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

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR POOL CREATION AND THE ADOPTION OF SPECIAL POOL RULES, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 13629

<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss. COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

William F. Carr, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Yates Petroleum Corporation, the Applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath, states that notice of the above-referenced Application was mailed to the interested parties shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto in accordance with Oil Conservation Division Rules, and that true and correct copies of the notice letter and proof of notice are attached hereto.

William F. Carr

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 30th day of December 2005 by

William F. Carr.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico

Case No. 13629 Exhibit No. 15 Submitted by:

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Hearing Date: <u>January 19, 2006</u>





December 22, 2005

CERTIFIED MAIL -- RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

New Mexico State Land Office Post Office Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148

Re: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for Pool Creation and the adoption of Special Pool Rules, Lea County, New Mexico.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Yates Petroleum Corporation has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking an order creating a new pool for the production of oil from the Permo Pennsylvanian formation and promulgating special pool rules and regulations on a temporary basis for this pool including provisions for 160-acre spacing and proration units and special well location requirements.

This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on January 19, 2006 at the Santa Fe office of the Oil Conservation Division located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases are required by Division Rule 1208.B to file a Pre-Hearing Statement at the Division's Santa Fe Office, four days in advance of a scheduled hearing but in no event later than the Thursday preceding the hearing date. This statement must include: the names of the parties and their attorneys; a concise statement of the case; the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing; the approximate time the party will need to present its case; and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

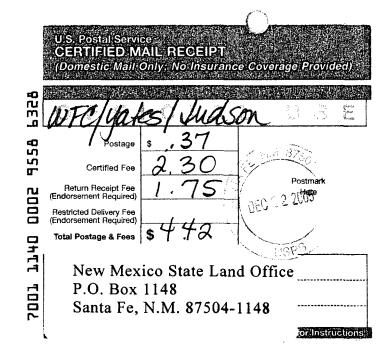
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ATTORNEY FOR YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Robert Bullock

Yates Petroleum Corporation



Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LEA)
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Joyce Clemens being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says that she is Advertisting Director of **THE LOVINGTON DAILY LEADER**, a daily newspaper of general paid circulation published in the English language at Lovington, Lea County, New Mexico; that said newspaper has been so published in such county continuously and uninterruptedly for a period in excess of Twenty-six (26) consecutive weeks next prior to the first publication of the notice hereto attached as hereinafter shown; and that said newspaper is in all things duly qualified to publish legal notices within the meaning of Chapter 167 of the 1937 Session Laws of the State of New Mexico.

Legal Notice

was published in a regular and entire issue of THE LOV
INGTON DAILY LEADER and not in any supplement thereof, for one (1) day _____, beginning with the issue of

December 24 _____, 2005 and ending with the issue
of ______ December 24 _____, 2005.

And that the cost of publishing said notice is the sum of
\$65.68 ______ which sum has been (Paid) as
Court Costs.

That the notice which is hereto attached, entitled

Subsoribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of December 2005

Debbie Schilling

Notary Public, Lea County, New Mexico My Commission Expires June 22, 2006

DIVISION SANTA FE NEW MEXICO The State of New Mexico through Conservation Division hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the Rules 906 and Regulations of the Division of the following public hearing to be held at 8:15 A.M. on January 19, 2006, in the Oil Conservation Division Hearing Room at 1220 South St. Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before an examiner duly appoint for the hearing. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qulified sign language interpreter. or any other form of auxil-