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Mr. Mike Bratcher
NM OCD District 2
1301 W. Grand Avenue
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Dear Mr. Mike Bratcher

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests an extension period in order to accomplish closure of the following drilling pit:

WELL NAME	API NUMBER	SEC-TWN-RNG
Retriever BJH Federal #1	30-015-20869	22 - 26S - 25E

The extension is requested due to waiting on equipment.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated. Should you have any questions, you may contact me at 505-748-4500.

Sincerely,

Mike Stubblefield
Environmental Regulatory Agent

DENIED

Extension request can not be approved due to this site being situated in a water sensitive area.