

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES
PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. 12221

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Yates Petroleum Corporation, by its attorneys, and in support hereof, respectfully states:

1. Applicant is the operator of the following lands in Chaves County, New Mexico:

Township 6 South, Range 26 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 17: SE/4

containing 160 acres, more or less,

and proposes to drill its Getty "PS" 17 No. 2 Well at an orthodox location 1,980 feet from the south line and 660 feet from the east line (Unit I) of said Section 17 to a depth sufficient to test all formations from the surface down to the base of the Abo formation, at approximately 4,230 feet. Said lands are within the Pecos Slope Abo Pool.

2. A standard 160-acre proration unit comprising SE/4 of said Section 17, or such lesser portion thereof as is reasonably shown to be productive of oil and gas, should be dedicated to such well for all formations which may be developed on 160-acre

spacing, and a standard 40-acre proration unit comprising NE/4 SE/4 of said Section 17, or such lesser portion thereof as is reasonably shown to be productive of oil and gas, should be dedicated to such well for all formations which may be developed on 40-acre spacing.

3. There are interest owners in the unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.

4. Applicant should be designated the operator of the well and the proration unit.

5. To avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense, his just and fair share of the oil and gas in said unit, all mineral interests, whatever they may be, should be pooled.

6. That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs, plus an additional 200% thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.

7. Applicant should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of a reasonable supervision charge for drilling and producing wells attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner.

8. The approval of this Application will afford Applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of oil and gas, will prevent economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays:

A. That this Application be set for hearing before an examiner and that notice of said hearing be given as required by law;

B. That upon hearing the Division enter its order pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, from the surface down to the base of the Abo formation, underlying SE/4 Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 26 East, N.M.P.M., Chaves County, New Mexico, as to all formations which may be developed on 160-acre spacing, and in all formations which may be developed on 40-acre spacing underlying NE/4 SE/4 of said Section 17, or such lesser portion as may be productive of oil and gas and dedicated to Applicant's well;

C. And for such other and further relief as may be just in the premises.

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