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September 8, 2005

Mr. Chris Williams Oil Conservation Division 1625 N French Drive Hobbs, NM 88240

Dear Mr. Williams:

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests a six month extension of time be allowed to accomplish closure of the following drilling pit:

WELL NAME	API NUMBER	SEC-TWN-RNG
Atoka Bank State Unit 1	30-025-36594	17 24S 33E
Mescalero ARL State 2	30-025-37039	2 10S 32E

The extension is requested due to waiting on equipment for closure.

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

Sincerely,

Mike Stubblefield Regulatory Agent MARCH 12, 2006 Lay W. Wink