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## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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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

## **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 of the mineral interests in the SW/4 of Section 13, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Applicant owns or represents over 50% of the working interest in the SW/4 of said Section 13, and Applicant has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing or proration unit to its Bert "APB" No. 1 Well to be drilled as a wildcat well at a standard location in the SW/4 of said Section 13, to a depth sufficient to test any and all formations from the surface to the base of the Canyon formation.
- 3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain either voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from certain interest owners in the SW/4 of said Section 13.
- 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 April 6, 1995 and, after notice and hearing as

required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the lands, including provisions for

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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