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September 23, 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		
Cleary AKC Federal 2	30-025-31926	17	228	32E
Lefty BEV State Com 1	30-025-36763	32	118	34E

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 YOUR EXTENSION WILL END 3/26/06. J Hayw. Wink