STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 13298

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart LLP as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

<u>APPLICANT</u>

Yates Petroleum Corporation Attention: Randy Patterson 105 South Fourth Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210-2118 (505) 748-1471 William F. Carr, Esq. Holland & Hart LLP Post Office Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 (505) 988-4421

ATTORNEY

STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks approval of the Boddington Federal Exploratory Unit for all formations from the surface to the top of the Mississippian formation in an area comprising 3200 acres, more or less, of Federal and Fee lands in Sections 5, 8, 9, 17 and 20 of Township 20 South, Range 23 East, NMPM, which is located approximately 10 miles west of Seven Rivers, New Mexico.

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

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WITNESSES (Name and Expertise)

ESTIMATED TIME EXHIBITS

Charles Moran (Land)

John Humphrey (Geology)

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Yates Petroleum Corporation has none at this time.

William F. Carr Attorney for Yates Petroleum Corporation

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