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HAND DELIVERY

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

Case 13414

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

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

Enclosed 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 February 17, 2005 Examiner Hearing docket.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Moran
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**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, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. 13414

APPLICATION

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

1. The proposed Unit Area for the Brick State Exploratory Unit consists of 2,520.00 acres, more or less, of State of New Mexico lands, situated in Chaves County, New Mexico. The horizontal limits of said unit are described as follows:

Township 8 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 8:	W/2, W/2 E/2, E/2 SE/4, SE/4 NE/4
Sections 9 and 10:	All
Section 16:	All
Section 20:	All

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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 of the geological structures or anomaly from the surface to the base of the Siluro-Devonian 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 it will protect the correlative rights of all parties.

WHEREFORE, Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on February 17, 2005 that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that the Brick State Exploratory Unit be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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CORPORATION

CASE NO. 13414:

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for approval of a Unit Agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Brick State Exploratory Unit for all formations from the surface to the base of the Siluro-Devonian formation in an area comprising 2,520 acres, more or less, of State of New Mexico lands in Sections 8, 9, 10 and 16 of Township 8 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, which is located approximately 17 miles east of Roswell, New Mexico.