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, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. CASE NO. 13591

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Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

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 Milsap State Exploratory Unit from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation in an area comprising 2240 acres of State of New Mexico lands in Sections 25 and 36 in Township 12 South, Range 33 Pre-Hearing Statement NMOCD Case No. 1391 Page 2

East, and Section 31 in Township 12 South, Range 34 East, NMPM which is located approximately 10 miles west of Tatum, 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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