

OIL CONSERVATION DIV.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY)
 THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE)
 PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:)
)
 APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM)
 CORPORATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX)
 GAS WELL LOCATION, CHAVES COUNTY,)
 NEW MEXICO)

CASE NO. 12,283

ORIGINAL

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

BEFORE: MICHAEL E. STOGNER, Hearing Examiner

November 18th, 1999

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, MICHAEL E. STOGNER, Hearing Examiner, on Thursday, November 18th, 1999, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Porter Hall, 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter No. 7 for the State of New Mexico.

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A P P E A R A N C E S

FOR THE DIVISION:

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1 WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at
2 8:54 a.m.:

3 EXAMINER STOGNER: At this time I will call Case
4 Number 12,283.

5 MR. CARROLL: Application of Yates Petroleum
6 Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves
7 County, New Mexico.

8 EXAMINER STOGNER: At this time I'll call for
9 appearances.

10 This matter was advertised in the absence of
11 objection that this matter will be taken under advisement.
12 This stemmed from two items: the recent rule changes to
13 statewide locations and an administrative application filed
14 by Yates Petroleum, which was received on October the 12th,
15 1999.

16 And based upon their application, this matter was
17 docketed to today's hearing to perhaps take in any evidence
18 that might be needed to help justify what the Division, as
19 these new rule changes take in place -- to help guide us of
20 just what is going to be acceptable for these unorthodox
21 locations and the infill, especially in the deep southeast
22 gas developed area -- that's a very drastic change down
23 there -- and due to the number of applications, most of
24 which will be continued to be set for hearing such as this,
25 until an established procedure or at least we get some sort

1 of guidelines out there.

2 Since there's no other testimony, then I will
3 take this matter under consideration for the re-entry of
4 this particular well, and not for the deepening but for the
5 re-entry only, and to test all formations down to the
6 original depth. Should it be deepened, that would be a
7 whole new matter.

8 With that, then this matter will be taken under
9 advisement.

10 (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at
11 8:55 a.m.)

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16 I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
17 a true and correct copy of the proceedings to
18 the examiner hearing of Case No. 12283,
19 heard by me on 18 Nov. 1959.

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Examiner
Of Conservation Division

CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

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

I, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter and Notary Public, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing transcript of proceedings before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that I transcribed my notes; and that the foregoing is a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative or employee of any of the parties or attorneys involved in this matter and that I have no personal interest in the final disposition of this matter.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL November 22nd, 1999.



STEVEN T. BRENNER
 CCR No. 7

My commission expires: October 14, 2002