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Oil Conservation Division
1625 N. French Drive
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Dear Sir

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
Strait State Unit #5	30-025-38169	20 - 10S - 34E

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

Mike Stubblefield
Environmental Regulatory Agent

AN EXTENSION IS GRANTED UNTIL
5-21-08

Larry W. Wink