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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. FEB 2 4 1998

SERVATION DIVISION

CASE NO. 1/934

AMENDED APPLICATION

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION ("Yates"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17, (1978), for an order pooling all mineral interests in all formations developed on 320-acre spacing underlying Lots 11, 12, 13, 14 and the SW/4 in all formations developed on 160-acre spacing underlying Lots 11, 12, 13 and 14 in all formations developed on 80-acre spacing underlying Lots 13 and 14 and in all formations developed on 40-acre spacing underlying Lot of irregular Section 2, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, and in support hereof states:

- 1. Yates is a working interest owner in the subject spacing or proration units in Section 2, and Yates has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Yates proposes to drill a well its Field "APK" State Com Well No. 3 at a standard location 3300 feet from the South line and 760 feet from the West line of said Section 2 to test all formations from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation.
- 3. Yates has sought and been unable to obtain either a voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from certain interest owners in the subject units in said Section 2.

4. Said pooling of interests and the drilling of the proposed well will avoid the

drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

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

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

designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that this amended application

be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on March 19, 1998,

and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order (1) approving

the drilling of the proposed well, and (2) pooling the subject spacing and proration units,

including provisions designating Yates operator of the well and spacing units, authorizing

Yates to recover its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including

overhead charges, and imposing a risk factor for the risk assumed by Yates in drilling,

completing and equipping the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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