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## HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Mark Fesmire, Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy,
Minerals and Natural Resources
1220 South Saint Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Care 13383

Re: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for approval of a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of the legal advertisement. Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that this matter be placed on the November 18, 2004 Examiner Hearing docket.

Very truly yours,

Ocean Munds-Dry

**Enclosures** 

cc: Mr. Robert Bullock

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South Fourth Street

Artesia, New Mexico 88210-2118

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

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. CASE NO. 13383

## **APPLICATION**

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION ("Yates"), through its under signed attorneys, hereby makes application for an order approving its Boots State Exploratory Unit and in support of this application states:

1. The proposed Unit Area consists of 4619.46 acres, more or less, of State of New Mexico lands, situated in Lea County, New Mexico. The horizontal limits of said unit are described as follows:

## Township 11 South, Range 35 East, N.M.P.M.

All Section 3: Section 4: All Section 8: All Section 9: All All Section 10: Section 15: All Section 16: All Section 17: All

- 2. The Unit Agreement has been approved by a sufficient percentage of the interest owners within the proposed Unit Area to provide effective control of unit operations.
- 3. The Applicant, Yates Petroleum Corporation, is designated as Unit Operator in said Unit Agreement and all oil and gas in the all formations are unitized.

4. The proposed Unit Area covers all, or substantially all, of the geological structures or anomaly from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation.

5. Said Unit Agreement and the unitized operation and management of the Unit Area will be in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste, and that it will protect the correlative rights of all parties concerned.

WHEREFORE, Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on November 18, 2004, that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that the Boots State Exploratory Unit be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEYS FOR YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

CASE NO. 15383:

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for approval of a Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Boots State Exploratory Unit from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation in an area comprising 4619.46 acres of State of New Mexico lands in Sections 13, 4, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, and 17, Township 11 South, Range 35 East, NMPM which is located approximately 10 miles northwest of Tatum, New Mexico.