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March 12, 1982

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. Richard Stamets

Re:

Eddy County, New Mexico

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Rule 104 Penns)
Waller June dies VICE PRESIDENT JOHN A YATES VICE PRESIDENT W. HARPER SEC.-TREAS. SERVATION DIVE. SANTA FE Unorthodox location - #3 Oakason "Ny" 1030
Federal, Sec. 34. T199

Dear Mr. Stamets:

Enclosed is the geologic information supporting our pending application for administrative approval of the unorthodox location of our proposed Oakason "NV" Federal #3 Well. The only offsetting operator other than Yates is Amoco Production Company, which has waived objections to the unorthodox location. I have enclosed a copy of their waiver.

We would appreciate it if you would consider this application at your earliest convenience. If you require further information, please contact me.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours very truly,

RANDY G. PATTERSON Land Department

Robert J. Laughlin

RJL/bh Enclosures

cc/w enc.: W. A. Gressett



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GEOLOGIC CONDITIONS
FOR
UNORTHODOX LOCATION
OF THE

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION #3 OAKASON "NV" FEDERAL 2030' FNL & 1650' FEL Section 34-19S-R24E

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests administrative approval for the unorthodox location of its proposed Oakason "NV" Federal #3 to be drilled 2030 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 34, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Eddy County, New Mexico. The North half of Section 34 would be dedicated to the well.

The necessity for this unorthodox location is based upon geologic and topographic conditions. The movement of the location from the orthodox 1980' FEL to the unorthodox 1650' FEL is based upon geologic conditions. Exhibits #2 and #3 and the written discussion pertaining to them address the geologic conditions. The movement of the location from the orthodox 1980' FNL to the unorthodox 2030' FNL was done at the request of the Bureau of Land Management. The BLM personnel believed that the 1980' FNL location was to close to a draw and requested that Yates move the location 50 feet to the South. Exhibit #4 pertains to the topographic conditions.

Exhibit #1 is a land plat showing the proposed location and its relationship to the surrounding acreage situation. Yellow denotes acreage in which Yates has full or partial operating rights. The proration unit is outlined in red.

Exhibit #2 is an isopach map showing the varying thickness of the Morrow Clastics (from the top of the Morrow Clastics to the pre-Morrow unconformity). Wells located along or close to the axes of Morrow Clastics "thicks" have a much better chance of encountering economically successful gas-productive Morrow channel sands. For example, the Oakason "NV" #1 and the Oakason "NV" #2 (both in Section 27 of T19S-R24E), which are located along the axis of the "thick", have encountered good gas-productive Morrow channel sands.

Exhibit #3 is an annotated excerpt from the Compensated

Neutron - Formation Density Log of the Yates #1 Oakason "NV" in
the South half of Section 27-19S-24E. Shown on this log are
the pertinent tops and isopach intervals picked by correlation.

Exhibit #4 is a topographic sheet showing the proposed location. It may be noted that the additional 50 feet from the North line of the section does move the location away from the draw.

In summary, the proposed unorthodox location would enable the borehole to penetrate the axis of the Morrow Clastics "thick" in the North half of Section 34. It is anticipated that penetration of the axis of this "thick" will increase the chances

of encountering one or more Morrow channel sands. In addition, by not drilling a direct offset to the Oakason "NV" 31 (SW/SE Section 27, T19S-R24E) chances of not penetrating the same sandbody that was found in that well, and which is now partially depleted, are improved. The movement of the location an additional 50 feet from the North line of the section was requested by the Bureau of Land Management for topographic reasons.

The above discussion of geologic and topographic conditions was written and Exhibits #2, #3 and #4 were prepared by Ray Beck. Exhibit #1 was prepared under his direction. Ray Beck is employed by Yates Petroleum Corporation as a geologist in Artesia, New Mexico, and has been accepted as an expert witness by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on numerous occasions.

Verification

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Ray Beck, being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says: that he has read and is familiar with the information and allegations set forth above and that the same are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

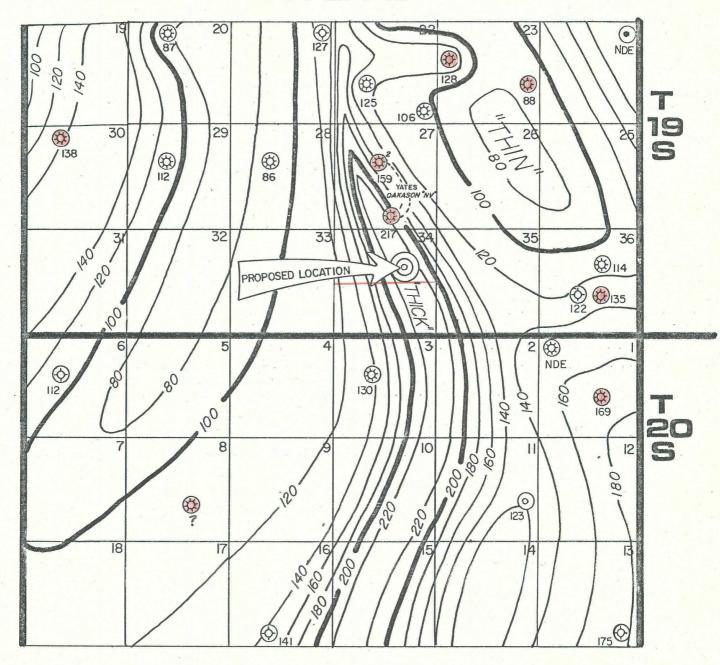
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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO AND ACKNOWLEDGED before me this 12th day of March, 1982.

My commission expires: June 27, 1984

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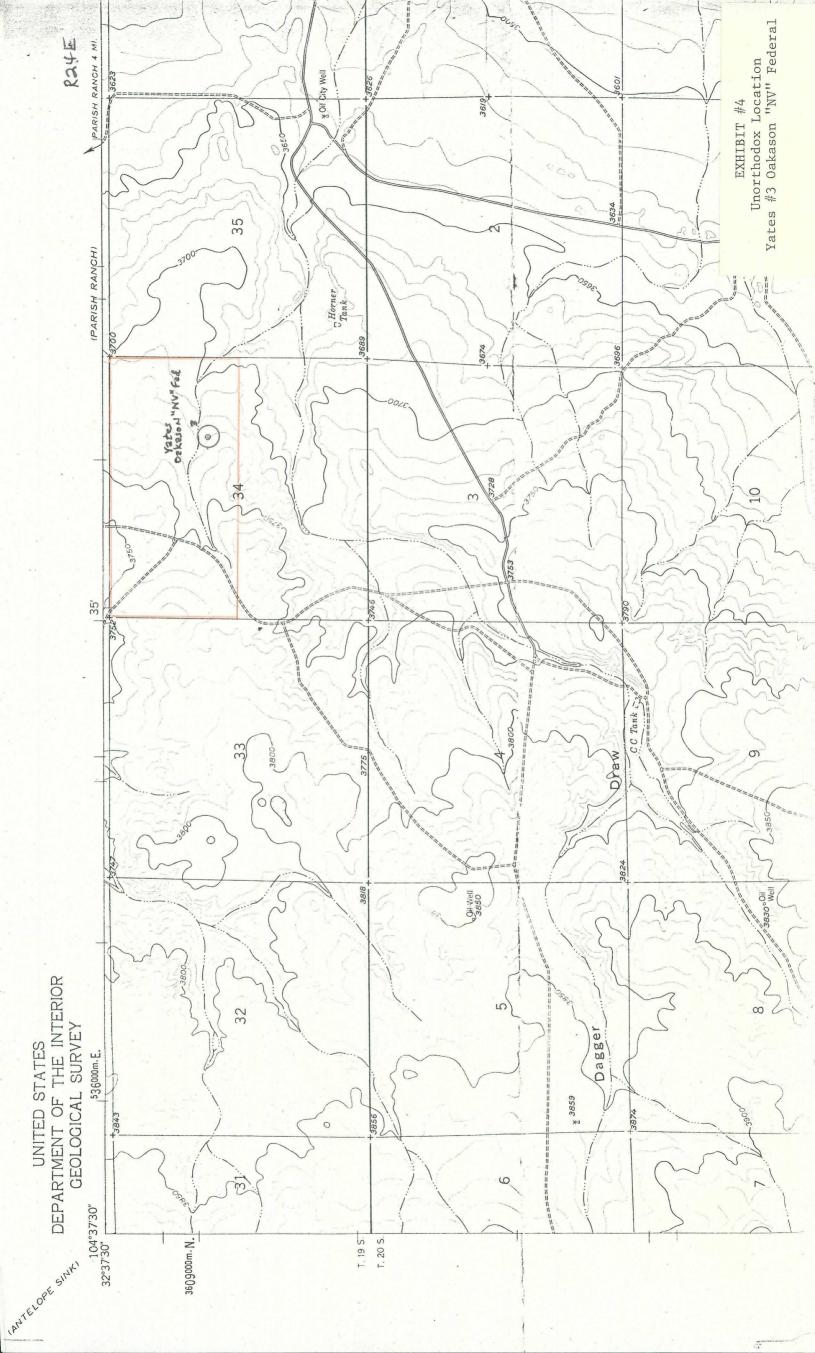
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- Producing From Horizons Other Than Morrow

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Telecopier # 505-746-6480

March 4, 1982

Re: Proposed Well

N/2 Section 34

T-19-S, R-24-E, N.H.P.M. - Eddy County, New Mexico

Tates Petroleum Corporation 207 South Fourth Street Artesia, VM 88210

Gentlemen:

Amoco Production Company hereby waives all objections to the unorthodox location of your proposed well being 1980' FNL and 1650' FEL of Section 34, T-19-S, R-24-E, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

Yours very truly,

Philip D. Yasquez

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