## 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. 12473 ORDER NO. R-11448** 

APPLICATION OF HARVEY E. YATES COMPANY FOR A NON-STANDARD GAS SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

## BY THE DIVISION:

This case came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on August 10, 2000, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Mark W. Ashley.

NOW, on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2000, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner,

## FINDS THAT:

- (1) Due public notice has been given and the Division has jurisdiction of this case and its subject matter.
- (2) The applicant, Harvey E. Yates Company ("Heyco"), seeks an exception to the well location and spacing requirements provided within the "Special Rules and Regulations for the McMillan-Morrow Gas Pool," set forth in Division Order No. R-2917, as amended, for: (i) the formation of a non-standard 318.22-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 1 and 2, the E/2 NW/4 and the NE/4 (N/2 equivalent) of Section 7, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico; and (ii) the dedication of this unit to its proposed Turner Federal "7" Deep Well No. 1 to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line (Lot 2/Unit E) of Section 7.
- (3) The "Special Rules and Regulations for the McMillan-Morrow Gas Pool" currently require standard 640-acre gas spacing and proration units with wells to be located no closer than 1650 feet to the outer boundary of the section and no closer than 330 feet to any quarter-quarter section line or subdivision inner boundary.