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Re: In the Matter of the Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation in the above-referenced case. Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the December 5, 1991 Examiner hearings.

V¢ry truly yours,

WILLIAM'F. CARR

WFC:mlh Enclosures

cc w/enclosures: Ms Janet Richardson

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NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 19422

APPLICATION

Yates Petroleum Corporation, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of N.M.Stat.Ann. § 70-2-17, (1978), for an order pooling all of the mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Canyon formation in all formations developed on 160-acre spacing in the SE/4 of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Applicant owns or represents approximately 81.25% of the working interest in the SE/4 of Section 8, and Applicant has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above-referenced pooled unit to its Thomas A.J.J. Well No. 3 to be drilled at a standard location in the NW/4 SE/4 of Section 8, to a depth of approximately 8,100 feet to test the Canyon formation, North Dagger Draw Pennsylvanian Pool.
- 3. Applicant has obtained either voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from all other interest owners in the SE/4 of said Section 8, except for Conoco, Inc., the owner of an 18.75% working interest.

4. Said pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will

prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

5. In order to permit the Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil

and gas underlying the subject lands, all interests in Section 8 should be pooled, and

Applicant should be designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before an

Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on December 5, 1991 and, after notice and

hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the lands, including

provisions for Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well,

its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges, and

imposing a risk factor for the risk assumed by the Applicant in drilling, completing and

equipping the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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