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Gentlemen.

Please find attached my entry of appearance and Marshall & Winston's motion to dismiss case 14367

Regards,

## Tom Kellahin

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### HAND DELIVERED

Mr. Mark Fesmire, P.E., Director Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: NMOCD Case 14367

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a non-standard proration spacing unit, compulsory pooling and rescission of a permit to drill [Derbi DOB Com Well NO. 1-H] S/2S/2 of Section 9, T11S, R31E Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

On behalf of Marshall & Winston, Inc., please find enclosed our Entry of Appearance in the referenced case that is currently set for an Examiner's hearing on September 3, 2009.

Very truly/yours,

. Thomas Kellahin

cc:

Michael H. Feldewert, Esq. Attorney for Yates

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT, COMPULSORY POOLING AND RESCISSION OF A PERMIT TO DRILL CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO RECEIVED OCD

CASE NO. 14367

### **ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

Come now Marshall & Winston, Inc. by its attorneys, and enter its appearance in this case as an interested party adversely affected by this application.

W. Thomas Kellahin Kellahin & Kellahin 706 Gonzales Road Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 (505) 982-4285 tkellahin@comcast.net

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this pleading was transmitted by email to counsel of record, this 11th day of August 2009 as follows:

Michael H. Feldewert, Esq.

Attorney for Applicant mfeidewert@hollandhart.com

W. Thomas Kellahin

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT FOR A DIRECTIONAL WELL PROJECT AREA, FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND FOR RESCISSION OF A PERMIT TO DRILL CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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**CASE NO. 14367** 

# MARSHALL & WINSTON'S MOTION TO DISMISS

Comes now Marshall & Winston, Inc. by its attorneys, Kellahin & Kellahin, moves that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") enter an order dismissing Yates Petroleum Corporation's application in this case,

### AND as grounds therefore, states:

- (1) Marshall & Winston has obtained from the Division an approved permit to drill its Medlin "9" Fee Well No. 1-H (API # 30-005-29098) a directional wellbore to be drilled and dedicated to a standard 160-acre spacing and proration unit consisting of the SW/4 of Section 9, T11S, R31E, Chaves County, NM. See first page of APD and form C-102 attached as Exhibits "A" and "B"
- (2) After planning and developing its drilling of this well, Marshall & Winston became aware that Yates Petroleum Corporation had obtained a federal permit to drill its Derbi DOB Com Well No. 1-H (API # 30-005-29094), a horizontal wellbore with a surface location in Unit P and a bottom-hole location in Unit M of Section 9, T15S, R31E, Chaves County and to be dedicated to a non-standard 160-acre spacing unit consisting of the S/2S/2 of this section. See first page of APD and form C-102 attached as Exhibits "C" and "D"

- (3) In order to obtain the BLM's approval, Yates filed Division Form C-102 signed by Cy Cowan, as regulatory agent for Yates, certified that Yates has an interest the bottom-hole location for this wellbore.
- (4) In doing so, Yates has violated the Division Rules and Orders and has improperly certified that Yates has any interest in two of the 40-acre tracts interest.
- (5) Contrary to its certification, Yates does not have an interest in either (a) the bottom-hole location or (b) in any portion of the producing interval of this wellbore within the S/2SW/4 of Section 9 nor has it reached a voluntary agreement with Marshall & Winston or obtained a Division compulsory pooling order.
- (6) Yates' actions have interfered with the rights of Marshall & Winston to develop this lease with a 160-acre horizontal wellbore project area entirely contained within Marshall & Winston's fee lease.
- (7) Marshall & Winston can reasonable develop this fee lease in conformance with Division spacing rules while Yates' seeks the communitization of a federal lease that Yates' controls in the SE/4 of this section with Marshall & Winston's fee lease in the SW/4 that will result in the dilution of Marshall % Winston's interest.
- (8) In order to further its interference with Marshall & Winston's drilling plans, Yates is seeking Division approval of a non-standard spacing unit that adversely affects Marshall & "Winston

WHEREFORE, Marshall & Winston moves that the Division dismiss Yates' application.

ESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

W. THOMAS KELLAHIN KELLAHIN & KELLAHIN

706 Gonzales Road

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

(505) 982-4285

### **VERIFICATION**

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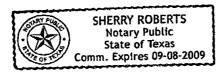
Tom Brandt, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states: He is president of Marshall & Winston, Inc., that he is familiar with the matters set forth pleading and the statements therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.

Tom Brandt

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 10 day of August 2009, by Tom Brandt

Notary Public

My commission expires:



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(575) 420-0355

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Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102. Revised October 12, 2005

1301 W. GRAND AVENUE, ARTESIA, NA 8821 UL 02 2011 CONSERVATION DIVISION

Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

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MEDLIN FEE (9 Property Code 1H OGRID No. Operator Name Elevation MARSHALL & WINSTON, INC. 4429

### Surface Location

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Ida	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
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#### Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

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### OPERATOR CERTIFICATION I bereby certify that the information herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a owner of soluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division. 2-09 Mon First Perf por pt: 2202 /S & 2248/W Date Signature VERNON Printed Name 4429.4 4427.4 SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION 600' I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is GEODETIC COORDINATES NAD 27 NME SURFACE LOCATION under my supervision, and that the same true and correct to the best of my belief. E/DS 4429.2 4428.1 Y≔738699.4 N Date Surveyor C X=655246 7 E LAT =33.029720° N LONG. = 103,826789° W Signature & Ses Professional S32-3 BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION 6/15/09 Y=7.36580 1 N X=653097.0 E Certificate No. GARY EIDSON 12641 **EXHIBIT** RONALD J. ELDSON 3239 800-631

Mexico Oil Conservation Division, District I 1625 N. French Drive

- Hobbs, NM 88240

Form 3160-3 (August 2007)

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FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0137 Expires: July 31, 2010

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APPROVAL SUBJECT TO GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS ATTACHED DISTRICT I 1626 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

PICT II

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WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

AMENDED REPORT

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