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September 14, 1993

HAND DELIVERED

Mr. William J. LeMay
Oil Conservation Division
State Land Office Building
310 Old Santa Fe Trail, 2nd Floor
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Application of Conoco Inc. and
Marathon Oil Company for Exceptions to Rule 5(b) of
the Special Rules and Regulations of the South
Dagger Draw Upper Pennsylvanian Pool (Division
Order R-5353), or in the Alternative, for the
Creation of a New Pool with the Adoption of Special
Rules for said Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Conoco Inc. and Marathon Oil Company,
please find enclosed our referenced application which we
request be set for hearing on the next available
Examiner's docket now scheduled for October 7, 1993.

By copy of this letter and application, sent
certified mail, we are notifying all interested parties
of their right to appear at the hearing and participate
in this case, including the right to present evidence
either in support of or in opposition to the application
and that failure to appear at the hearing may preclude
them from any involvement in this case at a later date.

Mr. William J. LeMay
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Pursuant to the Division's Memorandum 2-90, all parties are hereby informed that if they appear in this case, then they are requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division not later than 4:00 PM on Friday, August 27, 1993, with a copy delivered to the undersigned.

Also enclosed is our proposed advertisement of this case for the NMOCD docket.

Very truly yours,



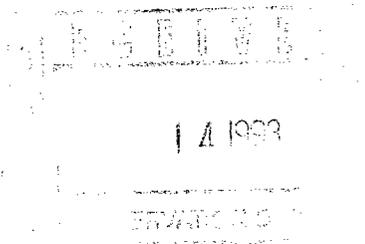
W. Thomas Kellahin

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Enclosure

cc: Conoco Inc. and Marathon Oil Company,
and
By Certified Mail - Return Receipt
All Parties Listed on Exhibit "B" of Application

PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

CASE 10596 Application of Conoco Inc. and Marathon Oil Company for Exceptions to Rule 5(b) of the Special Rules and Regulations of the South Dagger Draw Upper Pennsylvanian Pool (Division Order R-5353), or in the Alternative, for the Creation of a New Pool with the Adoption of Special Rules for said Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicants seek exceptions to Rule 5(b) of Order R-5353 thereby authorizing simultaneous dedication of both gas wells and oil wells to the same spacing unit with Sections 34, 35, 36 T20S, R24E and Sections 34, 35, 36 of T20-1/2S, R23E, Eddy County, New Mexico. In the alternative, Applicants seeks the contraction of the South Dagger Draw Upper Pennsylvanian Pool and the concomitant creation of a new pool for the described acreage with the adoption of Special Rules and Regulations including those set forth in Order R-5353 but modified to allow simultaneous dedication of spacing units to multiple gas and oil wells and establishment of appropriate allowables therefor. Said area is located approximately 10 miles southeast from Hope, New Mexico.

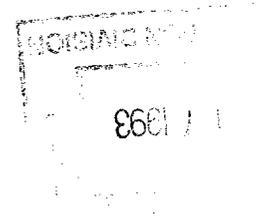


BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

APPLICATION OF CONOCO INC. AND
MARATHON OIL COMPANY FOR EXCEPTIONS
TO RULE 5(b) OF THE SPECIAL RULES
AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH DAGGER
DRAW UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN POOL
(DIVISION ORDER R-5353), OR IN THE
ALTERNATIVE, FOR THE CREATION OF A
NEW POOL WITH THE ADOPTION OF
SPECIAL RULES FOR SAID POOL,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



No. 10848

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

COMES NOW CAMPBELL, CARR, BERGE & SHERIDAN, P.A., and hereby
enters its appearance in the above referenced case on behalf of Yates Petroleum
Corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

CAMPBELL, CARR, BERGE
& SHERIDAN, P.A.,

By: William F. Carr

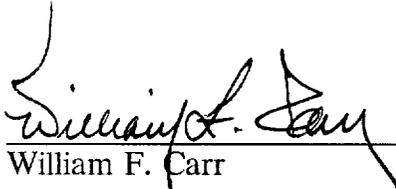
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on this 17th day of September, 1993, I have caused to be mailed a copy of our Entry of Appearance in the above-captioned case to:

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William F. Carr

**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. 10848

APPLICATION OF CONOCO INC. AND
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AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH DAGGER
DRAW UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN POOL
AS PROMULGATED BY (DIVISION ORDER R-5353),
OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR THE
CREATION OF A NEW POOL WITH THE
ADOPTION OF SPECIAL RULES FOR SAID POOL,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Prehearing Statement is submitted by Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P.A.,
as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

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Marathon Oil Company _____

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

(Please make a concise statement of what is being sought with this application and the reasons therefore.)

OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement.)

Yates Petroleum Corporation will appear and present evidence in opposition to the creation of a new pool within the South Dagger Draw Upper Penn Pool in what applicants have defined as a Transition Area and the promulgation of special pool rules therefore including the proposed limitation on gas allowables. Yates supports a pool wide exception to Rule 5(b) of the General Rules and Regulations for Associated Oil and Gas pools (Order No. R-5353).

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES
(Name and expertise)

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

OPPOSITION

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EXHIBITS

D'nese Fly, Geologist

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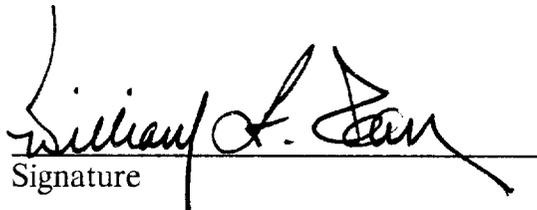
Pinson McWhorter, Engineer

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

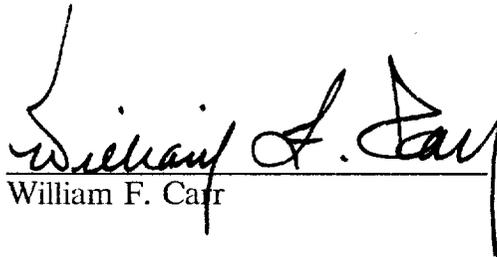
(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to hearing)


Signature

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I hereby certify that on this 15th day of October, 1993, I have caused to be mailed a copy of our Pre-Hearing Statement in the above-captioned case to:

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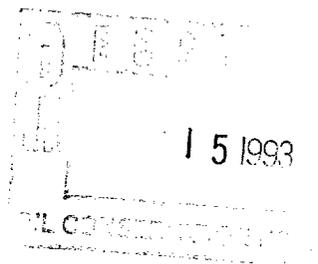
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October 15, 1993

HAND-DELIVERED

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Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy,
Minerals and Natural Resources
State Land Office Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503



Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 10848
Application of Conoco Inc. and Marathon Oil Company for exception to Rule 5(b) of the Special Rules and Regulations of the South Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool as promulgated by Division Order No. R-5353, as amended, or in the alternative, for the creation of a new pool with the adoption of special rules for said pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed is a Subpoena Duces Tecum which we would appreciate the Division executing for Yates Petroleum Corporation in the above-referenced case.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

WFC:mlh

Enclosures

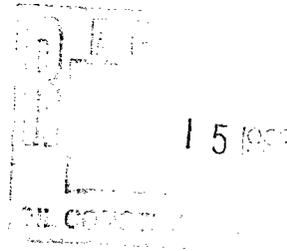
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NO. R-5353, AS AMENDED, OR IN THE
ALTERNATIVE, FOR THE CREATION
OF A NEW POOL WITH THE ADOPTION
OF SPECIAL RULES FOR SAID POOL,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



CASE NO. 10848

SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM

TO: CONOCO INC.
c/o W. Thomas Kellahin
Kellahin & Kellahin
117 North Guadalupe Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Pursuant to the power invested in this Division, you are commanded to appear and produce at 8:15 a.m., October 21, 1993 at the offices of the Oil Conservation Division, State Land Office Building, 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 and make available for copying all the following documents under the possession or control of Conoco Inc., for all Conoco operated wells in the South Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool in Sections 34 and 35, Township 20 South Range 24 East:

1. Resistivity logs, e.g., Dual Latrolog
2. Porosity logs, e.g., Compensated Neutron-Litho-Density
3. Mudlogs

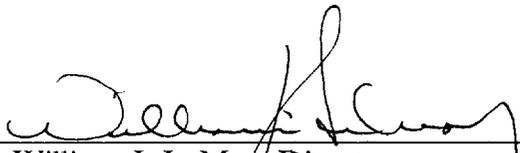
4. Bottom-hole pressure surveys
5. Drillstem tests
6. Chronological reports to include details of:
 - a. Perforating and perforation locations
 - b. Stimulation fluids, volumes, rates, and pressures for each treated interval
 - c. Swabbing, flowing and/or pumping results for each interval that was perforated and tested. Pre and post-stimulation results as applicable.

INSTRUCTIONS

This Subpoena Duces Tecum seeks all information available to you or in your possession, custody or control from any source, wherever situated, including but not limited to, information from any file, record, document, employees, former employees counsel and former counsel. It is directed to each person to whom such information is a matter of personal knowledge.

When used herein, "you" or "your" refers to the person or entity to whom this Subpoena Duces Tecum is addressed to include all of his or its attorneys, officers, agents, employees, directors or representatives, officials, departments, divisions, sub-divisions, subsidiaries, or predecessors.

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

By: 
William J. LeMay, Director

ISSUED this 18 day of October, 1993 at Santa Fe, New Mexico.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



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December 3, 1993

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RE: CASE NO. 10848
ORDER NO. R-10028

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Division order recently entered in the subject case.

Sincerely,


Sally E. Martinez
Administrative Secretary

cc: BLM - Carlsbad
William Carr
James Bruce

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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DRAW-UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN POOL, ETC.,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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CASE NO. 10,848

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM
CORPORATION FOR AMENDMENT OF SPECIAL
RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH
DAGGER DRAW-UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN
ASSOCIATED POOL (DIVISION ORDER NO.
R-5353), EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 10,869

APPLICATION OF CONOCO INC. TO AMEND
RULE 6 OF THE SPECIAL RULES AND
REGULATIONS FOR THE SOUTH DAGGER DRAW-
UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN POOL (DIVISION
ORDER NO. R-5353), AND POOL EXTENSION,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 10,881

**ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AND
CONSOLIDATED PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P.
as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

OPPOSITION

Nearburg Producing Company is an operator and working interest owner in the subject pool, and hereby enters its appearance in this case.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

Gene Davis
(Geologist)

Possible witness

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Respectfully submitted,

HINKLE, COX, EATON, COFFIELD
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Entry of Appearance and
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10,881
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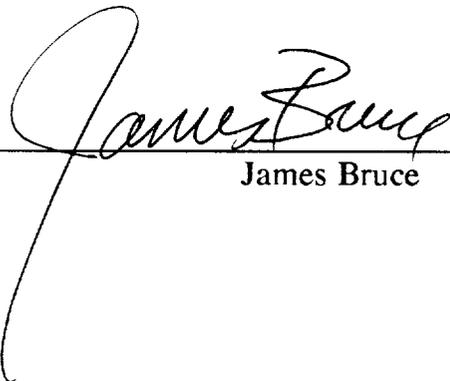
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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance and Pre-Hearing Statement was mailed to the following counsel of record, this 26th day of November, 1993, by first-class mail, postage prepaid.

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APPLICATION OF CONOCO INC. AND MARATHON OIL COMPANY FOR EXCEPTIONS TO RULE 5(B) OF THE SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH DAGGER DRAW-UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN ASSOCIATED POOL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. CASE NO. 10848

APPLICATION OF CONCCO INC. TO AMEND RULE 6 AND RULE 5(b) OF THE SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH DAGGER DRAW-UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN ASSOCIATED POOL EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. CASE NO. 10881

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION TO AMEND RULE 5(b) OF THE SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH DAGGER DRAW-UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN ASSOCIATED POOL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. CASE NO. 10869

CONSOLIDATED
PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by CONOCO INC. as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

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APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

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Nearburg Producing Company
Marathon Oil Company

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STATEMENT OF THE CASES

APPLICANT CONOCO:

The South Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Associated Pool ("the Pool") is an associated oil and gas pool the current rules for which provide for 320-acre proration and spacing units with the option for multiple oil wells BUT preclude the simultaneous dedication of both oil and gas wells to the same spacing unit (Rule 5(b)). In addition, the current GOR the pool is 10,000 to 1 which results in a maximum gas allowable per unit of 14,000 MCFGPD (Rule 6).

While, the current maximum GOR a spacing unit in the Pool is 10,000 to 1, the current average producing GOR of all wells that qualify to be classified as oil wells under current pool rules is approximately 4,500 to 1 GOR which amounts to 6,300 MCFGPD.

In order to prevent excessive premature drainage of the gas cap and to conserve recoverable oil reserves, Conoco proposes in Case 10881 that Rule 5(b) and Rule 6 of the Pool rules be amended to allow simultaneous dedication of gas and oil wells to the same spacing unit if the Pool's current GOR is reduced to 4,500 to 1.

Conoco is opposed to Case 10869 in which Yates Petroleum Corporaiton is seeking simply to amend Rule 5(b) without correspondingly reducing the current GOR set forth in Rule 6.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

CONOCO

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
David Scott (landman)	5-10 min.	est. 3 exhibits
Mark Majcher (P.E.)	60 min.	est. 10 exhibits
Bill Hardy (geologist)	60 Min.	est. 10 exhibits

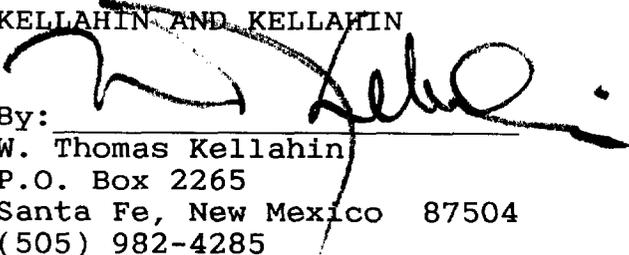
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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Conoco and Marathon propose that their joint application in Case 10848 be dismissed without prejudice.

Conoco proposes that Case 10881 and Case 10869 be consolidated for purposes of testimony.

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Re: Case No. 10,848

Dear Florene:

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Thank you.

Very truly yours,

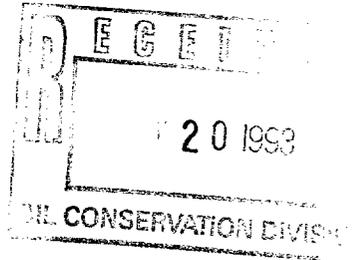
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Fran Sowers, Secretary
to James Bruce

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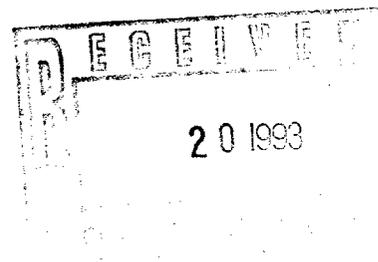
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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

OTHER PARTY

Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. is an operator and working interest owner in the Dagger Draw area.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

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- No Witnesses -

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

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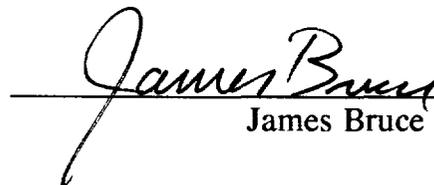


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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Pre-Hearing Statement was transmitted via facsimile transmission to W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq., Kellahin & Kellahin, 117 N. Guadalupe, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501, this 20th day of October, 1993.



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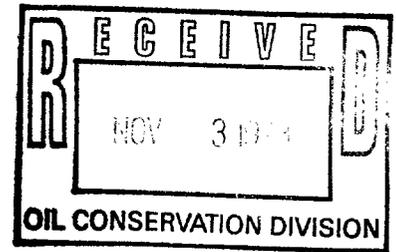
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HAND-DELIVERED



William J. LeMay, Director
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Re: Oil Conservation Division Case No. 10848:
Application of Conoco Inc. and Marathon Oil Company for exception to Rule 5(b) of the Special Rules and Regulations of the South Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool as promulgated by Division Order No. R-5353, as amended, or in the alternative, for the creation of a new pool with the adoption of special rules for said pool, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Yates Petroleum Corporation hereby requests that the hearing on the above-referenced application be continued from November 4, 1993 to the Examiner hearing scheduled for December 2, 1993.

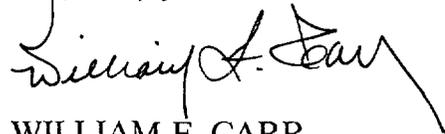
As the Division is aware, this case involves a proposed change in the rules for the South Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool in which Yates is a principal operator. Accordingly, Yates will be affected by any change in these pool rules and will participate in this hearing. Although we sought a subpoena on October 15th for certain data on wells operated by Conoco, it appears Conoco and Yates will voluntarily exchange information to be utilized in evaluating the current and proposed pool rules. This data has not yet been exchanged and it is impossible for Yates to be fully prepared for a hearing on November 4, 1993.

William J. LeMay, Director
Oil Conservation Division
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On October 26, 1993 Yates also filed an application seeking a change in the Special Rules and Regulations for the South Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool. This case is included on the December 2, 1993 Examiner hearing docket. To permit all applications concerning these rules to be heard at one time, Yates requests that the Conoco/Marathon application in Case 10848 also be set on December 2, 1993.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



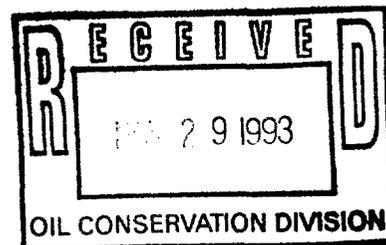
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NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF CONOCO INC. AND
MARATHON OIL COMPANY FOR EXCEPTION
TO RULE 5(b) OF THE SPECIAL RULES AND
REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH DAGGER DRAW-UPPER
PENNSYLVANIAN POOL AS PROMULGATED
BY DIVISION ORDER NO. R-5353,
AS AMENDED, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE,
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THE ADOPTION OF SPECIAL RULES FOR SAID POOL,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. CASE NO. 10848

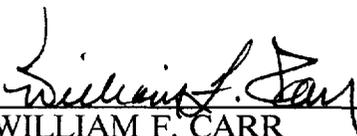


ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

COMES NOW CAMPBELL, CARR, BERGE & SHERIDAN, P.A., and hereby
enters its appearance in the above referenced case on behalf of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

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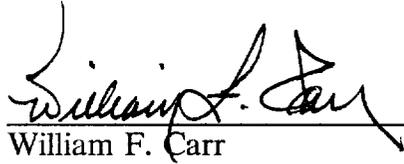
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I hereby certify that on this 24th day of November, 1993, I have caused to be mailed a copy of our Entry of Appearance in the above-captioned case to:

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**



IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
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EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Prehearing Statement is submitted by Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P.A.,
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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

(Please make a concise statement of what is being sought with this application and the reasons therefore.)

OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement.)

Yates Petroleum Corporation supports Conoco's request to amend the Special Rules and Regulations of the South Dagger-Draw Upper Pennsylvanian Associated Pool to delete Rule 5(b) thereby authorizing simultaneous dedication of both gas wells and oil wells to the same spacing unit. Yates will present testimony in opposition to the reduction in the limiting Gas Oil Ratio for this pool.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES
(Name and expertise)

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

OPPOSITION

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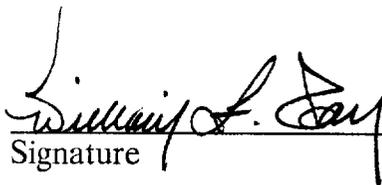
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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to hearing)

Yates Petroleum Corporation will request that this case be consolidated for hearing with Cases 10868 and 10881.


Signature