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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. 7989 Order No. R-7379

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION 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 October 26, 1983, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stonger.

NOW, on this <u>2nd</u> day of November, 1983, 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, Yates Petroleum Corporation, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its Skuzie "XL" Com Well No. 1 located 660 feet from the North line and 1,980 feet from the East line of Section 11, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, to test all formations from the top of the Wolfcamp through the Morrow formations, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That the E/2 of said Section 11 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.

(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 affected pools, 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 the application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location to test all formations from the top of the Wolfcamp through the Morrow formations is hereby approved for its Skuzie "XL" Well No. 1 located at a point 660 feet from the North line and 1,980 feet from the East line of Section 11, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(2) That the E/2 of said Section 11 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 amer JOE D. RAMEY Director

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