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:

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

CASE NO. 13592

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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 DeHavilland State Exploratory Unit from the surface to the base of the Pre-cambrian formation in an area comprising 7038.69 acres of State of New Mexico lands in Sections 6, 7, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 28, 29, 32

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and 33 25 and 36 in Township 5 South, Range 26 East, NMPM which is located approximately 12 miles northeast of Elkins, 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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