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Oil Conservation Division Attn: Mr. William J. Lemay P.O. Box 6429 Santa Fe, NM 87505-6429

Re: Surface Commingling, Lease Commingling, Off-Lease Storage and Measurement.

Dagger Draw Upper Penn, North, Eddy Co., NM

Dear Mr. Lemay,

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests administrative approval for surface commingling, lease commingling, off-lease storage and measurement for the following wells:

Serrano Federal #1

Unit M, SWSW

660' FSL & 660' FWL

Section 11-T19S-R25E

Eddy Co., NM

Serrano Federal #2

Unit L, NWSW

1980' FSL & 660' FWL

Section 11-T19S-R25E

Eddy Co., NM

Apolo APU Federal Com #2
Unit A, NENE
660' FNL & 990' FEL
Section 15-T19S-R25E
Eddy Co., NM
Arrow ARW Federal Com #1
Unit J, NWSE
1980' FSL & 1980' FEL
Section 11-T19S-R25E
Eddy Co., NM

The production from these wells is transported prior to measurement to a common tank battery, located at the Serrano Federal #2 (Unit L, 1980' FSL & 660' FWL Sec. 11-T19S-R25E).

The purpose of the surface commingling, lease commingling, off lease storage and measurement is to reduce operating costs for storage and treating, thereby extending the economic life of each well. Without approval for utilizing existing batteries on adjacent leases, it will become necessary to build separate facilities for each well. This will greatly increase costs and shorten the economic life of the wells.

Because working and royalty interests for the wells are different, oil from each of the wells will be measured by positive displacement temperature compensated metering equipment prior to surface commingling. Gas from the wells will also be metered separately. This metering will ensure that all production from each of the wells is equitably accounted for with no significant effect on your revenue. The production is from the <u>Dagger Draw Upper Penn, North</u>.

The following is enclosed:

A map showing the location of the wells.

A diagram of the proposed measurement equipment, separators and storage tanks in accordance with the "Manual of Installation and Operation of Commingling Facilities".

Notification of working interest, royalty interest and overriding royalty interest owners.

Notification to the Bureau of Land Management.

If you should have any questions or need further information, please give me a call at (505) 748-4206 (direct line).

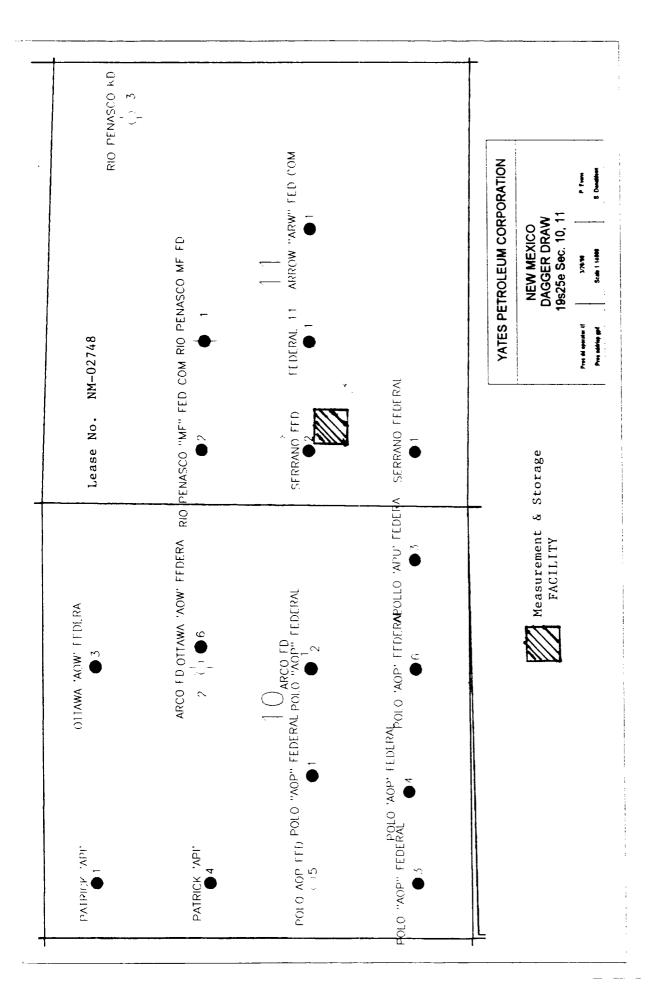
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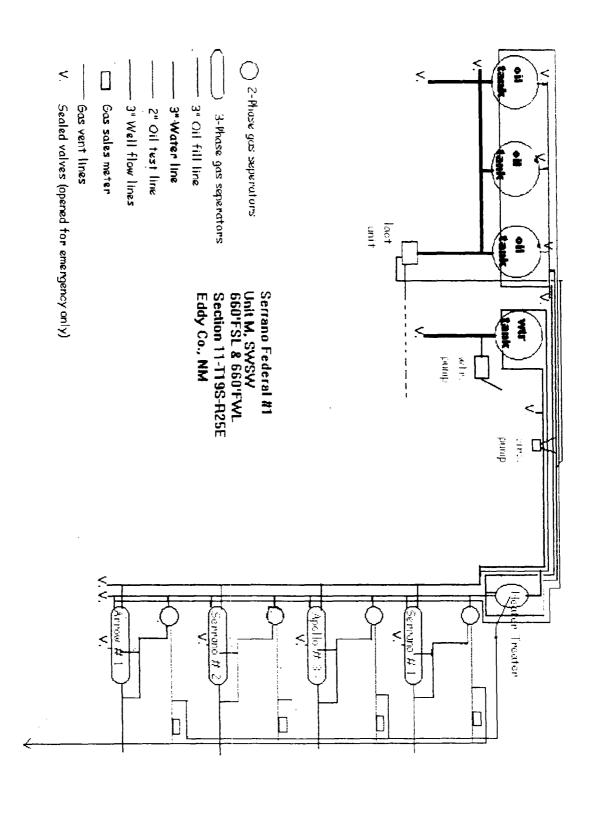
Sincerely,
Pamela S. Evans

Pamela S. Evans Production Clerk

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Attachments





Working Interest Owners, Royalty Interest Owners, Overriding Royalty Interest

Warren Akin IV, Estae c/o WM Morgan Akin P.O. Box 878 Cartesville, GA 30120

James Richard Boyd 300 Boyd Mountain Rd., NW Adairsville, GA 30103

George E. Conley P.O. Box 99 Parker, CO 80134-0099

John A. Gates 5280 Bainbridge Dr. Boise, ID 83703-9938

Margaret J. Gates 706 W. Grand Artesia, NM 88210

LAJ Corporation P.O. Box 10626 Midland, TX 79702-7626

McCaw Family Trust Nora Helen McCaw, Trustee 210 Crossbow Rd. Artesia, NM 88210

Nearburg Exploration Co. P.O. Box 841585 Dallas, TX 75284-1585

Everett R. Sharp 7042 Turtle Creek Lane Dallas, TX 75205

Paul G. White P.O. Box 1025 Artesia, NM 88210 Ruth H. Boyd, Trustee 19561 Scotland Dr. Saratoga, CA 95070

Richard H. Coats P.O. Box 2412 Midland, TX 79702

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Jack McCaw P.O. Box 127 Artesia, NM 88211-0127

Elizabeth J. Norman 6637 S. New Haven Tulas, OK 74136

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Form 3160-5 (June 1990)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

FORM APPROVED Budget Bureau No. 1004-0135 Expires: March 31, 1993

5 Lease Designation and Serial No.

NM-92748

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

6 If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

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1 Type of Well Oil Gas X Well Well Other 2 Name of Operator YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION 3 Address and Telephone No.		8 Well Name and No. Serrano Federal #2 9 API Well No. 30-015-29401
105 S. 4th Street, Artesia, NM 88210 4 Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Descrip		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area Dagger Draw Upper Penn, North
1980' FSL & 660' FWL, Section 11-T19S-	R25E (Unit L, NWSW)	11. County or Parish, State Eddy Co., NM
12 CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(s) To	O INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, R	EPORT, OR OTHER DATA
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION	
- Notice of Intent - X Subsequent Report	Abandonment — Recompletion — Plugging Back	Change of Plans New Construction Non-Routine Fracturing
·· Final Abandonment Notice	Casing Repair Altering Casing X Other Surface Commingling & Storage	Water Shut-Off Conversion to Injection Dispose Water (Note Report results of multiple completion on Well Completion or Recompletion Report and Log form.)

13 Describe Proposed or Completed Operatons (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work. If well is direction drilled, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths for all markers and zones pertinent to this work.)*

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully request approval for surface commingling and off lease storage and measurement.

Please see attached application.

14	Thereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct Signed Particle L. Evans	Title Production Secretary	Date 3/30/98	
	(This space for Federal or State office use)			
	Approved by Conditions of approval, if any		Date	

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

APPLICATION FOR SURFACE COMMINGLING OFF LEASE STORAGE AND MEASUREMENT APPROVAL This Format Should Be Attached To A Sundry Notice

To: Bureau of Land Management 620 East Greene Street Carlsbad, NM 88221-1778

Yates Petroleum Corporation (Operator's Name) is requesting approval for surface commingling and off lease storage and measurement of hydrocarbon production form the following formation(s) and well(s) on Federal Lease No. NM-92748; Lease Name: Serrano Federal.

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with hydrocarbon production from the following formation(s) and well(s) on a Federal lease: <u>Apollo APU</u> Federal Com. and Arrow ARW Federal Com

<u>No.</u>	Loc.	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>Twp.</u>	<u>Rng.</u>	<u>Formation</u>
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1	J	<u>11</u>	<u> 198</u>	<u> 25E</u>	Dagger Draw Upper Penn, North

Production from the well(s) involved is as follows:

Well Name and No.	<u>BOPD</u>	Oil Gravity	<u>MCFPD</u>
Serrano Federal =1	<u>63.43</u>	<u>41.8</u>	155.36
Serrano Federal =2	<u>155.25</u>	<u>41.8</u>	<u>354.21</u>
Apollo APU Federal Com =2	102.25	<u>41.8</u>	117.68
Arrow ARW Federal Com =1	207.44	<u>41.8</u>	<u>384.83</u>

The proposed operation is described in detail on the attached diagrams.

A map is enclosed showing the location of all the wells that will contribute production to the proposed commingling common storage facility.

A schematic diagram is also attached which clearly identifies all equipment that will be utilized.

The storage and measuring facility is located at <u>NWSW-1-4</u>, Sec. 11, T19S, R25E, Federal lease <u>Serrano</u> Federal #2, Eddy Co., New Mexico. BLM will be notified if there is any future change in the facility location.

Details of the proposed method of allocating production to contributing sources is as follows:

Continued.

Continued:

Oil will be transported off lease prior to measurement and will be measured by positive displacement, temperature compensated metering equipment. Gas will also be measured separately. Total sales volume will be allocated back to individual wells based on daily well test.

The working interest owners have been notified of the proposal.

The proposed commingling of production is in the interest of conservation and will not result in reduced royalty or improper measurement of production.

The purpose of the surface commingling, lease commingling, off lease storage and measurement is to reduce operating costs for storage and treating, thereby extending the economic life of each well. Without apportal for utilizing existing batteries on adjacent leases, it will become necessary to build separate facilities for each well. This will greatly increase costs and shorten the economic life of the wells.

The proposed commingling is necessary for economic operation of the above referenced leases.

We understand that the request approval will not constitute the granting of any right-of-way or construction rights not granted by the lease instrument. And, we will submit within 30 days an application for right-of-way approval to the BLM's Realty Section in your office it we have not already done so.

Signature: Amela S. Evans
Name: Pamela S. Evans
Title: Production Clerk
Date: 3-30-98