BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE	NO.	

APPLICATION

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of N.M.Stat.Ann. § 70-2-17, (1978), for an order pooling all mineral interests in the NE/4 of Section 21, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the NE/4 of Section 21, and Applicant has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill its Alto AOL Com No. 1 Well at an orthodox location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 21, and drill to a depth of approximately 8300 feet, more or less, to test any and all formations from the surface to the base of the Canyon formation, North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool.
- 3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain either voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from certain interest owners in the NE/4 of said Section 21.
- 4. Said pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

5. In order to permit the Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas

underlying the subject lands, all mineral interests should be pooled, and Applicant should be

designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner

of the Oil Conservation Division on October 13, 1994 and, after notice and hearing as required

by law, the Division enter its order pooling the lands, including provisions designating Yates

Petroleum Corporation operator of the NE/4 of said Section 21, and authorizing Applicant to

recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well, its costs of supervision while

drilling and after completion, including overhead charges, and imposing a risk factor for the risk

assumed by the Applicant in drilling, completing and equipping the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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