Form 3160-3

(August 1999)

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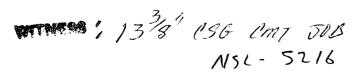
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C-144 Attached

Previously Approved



APPROVAL SUBJECT TO GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS ATTACHED

1000 M. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 DISTRÍCT II 811 South First, Artesia, NM 88210

DISTRICT III

1000 Rio Brazca Rd., Aziec, NM 67410 DISTRICT IV 2040 South Pacheco, Sante Fe. NM 87505

Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Revised March 17, 1999 instruction on back Submit to Appropriate District Office

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District III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office.
For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe

Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes X No

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Form C-144

March 12, 2004

OCT 0 7 2004 Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank X Closure of a pit or below-grade tank Operator: YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Telephone: (505) 748-1471 e-mail address: Address: 105 South Fourth Street, Artesia, NM 88210 API #: U/L or Qtr/Qtr A Sec 12 T 20S R 21E Facility or well name: Arley Federal Unit #3 County: Eddy Latitude N. 32 35'27.3" Longitude W.104 44'25.3" NAD: 1927 X 1983 Surface Owner Federal XX State Private Indian Pit Below-grade tank Type: DrillingX Production Disposal Volume: ____ bbl Type of fluid: _____ Workover Emergency Construction material: Lined X Unlined Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes If not, explain why not. Liner type: Synthetic X Thickness 12 mil Clay Volume (20 points) Less than 50 feet Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet (10 points) water elevation of ground water.) 100 feet or more (0 points) 0 (20 points) Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic (0 points) 0 water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.) Less than 200 feet (20 points) Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet (10 points) irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.) 1000 feet or more (0 points) 0 0 Points Ranking Score (Total Points) If this is a pit closure: (1) attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location: onsite 🔲 offsite 🗀 If offsite, name of facility (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No 🗌 Yes 🔲 If yes, show depth below ground surface ft. and attach sample results. (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations. I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief Further complete that the above-described pit or below-grade tank has

Approval:

Printed Name/Title

regulations.

Printed Name/Title Cy Cowan, Regulatory Agent

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Signature

Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not relieve the operator of liability should the contents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the operator of its responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or

been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines [], a general permit X or an (attached/alternative OCD-approved plan [].

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NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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June 9, 2005

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E. Director

Oil Conservation Division

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South Forth Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210-2118

Attention:

Cy Cowan, Regulatory Agent

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Administrative Order NSL-5216

Dear Mr. Cowan:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on June 3, 2005 (administrative application reference No. pSEM0-515745235); and (ii) the Division's records, including the record in Case No. 13018 (Arley Federal Exploratory Unit Agreement Order No. R-11927, dated March 25, 2003): all concerning Yates Petroleum Corporation's ("Yates") request for a non-standard deep gas well location to be applicable to any and all formations and/or pools from the top of the Wolfcamp to the base of the Chester formation that are:

- **(1)** developed on 320-acre spacing; and
- governed under the provisions of Division Rule 104.C (2). **(2)**

Lots 1 through 4 and the W/2 E/2 (E/2 equivalent) of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 21 East, NMPM. Eddy County, New Mexico is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 324.80-acre stand-up deep gas spacing unit.

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2) the following described well to be drilled at an unorthodox deep gas well location within this 324.80-acre unit is hereby approved;

> Arley Federal Unit Well No. 3 740' FNL & 410' FEL (Lot 1/Unit A).

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

Sincerely,

Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.

Director

MEF/ms

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia cc:

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U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Carlsbad

Case No. 13018

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Arley Federal Unit #3

740' FNL and 410' FEL Section 12-T20S-R21E Eddy County, New Mexico

1. The estimated tops of geologic markers are as follows:

San Andres	395'	Strawn	7035'
Glorieta	1835'	Atoka	7240'
Upper Yeso	2085'	Morrow Clastics	7820'
Tubb	2805'	Middle Morrow	7905'
Lower Yeso	2930'	Lower Morrow	7980'
Abo	3451'	Base Morrow Clastics	8035'
Wolfcamp	4591'	Chester LM	8155'
Cisco .	5938'	TD	8300'

2. The estimated depths at which anticipated water, oil or gas formations are expected to be encountered:

Water:

250'-350'

Oil or Gas: All potential zones.

3. Pressure Control Equipment: BOPE will be installed on the 9 5/8" casing and rated for 3000 BOP systems will be consistent with API RP 53. Pressure tests will be conducted before drilling out from under all casing strings, which are set and cemented in place. Blowout Preventor controls will be installed prior to drilling the surface plug and will remain in use until the well is completed or abandoned. Preventors will be inspected and operated at least daily to ensure good mechanical working order, and this inspection recorded on the daily drilling report. See Exhibit B.

Auxiliary Equipment:

- A. Auxiliary Equipment: Kelly cock, pit level indicators, flow sensor equipment and a sub with full opening valve to fit the drill pipe and collars will be available on the rig floor in the open position at all times for use when kelly is not in use.
- 4. THE PROPOSED CASING AND CEMENTING PROGRAM:
 - A. Casing Program: (All New)

<u>Hole Size</u>	Casing Size	Wt./Ft	<u>Grade</u>	Coupling	<u>Interval</u>	Length
17 ½"	13 3/8"	48#	H-40	ST&C	0-350'	350'
12 1/4"	9 5/8"	36#	J-55	ST&C	0-1600'	1600'
8 3/4"	5 1/2"	17#	J-55	LT&C	0-100'	100'
8 3/4"	5 ½"	15.5#	J-55	LT&C	100'-6800'	6700'
8 3/4"	5 ½"	17#	J-55	LT&C	6800'-8300'	1500'

Minimum Casing Design Factors: Collapse 1.125, Burst 1.0, Joint Strength 1.8

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B. CEMENTING PROGRAM:

Surface casing: 300 sx C + 2% CaCL2 (YLD 1.32 WT 15.6)

Intermediate casing: 500 sx Lite (YLD 2.0 WT 12.5) tail in with 200 sx 'C'

+ 2% CaCL2 (YLD 1.32 WT 15.6)

Production Casing: TOC=1100', 2200 sx Super 'H' Modified (YLD 1.67 WT 13.0).

5. MUD PROGRAM AND AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT:

<u>Interval</u>	Type	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Viscosity</u>	Fluid Loss
0-350'	FW /Air Mist	8.4	28	N/C
350'-1600'	FW /Air Mist	8.4	28	N/C
1600'-7300'	Cut Brine/4% KCL @ 5800'	8.6-9.2	28	N/C
7300'-TD	Salt Gel/Starch	9.2-9.8	32-38	<10cc

Sufficient mud material(s) to maintain mud properties, control lost circulation and contain a blow out will be available at the well site during drilling operations. Mud will be checked hourly by rig personnel.

6. EVALUATION PROGRAM:

Samples: 10' samples out from under intermediate casing.

Logging: Platform Express/HALS/ possible FMI.

Coring: Rotary Sidewall Cores

DST's: As warranted.

7. ABNORMAL CONDITIONS, BOTTOM HOLE PRESSURE, AND POTENTIAL HAZARDS:

Anticipated BHP:

From: 0	TO:	350'	Anticipated Max. BHP:	175	PSI
From: 3	50' TO:	1600'	Anticipated Max. BHP:	700	PSI
From: 1	600' TO:	8300'	Anticipated Max. BHP:	4250	PSI

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated.

Lost Circulation Zones Anticipated: None

H2S Zones Anticipated: None Anticipated

8. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE:

Plans are to drill this well as soon as possible after receiving approval. It should take approximately 30 days to drill the well with completion taking another 15 days.

MULTI-POINT SURFACE USE AND OPERATIONS PLAN YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Arley Federal Unit #3
740' FNL and 410' FEL
Section 12-T20S-R21E
Eddy 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.

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 41 miles Southwest of Artesia, New Mexico and the access route to the location is indicated in red and green on Exhibit A.

DIRECTIONS:

Go south of Artesia on Highway 285 to Rock Daisy Road (CR-23). Turn right on Rock Daisy Road and go to Armstrong Road (CR-12), approx. 17 miles. Turn right on Armstrong Road and go .5 of a mile to Deer Canyon Road. Turn right on Deer Canyon Road and go approximately 2 miles to a cattleguard. Just before the cattleguard turn right on existing two track road going north. Follow the two track for approx. .8 of a mile. The new road will start here going northeast for approximately .4 of a mile to the southwest corner of the proposed well location.

PLANNED ACCESS ROAD:

- A. The proposed new access road will be approximately .4 of a mile in length from the point of origin to the southwest corner of the drilling pad. The road will lie in a southwest/northeast direction.
- B. The road is 14 feet in width (driving surface) and is adequately drained to control runoff and soil erosion.
- C. The road will be bladed with drainage on one side. Some traffic turnouts will be built.
- D The route of the road is visible.
- E 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 wellsite.
- B. Exhibit D shows existing wells within a one-mile radius of the proposed wellsite.

4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES:

- A. There are no production facilities on this lease at the present time.
- B. In the event that the well is productive, the necessary production facilities will be installed on the drilling pad. If the well is productive oil, a gas or diesel self-contained unit will be used to provide the necessary power. No power will be required if the well is productive of gas.

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 Exhibit A.

6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

Dirt contractor will locate nearest pit and obtain any permits and materials needed for construction.

METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL:

A. Drill cuttings will be disposed of in the reserve pits.

B. Drilling fluids will be allowed to evaporate in the reserve pits until the pits are dry.

C. Water produced during operations will be collected in tanks until hauled to an approved disposal system, or separate disposal application will be submitted.

D. Oil produced during operations will be stored in tanks until sold.

E. Current laws and regulations pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.

F. 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 reserve pits, the location of the drilling equipment, rig orientation and access road approach.

B. The reserve pits will be plastic lined and will face to the north. Yates Petroleum Corporation is in full compliance with the OCD General Plan for Drilling Pits approved on April 15, 2004.

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 wellsite in as aesthetically pleasing a condition as possible.

B. Unguarded pits, if any, containing fluids will be fenced until they have dried and been leveled.

C. If the proposed well is non-productive, all rehabilitation and/or vegetation requirements of the Bureau of Land Management will be complied with and will be accomplished as expeditiously as possible. All pits will be filled level after they have evaporated and dried.

11. SURFACE OWNERSHIP: Federal Surface, Administered by Bureau of Land Management, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

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12. OTHER INFORMATION:

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

13. OPERATOR'S REPRESENTATIVE:

A. Through A.P.D. Approval:

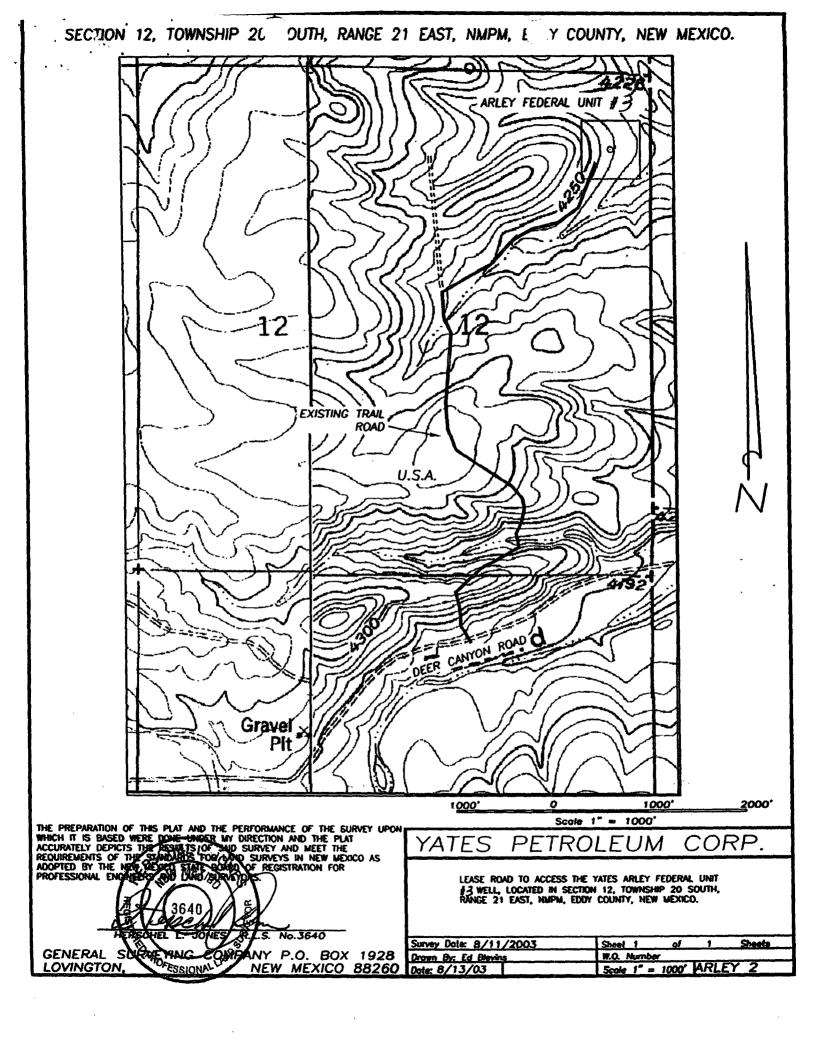
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 Yates Petroleum Corporation
 105 South Fourth Street
 Artesia, New Mexico 88210
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14. CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access route, that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist; that the statements made in this plan are to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and, that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Yates Petroleum Corporation and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of a false statement.

9/26/03

Regulatory Agent



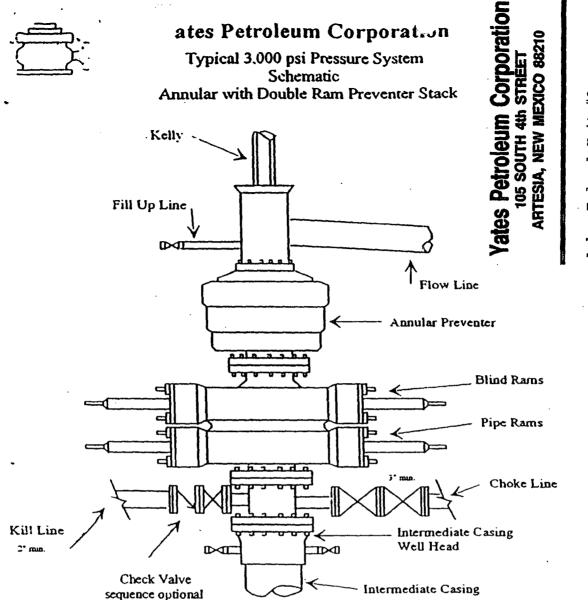
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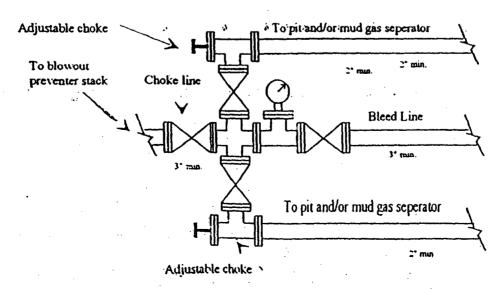
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Typical 3,000 psi Pressure System Schematic

Annular with Double Ram Preventer Stack



Typical 3,000 psi choke manifold assembly with at least these minimun features



CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL - DRILLING

Operator's Name:

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Well Name & No.

3 - ARLEY FEDERAL UNIT

Location:

740' FNL & 410' FEL - SEC 12 - T20S - R21E - EDDY COUNTY

Lease:

NMNM-103573

I. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS:

1. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is to be notified at the Roswell Field Office, 2909 West Second St., Roswell NM 88201, (505) 627-0272 for wells in Chaves and Roosevelt Counties; the Carlsbad Field Office, 620 East Greene St., Carlsbad, NM 88220, (505) 234-5909 or (505) 361-2822 (After hours) - for wells in Eddy County; and the Hobbs Field Station, 414 West Taylor, Hobbs NM 88240, (505) 393-3612 for wells in Lea County, in sufficient time for a representative to witness:

- A. Spudding
- B. Cementing casing: 13-3/8 inch 9-5/8 inch 5-1/2 inch
- C. BOP tests
- 2 Unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged, the drilling rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval.
- 3. Submit a Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5, one original and five copies) for each casing string, describing the casing and cementing operations. Include pertinent information such as; spud date, hole size, casing (size, weight, grade and thread type), cement (type, quantity and top), water zones and problems or hazards encountered. The Sundry shall be submitted within 15 days of completion of each casing string. The reports may be combined into the same Sundry if they fall within the same 15 day time frame.
- 4. The API No. assigned to the well by NMOCD shall be included on the subsequent report of setting the first casing string.

II. CASING:

- 1. The 13-3/8 inch surface casing shall be set at 350 feet and cement circulated to the surface. If cement does not circulate to the surface the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey or cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Remedial cementing shall be completed prior to drilling out that string.
- 2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the <u>9-5/8</u> inch intermediate casing is <u>circulate cement to</u> the surface.
- 4. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5-1/2 inch production casing is cement shall extend upward a minimum of 500 feet above the uppermost hydrocarbon bearing interval.

III. PRESSURE CONTROL:

- 1. All BOP systems and related equipment shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2. The BOP and related equipment shall be installed and operational before drilling below the <u>13-3/8</u> inch casing shoe and shall be tested as described in Onshore Order No. 2. Any equipment failing to test satisfactorily shall be repaired or replaced.
- 2. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer and related equipment (BOPE) is 3000 psi.
- 3. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified in sufficient time for a representative to witness the tests.
- The tests shall be done by an independent service company.
- The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
- Testing fluid must be water or an appropriate clear liquid suitable for sub-freezing temperatures. Use of drilling mud for testing is not permitted since it can mask small leaks.
- Testing must be done in a safe workman-like manner. Hard line connections shall be required.
- BOPE must be tested prior to drilling into the Wolfcamp Formation by an independent service company.

IV. DRILLING MUD:

Mud system monitoring equipment, with derrick floor indicators and visual and audio alarms, shall be operating before drilling into the **Wolfcamp** Formation, and shall be used until production casing is run and cemented. Monitoring equipment shall consist of the following:

- 1. Recording pit level indicator to indicate volume gains and losses.
- 2. Mud measuring device for accurately determining the mud volumes necessary to fill the hole during trips.
- 3. Flow-sensor on the flow line to warn of abnormal mud returns from the well.