

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. 8431
Order No. R-7776

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 8 a.m. on December 19, 1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 9th day of January, 1985, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

- (1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) The applicant, Yates Petroleum Corporation, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 600 feet from the South and East lines of Section 8, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, to test the Morrow formation, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) The S/2 of said Section 8 is to be dedicated to the well to form a standard 320-acre gas proration and spacing unit within the Morrow formation.
- (4) A well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.
- (5) No offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

(6) Approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the affected 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 THAT:

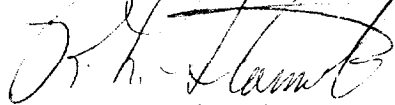
(1) The application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 600 feet from the South and East lines of Section 8, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(2) The S/2 of said Section 8 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.

(3) 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.

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R. L. STAMETS,
Director

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