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#### MULTI-POINT SURFACE USE AND OPERATIONS PLAN YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Grid Iron BLI Federal #4 330' FNL and 330' FWL, Unit D (NW/NW/4) Section 7-T12S-R27E Chaves County, New Mexico

This plan is submitted with Form 3160-3, Application for Permit to Drill, covering the above described well. The purpose of this plan is to describe the location of the proposed well, the proposed construction activities and operations plan, the magnitude of the surface disturbance involved and the procedures to be followed in rehabilitating the surface after completion of the operations, so that a complete appraisal can be made of the environmental effect associated with the operations.

#### 1. EXISTING ROADS:

Exhibit A is a portion of the BLM map showing the well and roads in the vicinity of the proposed location. The proposed wellsite is located approximately 20 miles southeast of Roswell, New Mexico and the access route to the location is indicated in red and green on Exhibit A.

#### DIRECTIONS:

Go east of Roswell, NM on Highway 380 for approximately 11.2 miles to NM 409. Turn right (south) and continue for approximately 6.5 miles to Wichita Road. Turn left onto Wichita Road and continue south for approximately 2.1 miles. Turn left (east) here onto existing lease road with a cattle guard and locked gates. Gates must remain closed and locked at all times. Combination to lock is 2112. Continue east on lease road for approximately 1 mile. Turn left here and follow lease road north for approximately 1 mile. Turn right here and follow lease road for go approximately .5 of a mile. From here follow lease road to the northeast for approx. .7 of a mile to the P/A'd Touchdown BCF #2 well location. From here continue east on lease road for approximately .1 of a mile while crossing a cattleguard. The new access road will start here going south for approximately .4 of a mile to the southwest corner of the proposed well location.

#### 1. PLANNED ACCESS ROAD:

- A. The proposed existing access road is approximately .4 of a mile in length from the point of origin to the southwest corner of the drilling pad.
- B The new access road will consist of approximately 40 feet coming off the existing access road to the northeast corner of the well location. The new road is bladed with drainage on both sides. One traffic turnout may be built if it is needed.
- C The route of the road is visible.
- D Existing roads will be maintained in the same or better condition.
- 3. LOCATION OF EXISTING WELL:
  - A. There is drilling activity within a one-mile radius of the well site.
  - B. Exhibit D shows existing wells within a one-mile radius of the proposed well site.
- 4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES:
  - A. There are production facilities on this lease at the present time. Production from this well will be taken via 2" welded Schedule 40 steel buried pipeline to the Football BHL #2H. This flowline will have a working pressure of 200 psi and a volume of 200 bpd. The entire length of this pipeline will be 2329' with 2112.9' being on private surface and 176.4' will be federal surface. Note attached exhibit for placement of production equipment on the well location.

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- B. If the well is productive oil, a gas or diesel self-contained unit will be used to provide the necessary power until an electric line can be built, if needed. Power should not be required if the well is productive of gas.
- C. Pipeline Right-Of-Way has been applied under this APD.

## 5. LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY:

- A. It is planned to drill the proposed well with a fresh water system. The water will be obtained from commercial sources and will be hauled to the location by truck over the existing and proposed roads shown in attached exhibits.
- 6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

The dirt contractor will be responsible for finding a source of material for construction of road and pad and will obtain any permits that may be required.

- 7. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL:
  - A. Drill cuttings will be collected in tanks until hauled to an approved disposal system being Gandy/Marley, Lea Land Farm or CRI.
  - B. A closed loop system will be constructed, maintained and closed in compliance with the State of New Mexico, Energy and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division—the "Pit Rule" 19.15.17 NMAC.
  - C. Drilling fluids will be removed after drilling and completions are completed.
  - D. Water produced during operations will be collected in tanks until hauled to an approved disposal system, or separate disposal application will be submitted.
  - E. Oil produced during operations will be stored in tanks until sold.
  - F. Current laws and regulations pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.
  - G. All trash, junk, and other waste materials will be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary landfill. Burial on site is not approved.
- 8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES: NONE
- 9. WELLSITE LAYOUT:
  - A. Exhibit C shows the relative location and dimensions of the well pad, the closed loop design plan, the location of the drilling equipment, orientation and access road approach.
  - B. The closed loop system will be constructed, maintained, and closed in compliance with the State of New Mexico, Energy and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division the "Pit Rule" 19.15.17 NMAC.
  - C. A 600' x 600' area has been staked and flagged.
- 10. PLANS FOR RESTORATION:
  - A. After finishing drilling and/or completion operations, all equipment and other material not needed for further operations will be removed. The location will be cleaned of all trash and junk to leave the well site in as aesthetically pleasing a condition as possible.
  - B. If the proposed well is plugged and abandoned, all rehabilitation and/or vegetation requirements of the Bureau of Land Management will be complied with and will be accomplished as expeditiously as possible.

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## 11. SURFACE OWNERSHIP: Fee Surface

Elliott G. McMaster and Evelyn McMaster Trust under Trust Agreement dated December 18, 1990 PO Box 176 Datil, NM 87821

A Surface Use, Damage and Access Agreement has been entered into between Elliott G. McMaster and Evelyn McMaster Trust under Trust Agreement dated December 18, 1990 and Yates Petroleum Corporation, executed on May 6th, 2008.

Minerals: NM-106905 Federal - Administered by Bureau of Land Management, Roswell Field Office, 2909 W. Second Street, Roswell, NM 88201-2019 Phone: 575-627-0272 FAX: 575-627-0276

## 12. OTHER INFORMATION:

- A. Topography: Refer to the existing archaeological report for a description of the topography, flora, fauna, soil characteristics, dwellings, and historical and cultural sites.
- B. The primary surface use is for grazing.

#### Plans for Interim and Final Surface Reclamation.

1. Well location will be contoured to resemble the original topography as closely as possible. Surface reclamation measures will be taken to avoid new erosion on the well location and the area surrounding the well location. These measures will be overseen by Yates' personnel following a structured plan for the reclamation of each individual site.

2. Major drainage systems will be avoided as determined at the onsite with the BLM. Minor drainages may be rerouted around the well site within the  $600' \times 600'$  cleared area to avoid moving the well location.

3. Segregation of topsoil or like soils will be placed in low lift rows rather than in a stockpile just off the caliche well pad. Placement of these lift rows will be determined at the BLM onsite or at the time of construction by Yates Personnel.

4. Yates will use prudent oil field practices when constructing well locations and related facilities. Yates personnel will determine the size of the well location needed for safe working conditions for personnel during all aspects on the drilling and production process.

5. Back fill requirements for above ground reserve pits will be met by using cut, fill, and contouring of available top soil and like soils from the pit area. Should additional material be needed it will be brought in from a BLM approved source.

6. All topsoil will be spread over the area reclaimed during interim reclamation using a front end loader. For final reclamation enough topsoil will be evenly distributed between the interim reclaimed area and the final reclaimed area. This method of soil stabilization should help maintain the productivity and viability of the topsoil.

7. Soil treatments will be determined at the time of final reclamation by Yates' Environmental Specialist or other designated personnel to meet BLM final reclamation goals.

8. Reseeding of disturbed areas will be accordance with the seed mixtures attached to the approved APD as Conditions of Approval. Planting and soil preparation will be done during the rainy season between June 1st and September 1st.

9. Yates' personnel will control weeds during the productive period through final abandonment of the well. Yates may also use the option to hire a third party to be in charge of weed control or participate in the Chaves Soil and Water District program to pool monies for weed control.

10. Well pads, roads and related facilities with caliche or other surfacing material will be picked up or turned over at the time of final abandonment. These materials may be used on other projects in the area if possible or placed back in the caliche pit or other designated site. Buried pipelines will be left in place after being bled down and purged. Above surface support equipment will be removed or cut down below plow depth and removed. Pipeline right-of-ways will be reseeded according to BLM Best Management Practices.

11. After the well has been drilled and completed Yates' Production Department Personnel will meet with BLM Personnel on each individual well location to discuss the specifics of downsizing the well pad at that time. This information will not be available at the time the Application for Permit to Drill is submitted to the Bureau of Land Management office.

## CERTIFICATION YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Grid Iron BLI Federal #4

I hereby certify that I, or someone under my direct supervision, have inspected the drill site and access route proposed herein; that I am familiar with the conditions which currently exist; and an someone under employment of Yates Petroleum Corporation has full knowledge of state and federal laws applicable to this operation; that the statements made in this APD package are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed in conformity with this APD package and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. I also certify that I, or the company I represent, am responsible for the operations conducted under this application. These statements are subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of false statements.

Executed this <u>14th</u> day of <u>March</u> 2011
Signature
Name Cy Cowan
Position Title Land Regulatory Agent
Address 105 South Fourth Street, Artesia, New Mexico 88210
Telephone (505) 748-4372
Field Representative (if not above signatory) Tim Bussell, Drilling Supervisor
Address (if different from above) Same as above.
Telephone (if different from above) (505) 748-4221
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> YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Grid Iron BLI Federal #4 330' FNL and 330' FWL Section 7, Township 12S Range 27East Chaves County, New Mexico Exhibit E



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YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Grid Iron BLI Federal #4 RECLAIMATION PLAT FOR LOCATION



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FINAL Reclaimation MAY be different from this Diagram

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Possible Reclaimed AREA





