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Case 13122

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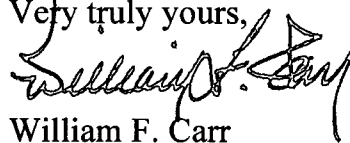
Oil Conservation Division

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

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,:

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 7, 2003 Examiner Hearing docket.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Robert Bullock
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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

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

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Oil Conservation Division
CASE NO. 13122

APPLICATION

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

1. The proposed Unit Area consists of 3200.00 acres, more or less, of State of New Mexico lands, situated in Eddy County, New Mexico. The horizontal limits of said unit are described as follows:

Township 11 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M.

Sections 27 through 29:	All
Sections 33 and 34:	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 the all formations are unitized.

4. The proposed Unit Area covers all, or substantially all, of the geological structures or anomaly involved.

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 7, 2003, that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that the Kris State Exploratory Unit be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEYS FOR YATES PETROLEUM
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CASE NO. 13122:

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for approval of a Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Kris State Exploratory Unit for an area comprising 3200.00 acres of State of New Mexico lands in Sections 27, 28, 29, 33, and 34, Township 11 South, Range 34 East, NMPM which is located approximately 8 miles North of Tatum, New Mexico.