# ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING: O. C. C.

CASE NO. 6511 Order No. R-5983

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR A DUAL COMPLETION, AND DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on March 28, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 9th day of April, 1979, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Yates Petroleum Corporation, seeks authority to complete its Tom Brown "GO" Com Well No. 1, located in Unit C of Section 22, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, as a dual completion (conventional) to produce gas from the Lower Morrow formation through tubing and to commingle and produce the Strawn and Upper Morrow zones in the annulus of said well.

(3) That the evidence presented established no sound engineering or geological reasons for dually completing and separately producing the Upper and Lower zones of the Morrow formation.

(4) That the evidence presented indicated that the proposed method of production may result in lower ultimate recovery of gas from the Morrow formation.

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(5) That to prevent waste the subject application should be denied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

 (1) That the application of Yates Petroleum Corporation, to complete its 'Tom Brown "GO," Com Well No. 1, located in Unit C of Section 22, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Kennedy Farms Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, as a dual completion (conventional) to produce gas from the Lower Morrow formation through tubing and to commingle and produce the Strawn and Upper Morrow zones in the annulus of said well is hereby denied.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

Director JOE D. KAME IL CONSERVATION DIVISION STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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