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### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 6284 Order No. R-5790

APPLICATION OF HARVEY E. YATES COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

## BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 2, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 25th day of August, 1978, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

# FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Harvey E. Yates Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its Welch "A" Well No. 1 at a point 480 feet from the North line and 500 feet from the West line of Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, to test the Morrow formation, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That the W/2 of said Section 9 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) That said unorthodox location results from the re-entry and proposed deepening of an old well previously drilled to the Strawn formation.

(5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

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(6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the subject pool, will prevent the 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.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow formation is hereby approved for the Harvey E. Yates Company Welch "A" Well No. 1 located at a point 480 feet from the North line and 500 feet from the West line of Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(2) That the W/2 of said Section 9 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 5-Inly JOE D. RAMEY, Director

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