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To: Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs*
Director, Fish and Wildlife Service {Lead}
Director, Bureau of Land Management
Director, Geological Survey
Director, National Park Service
Director, Office of Surface Mining
Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation

From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management
Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance

Subject: Review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Yates
Petroleum Federal #1 Well, Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder
Basin National Grassland, Campbell County, Wyoming
(**ER 04/645**)(Agency due date: **October 6, 2004**)
(Extension Requested until **October 15, 2004**)

The Forest Service has requested the Department to review the Draft EIS for the subject project.
The web site for the Yates Federal #1 Well Draft EIS is at:
<http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/mbr/projects/mineral/index.shtml>

Would you please have your appropriate field-level office review the document from its particular jurisdiction or special expertise and provide its comments to the Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) in Denver, Colorado by **September 30, 2004**.

The Regional Director, FWS will prepare the comments for signature by the Regional Environmental Officer in Denver, Colorado by **October 8, 2004**. Please supply all signed paper comments, comments on disk, or comments being submitted electronically to the REO.

/s/ 8/26/04
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