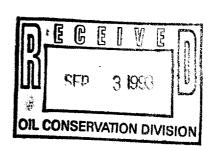
STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 10820

APPLICATION OF PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT COMPANY FOR A SHORT-RADIUS HORIZONTAL DIRECTIONAL DRILLING PROJECT AREA AND SPECIAL OPERATING RULES THEREFORE, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Prehearing Statement is submitted by Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P.A., as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY	ATTORNEY		
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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

(Please make a concise statement of what is being sought with this application and the reasons therefore.)

OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement.)

Yates Petroleum Corporation does not oppose the applications of Petroleum Development Company for approval of horizontal drilling pilot projects.

Since the procedures to be followed by operators in obtaining approval of horizontal drilling projects continue to evolve, Yates, as an offset operator to Petroleum Development Company, will present comments on matters to be considered i establishing administrative procedures for approval of horizontal wells.

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES (Name and expertise)

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EXHIBITS

(Name and expertise)

David Boneau, Petroleum Engineer

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to hearing)

Signature

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:

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CASE NO.

10820

APPLICATION OF Petroleum Development Company for a high angle/horizontal direction drilling pilot project and for special operating rules therefor, Chaves County, New Mexico.

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This prehearing statement is submitted by <u>Petroleum Development Corporation</u> as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

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Reenter each of the listed wellbores mill a 60'+ - section in the exisiting 5.5" casing. Set a cement plug drilled to a predetermined kick-off point. Kick-off from vertical, build angle with a 60' to 80'+ - short radius arc to approximately 90' into the San Andres Pay Zone. Continue to drill horizontally 800' to 1400' into the Pay Zone maintaining a distance of 100' from any IEASE LINE BOUNDARIES. Reason for this procedure is to attempt to economically recover Oil & Gas reserves from these leases that have not been recovered from the conventional vertical wellbores.

Case 10818: Strange Federal #1,2,3

Case 10819: Mountain Federal #4,5 Case 10820: Wattam Federal #1

Case 10821: Wattam Federal #2,6

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS (Name and expertise)

J. C. Johnson 30 min. (4)

35 years Oil & Gas Exploration and Production from Canada to Gulf Coast. Five Years Experience in Short Radius Horizontal Drilling.

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS (Name and expertise)

PROCEDURAL MATTERS (Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to the hearing)

Considerable time could be saved by consolidating case nos. 10818, 10819 and 10821 as testimony will be identical.

Signature