## STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION HOBBS DISTRICT OFFICE

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BRUCE KING GOVERNOR LARRY KEHOE SECRETARY

> Doyle Hartman P. O. Box 10426 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: Bates Well No. 3 Section 20, T-25-S, R-37-E Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hartman:

Form C-101, Notice of Intent to Drill, for the subject well shows a proposed depth (TVD) of 3500 feet to test the Yates formation in the Jalmat Pool. A study of the area by our geologist shows, however, the top of the Queen formation to be at approximately 3340 feet. It should not be necessary, therefore, to drill the well to 3500 feet to test the Yates.

Forms C-101 and C-102 for the subject well will be held without approval until we hear from you regarding the matter.

Yours very truly,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Jerry Sexton Supervisor, District 1

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