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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL

| | Operator Name and Address Yates Petroleum Corporation | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------|--|--|
| 105 South Fourt Artesia, NM 8 | | API Number 30-5-63554 | | |
| Property Code 30479 | Property Name Salem | Well No. 003 | | |

Surface Location

| UL or Lot | Section | Township | Range | Lot Idn | Feet From | N/S Line | Feet From | E/W Line | County |
|-----------|---------|----------|-------|---------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|--------|
| L | 3 | 08S | 26E | | 1980 | S | 660 | W | Chaves |

Proposed Pools

UNDES. FOOR RANCH; PRE-PERMIAN, N.

| Work Type New Well | Well Type Gas | Cable/Rotary | Lease Type Private | Ground Level Elevation 3765 |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Multiple | Proposed Depth | Formation | Contractor | Spud Date |
| N | 5555 | Strawn | 000000000000000000000000000000000000000 | 3/26/2003 |

Proposed Casing and Cement Program

| Туре | Hole Size | Casing Size | Casing Weight/ft | Setting Depth | Sacks of Cement | Estimated TOC |
|------|-----------|-------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Surf | 12.25 | 9.625 | 36 | 950 | 500 | 0 |
| Prod | 8.75 | 5.5 | 15.5 | 5555 | 700 | 0 |

Casing/Cement Program: Additional Comments

CEMENT TO COVER ALL OIL, GAS AND WATERBEARING ZONES. YPC proposes to drill/test the Strawn/intermediate formations. Approx. 950 ft. of surface casing will be set/cemented. If commercial, production casing will be run/cemented, will perforate/stimulate as needed for production. MUD PROGRAM: 0-950 ft. FW Gel/Paper/LCM; 950-4050 ft. Brine; 4050-5555 ft. Starch/Salt Gel.

Proposed Blowout Prevention Program

| Туре | Working Pressure | Test Pressure | Manufacturer |
|------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Double Ram | 2000 | 2000 | |

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Electronically Signed By: Robert Asher

Title: Regulatory Technician

Date: 3/25/2003 Phone: 505-748-4364

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|---|----------------------------|
| Electronically Approved By | : Bryan Arrant |
| Title: Geologist | |
| Approval Date: 3/25/2003 | Expiration Date: 3/25/2004 |
| Conditions of Approval: There are conditions. See At | itached. |

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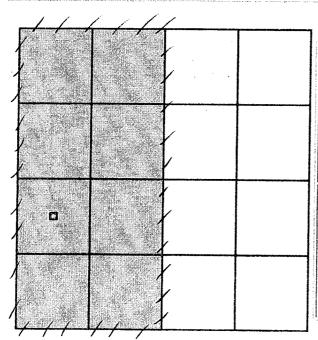
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WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

| API Number 30-5-63554 | Pool Name UNDES. FOOR RANCH; PRE-PERMIAN, N. | Pool Code |
|--------------------------|--|----------------|
| Property Code 30479 | Property Name Salem | Well No. 003 |
| OGRID No. 25575 | Operator Name Yates Petroleum Corporation | Elevation 3765 |

Surface And Bottom Hole Location

| UL or Lot L | Section 3 | Township 08S | Range 26E | Lot Idn | Feet From 1980 | N/S Line S | Feet From | E/W Line W | County Chaves |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------|-------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|------------------|
| | ed Acres 0.01 | Joint or | Infill | Consoli | dation Code | | Order | No. | 1 |



OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Electronically Signed By: Robert Asher

Title: Regulatory Technician

Date: 3/25/2003

SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.

Electronically Signed By: Herschel L. Jones

Date of Survey: 3/24/2003 Certificate Number: 3640

APD Conditions Of Approval

Operator: 25575 Yates Petroleum Corporation

Well: Salem 003

| an consumante | OCD Reviewer | Condition | |
|---------------|--------------|--|--|
| diam'r. | BARRANT | Operator to notify the OCD spud and time to witness the water protection string. | |