December 22, 1988

Energy and Minerals Department Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Pase 9580

Re:

Slinkard "UR" No. 3 Well

Township 20 South, Range 29 East, NMPM

Section 12: S/2 Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Enclosed for filing, please find three copies of the Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an Unorthodox Well Location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Also enclosed is an extra copy of the Application which we would appreciate your returning to us in the enclosed stamped self-addressed envelope after inserting the docket number.

Although this application qualifies for administrative approval and we will submit an application therefor, we would appreciate your setting this matter for hearing before an Examiner on January 18, 1988, in case any problems develop.

Thank you.

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Sincerely yours,

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cc w/enclosure: Ms. Janet Richardson

Mr. Ray Beck

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DEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION,

case no. 9580

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Yates Petroleum Corporation, by its attorneys, and in support hereof, respectfully states:

1. Applicant is the operator of the following lands in Eddy County, New Mexico:

Township 20 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 12: S/2

containing 320 acres, more or less,

and proposes to drill its Slinkard "UR" No. 3 Well at a point located 1,980 feet from the south line and 990 feet from the west line of said Section 12 to a depth sufficient to test all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation, at approximately 12,400 feet.

2. The Applicant seeks an exception to the well location requirements of Rule 104 of the Oil Conservation Division to permit the drilling of the well at the above mentioned unorthodox

location for all formations from the top of the Wolfcamp formation to the base of the Morrow formation which may be developed on 320-acre spacing.

- 3. A standard 320-acre proration unit comprising the S/2 of said Section 12 should be dedicated to such well or to such lesser portion thereof as is reasonably shown to be productive of oil and gas.
- 4. The approval of this Application will afford Applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of oil and gas, will prevent 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.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays:

- A. That this Application be set for hearing before an examiner and that notice of said hearing be given as required by law.
- B. That upon hearing the Division enter its order granting Applicant permission to drill its Slinkard "UR" No. 3 Well at a point 1,980 feet from the south line and 990 feet from the west line of said Section 12, and to dedicate the S/2 of Section 12 to said well for production from all formations which may be developed on 320-acre spacing.

C. And for such other and further relief as may be just in the premises.

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

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