



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DHC-3717

Yates Petroleum Corporation  
105 South Fourth Street  
Artesia, NM 88210

Attention: Sam Brandon

Merle State Unit Well No. 3  
API No. 30-025-37545  
Unit P, Section 14, Township 10 South, Range 34 East, NMPM,  
Lea County, New Mexico  
Wildcat-Mississippian Gas and  
Wildcat-Morrow Gas Pools

Dear Mr. Brandon:

Reference is made to your recent application for an exception to Rule 303.A. of the Division Rules and Regulations to permit the above-described well to commingle production from the subject pools in the wellbore.

It appearing that the subject well qualifies for approval for such exception pursuant to the provisions of Rule 303.C., and that reservoir damage or waste will not result from such downhole commingling, and correlative rights will not be violated thereby, you are hereby authorized to commingle the production as described above and any Division Order which authorized the dual completion or otherwise required separation of the zones is hereby placed in abeyance.

In accordance with Division 303C.(1)(f), the production attributed to any commingled pool within the well shall not exceed the allowable applicable to that pool.

Assignment of allowable to the well and allocation of production from the well shall be done after testing of all intervals to be commingled. **The applicant shall submit the allocation percentages to the Division within 60 days following completion of this well or workover.**

**REMARKS:** The operator shall notify the Hobbs District Office of the Division upon implementation of commingling operations.

Pursuant to Rule 303C(2), the commingling authority granted herein may be rescinded by the Division Director if conservation is not being best served by such commingling.

Approved at Santa Fe, New Mexico on June 1, 2006.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark E. Fesmire', is written over the printed name.

MARK E. FESMIRE, P.E.  
Director

cc: Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs  
State Land Office – Oil, Gas, and Minerals Division