

**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. 1397

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

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PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks approval of the Leanin L Federal Exploratory Unit from the top of the Queen formation to the base of the Chester Lime in an area comprising 2640 acres of Federal lands in Sections 3, 8, 9, 10 and 17, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, NMPM which is

located approximately 20 miles east of Lake Arthur, New Mexico.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES
(Name and Expertise)

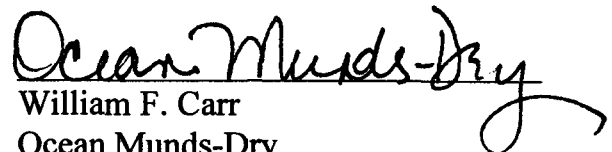
ESTIMATED TIME

EXHIBITS

BY AFFIDAVIT

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Pursuant to Division policy Yates Petroleum Corporation will present this case by Affidavit.


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