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Lori Wrotenbery, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 FEB 1 8 2003

Oil Conservation Division

Re: Case 13008: Amended Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for simultaneous dedication, Chaves County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms Wrotenbery:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Amended Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. Yates requests that Case No. 13008 currently scheduled for hearing before a Division Examiner on February 20, 2003 be continued and the case be re-advertised and this amended application be placed on the docket for the March 13, 2003 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours

William F. Carr

Enclosures

cc: Chuck Moran (w/ enclosures) Yates Petroleum Corporation

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR SIMULTANEOUS DEDICATION, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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Oil Conservation Division CASE NO. 13008

AMENDED APPLICATION

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION ("Yates"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application for an order authorizing the simultaneous dedication of the following wells to an existing 320-acre standard gas spacing unit comprised of N/2 of Section 5, Township 10 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico in the Silurian Devonian, Strawn, Cisco and Wolfcamp formations:

- Quiniela AXQ State Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard gas well location in the NW/4 of Section 5,
- B. Quiniela AXQ State Well No. 2 (API No. 30-005-63364) located at a standard gas well location 1980 feet from the North and East lines (Unit G), and
- C. Quiniela AXQ State Well No. 3 to be drilled at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 5.

In support of its application, Yates states:

1. Yates is the operator of a standard 320-acre spacing unit comprised of the N/2 of Section 5, Township 10 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Chaves County New Mexico. This spacing unit is currently dedicated in the Quiniela AXQ State Well No. 2 for production from the Wolfcamp formation, Foor Ranch-Wolfcamp Pool, and the Silurian Devonian formation, Undesignated Foor Ranch- Pre-Permian Gas Pool and the Undesignated Southwest Pre-Permian Gas Pool. 2. The N/2 of Section 5 is fault divided so that the existing Quiniela AXQ State Well No. 2 is located in and producing from a fault block that is separate from and not in communication with the remainder of the N/2 of Section 5 in any formation including the Abo Wolfcamp, Cisco, Strawn and Silurian Devonian formations

3. The formations and pools in the N/2 of Section 5 are governed by the acreage and well location requirements of Division Rule 104.C.(2) of the General Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division which provide in part that:

(A) the initial well on a 320-acre unit shall be located no closer than 660 feet to the outer boundary of the quarter section on which the well is located and no closer than 10 feet to any quarter-quarter section line or subdivision inner boundary: and

(B) only one infill well on a 320-acre unit shall be allowed provided that the well is located in the quarter section on the 320-acre unit not containing the initial well and is no closer than 660 feet to the outer boundary of the quarter section and no closer than 10 feet to any quarter-quarter section line or subdivision inner boundary.

4. Yates seeks an exception to Rule 104.C (2)(b) to permit it to simultaneously dedicate the N/2 of Section 5 to the Quiniela AXQ State Well Nos. 1, 2 and 3 in all formations. The Quiniela AXQ Well Nos. 1 and 3 will produce the reserves from the N/2 of this section except for the acreage drained by the Quiniela AXQ Well No. 2 that is within the fault block in the N/2 of the section and cannot be accessed with the No. 1 and 3. Although the No. 2 and No. 3 wells are in the same quarter section, because of the geologic separation of the productive formations, they will not be in communication with each other.

5. Approval of the simultaneous dedication of the Quiniela AXQ State Well Nos. 1,2 and 3 to the 320-acre gas spacing unit comprised of the N/2 of Section 5 will protect

correlative rights by affording Yates the opportunity to efficiently produce the reserves from this spacing unit in the Silurian Devonian, Strawn, Cisco and Wolfcamp formations which otherwise cannot be efficiently produced.

6. Approval of this amended application will be in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.

7. Notice of this amended application has been provided to all affected offset owners in accordance with Oil Conservation Division Rules and Regulations.

WHEREFORE, Yates Petroleum Corporation request that this amended application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on March 13, 2003 and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order granting an exception to Division Rule 104.C.(2)(b) and approving the simultaneous dedication of the existing 320-acre spacing unit comprised of the N/2 of Section 5 to the Quiniela AXQ State Well No. 1 located at a standard gas well location in the NW/4 Section 5, the Quiniela AXQ State Well No. 2 located 1980 feet from the North and East lines of Section 5; and the Quiniela AQX State Well No. 3 located 660 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 5 in the Silurian Devonian, Cisco and Wolfcamp formations.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

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Township 10 South, Range 26 East, NMPM Section 4: W/2

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