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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

APPLICATION OF MESQUITE SWD, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 14979

# PRE-HEARING STATEMENT OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION, ABO PETROLEUM CORPORATION, AND MYCO INDUSTRIES, INC.

Abo Petroleum Corporation ("Abo"), Myco Industries, Inc. ("Myco"), and Yates Petroleum Corporation ("Yates") jointly submit this Pre-Hearing Statement as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### **APPEARANCES**

## **APPLICANT**

Mesquite SWD, Inc. P.O. Box 1478 Carlsbad, NM 88220

# **OPPONENTS**

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# STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Applicant Mesquite SWD, Inc. ("Mesquite") seeks an order approving the drilling and operation of a salt water disposal well, the Paduca Fed SWD #3, to be located in Unit Letter C, Section 23, Township 25 South, Range 32 East in Lea County. Abo and Myco are record owners of the federal lease in the NW/4 of Section 23 and Abo, Myco, and Yates own working interests pursuant to an operating agreement naming Yates as the designated operator. Abo, Myco and Yates oppose the application on the grounds that Mesquite's injection of produced water would detrimentally impact Yates' horizontal well drilling program and impair Abo's, Myco's and Yates' correlative rights.

#### PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS	ESTIMATED TIME	<b>EXHIBITS</b>
Robert Morrison (Landman)	Approx. 10 minutes	1
Sterling F. Fly III (Geologist)	Approx. 10 minutes	2
Margrethe F. Hotter (Petroleum Engineer)	Approx. 10 minutes	2

Abo, Myco and Yates reserve the right to call a rebuttal witness(es) if appropriate.

#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Abo, Myco and Yates are not aware of any procedural matters to be resolved prior to the hearing.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 25th day of April, 2013, I transmitted a true and correct copy of the foregoing Pre-Hearing Statement of Yates Petroleum Corporation, Abo Petroleum Corporation, and Myco Industries, Inc. via email to:

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