

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

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

CASE NO. 9510
ORDER NO. R-8808

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 8:15 a.m. on October 26, 1988, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 21st day of December, 1988, 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 for its New Deal "AFD" Federal Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the North line and 760 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 6, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, to test all formations and/or pools from the top of the Wolfcamp formation to the base of the Mississippian formation (which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Eagle Creek Permo-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Undesignated Eagle Creek-Strawn Gas Pool and the Undesignated Richard Knob Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool), Eddy County, New Mexico.

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(3) Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, the SE/4 NW/4, and the S/2 NE/4 of said Section 6 is to be dedicated to the well forming a standard 324.66-acre gas spacing and proration unit.

(4) A well at the proposed unorthodox location will better enable the 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 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 THAT:

(1) The application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location for all formations from the top of the Wolfcamp formation to the base of the Mississippian formation (which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Eagle Creek Permo-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Undesignated Eagle Creek-Strawn Gas Pool and the Undesignated Richard Knob Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool), is hereby approved for its New Deal "AFD" Federal Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the North line and 760 feet from the East line of Section 6, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

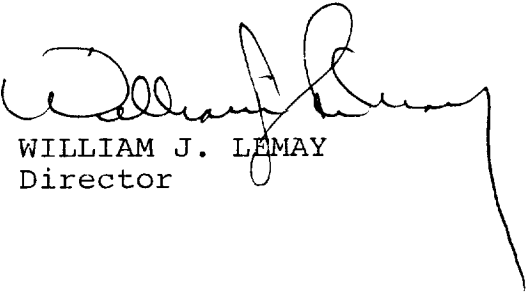
(2) Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, the SE/4 NW/4, and the S/2 NE/4 of said Section 6 shall be dedicated to the well forming a standard 324.66-acre gas spacing and proration unit.

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

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

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WILLIAM J. LEMAY
Director

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