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HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Mark Fesmire, Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy,
Minerals and Natural Resources
1220 South Saint Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Case 13535

Re: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for approval of a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of the legal advertisement. Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that this matter be placed on the August 11, 2005 Examiner Hearing docket.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM
CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL
OF A UNIT AGREEMENT,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 13535

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APPLICATION

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION ("Yates"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application for an order approving its Ike State Exploratory Unit and in support of this application states:

1. The proposed Unit Area consists of 3016.04 acres, more or less, of State of New Mexico lands, situated in Lea County, New Mexico. The horizontal limits of said unit are described as follows:

Township 12 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 25: NE4, S2
Section 36: All

Township 12 South, Range 35 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 29: S2
Section 30: All
Section 31: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, E2W2
Section 32: All

2. The Unit Agreement has been approved by a sufficient percentage of the interest owners within the proposed Unit Area to provide effective control of unit operations.

3. The Applicant, Yates Petroleum Corporation, is designated as Unit Operator in said Unit Agreement and all oil and gas in all formations are unitized.

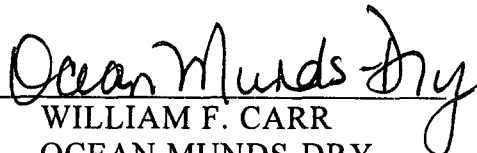
4. The unit boundaries are consistent and substantially supported by the geological limits of the unitized formations.

5. Said Unit Agreement and the unitized operation and management of the Unit Area will be in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste, and that it will protect the correlative rights of all parties concerned.

WHEREFORE, Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on August 11, 2005, that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that the Ike State Exploratory Unit be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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CORPORATION

CASE NO. 13535 :

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for approval of a Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Ike State Exploratory Unit from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation in an area comprising 3016.04 acres of State of New Mexico lands in Sections 25 and 36 in Township 12 South, Range 34 East, NMPM and Sections 29, 30, 31, and 32 in Township 12 South, Range 35 East, NMPM which is located approximately 10 miles west of Tatum, New Mexico.