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 POOL CREATION AND SPECIAL POOL RULES INCLUDING SPECIAL SPACING AND WELL LOCATION REQUIREMENTS AND A SPECIAL DEPTH BRACKET ALLOWABLE, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 1275

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PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-hearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart LLP as required by Oil Conservation Division Rule 1208.B.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

APPLICANT:

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STATEMENT OF CASE

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for pool creation and special pool rules including special spacing and well location requirements and a special oil depth bracket allowable Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause seeks the creation of a new pool, to be known as the Pecos Slope Deep Oil Pool, as the result of the discovery of oil in its George "QJ" Federal Well No. 10 located 660 feet from the South line and 1500 feet from the West Line of Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico.. The pool boundaries for this new oil pool should include the W/2 of Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, and it should include all formations below the base of the Abo formation. Applicant also seeks the adoption of Special Pool Rules and Regulation for the pool including 320-acre oil well spacing, a pre-approved infill well in the quarter section not containing the original well and, pursuant to Division General Rule 505-D, a special depth bracket allowable of 694 barrels of oil per day.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS:ESTIMATED TIME:EXHIBITS:Tim Miller
(Geology)20 minutesApproximately 5

David Boneau (Petroleum Engineer) 20 Minutes

Approximately 6

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Yates Petroleum Corporation has none at this time.

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