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 MARATHON OIL COMPANY
TO VACATE DIVISION ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER SWD-852
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 12991

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by MARATHON OIL COMPANY as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT:

Marathon Oil Company seeks and order of the Division vacating Administrative Order SWD-852 approving Yates Petroleum Corporation's request to use its Archimedes "ARE" State Well No. 1, Unit J Section 19, T21S, R24E for disposal into the Canyon Formation. By letter dated January 17, 2003, Yates Petroleum Corporation advised the Division that it had no objection to granting Marathon's application.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS

None

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None applicable at this time.

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