

## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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October 4, 2005

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South 4<sup>th</sup> St. Artesia, NM 88210 Attn: Mr. Cy Cowan

RE:

Yates Petroleum Company: Sober 'BEZ' Federal # 1, located in Section 35 of Township-20-South, Range-29-East, 1980' FSL & 1980' FEL, Eddy County, New Mexico, NMPM

API # 30-015-34334

Dear Cy,

In regards to the above captioned well, the Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) will require (in part) that Yates Petroleum Company is to catch from the flow line drilling mud samples in order to determine the chloride levels while drilling through the Capitan reef. Please begin testing at a depth of @ 1900'-3250, every 100'.

The results of the chloride tests are to be submitted to the NMOCD District II office here in Artesia.

Please call if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Yours truly,

Bryan G. Arrant

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