

State of New Mexico

#8356



JIM BACA  
COMMISSIONER

## Commissioner of Public Lands

April 9, 1986

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148  
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310 Old Santa Fe Trail  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Yates Petroleum Corporation  
Attn: Mr. Janet Richardson  
207 South Fourth Street  
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Re: Termination of  
Caja Del Rio Grande Unit  
Santa Fe County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

The Bureau of Land Management has notified this office that the Caja Del Rio Grande Unit Agreement has been terminated automatically as of March 13, 1986.

Article 9 of the unit agreement requires the unit operator to commence to drill a well within six months after the effective date of the unit agreement. Our records also indicate that no drilling has occurred within the unit area. In view of the above the Caja Del Rio Grande Unit Agreement is considered to have automatically terminated effective as of March 13, 1986.

Please advise all interested parties of this action.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: *Floyd O. Prando*

FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director  
Oil and Gas Division  
(505) 827-5744

JB/FOP/pm

cc: OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico

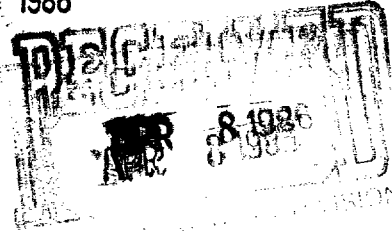
BLM-Albuquerque, New Mexico Attn: Fluids Branch

Bureau of Land Management  
Albuquerque District Office  
Records Division  
P.O. Box 2770  
Albuquerque, NM 87197-5770

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Rio Grande  
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Yates Petroleum Corporation  
ATTN: Janet Richardson  
207 South Fourth St.  
Artesia, NM 88210

Gentlemen:

The Casa del Rio Grande Unit Agreement, No. 14-08-0001-19593, Santa Fe County, New Mexico was approved September 13, 1985, effective as of that date. The terms of the unit agreement require that the unit operator commence drilling operations on an adequate test well within six months after the effective date.

Our records indicate that no drilling has occurred in the Casa del Rio Grande Unit. The unit agreement is considered to have terminated automatically as of March 13, 1986, pursuant to section 9 of the unit agreement.

Sincerely,

(Orig. Signed) - Sid Vogelpohl

For District Manager

cc:  
Micrographics (943B-1)  
FRAH Fluids (016)  
\*NMSO (943C)  
✓ NMOCD, Santa Fe  
Com. of Pub. Lands  
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\*Note to leasing unit (NMSO): We recommend that the Federal leases committed to this unit not receive a two year extension because no drilling took place.

Public Lands Management  
Albuquerque District Office  
Minerals Division  
P.O. Box 6770  
Albuquerque, NM 87197-6770

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Gentlemen:

Our letter dated April 4, 1986, contains a typographical error. The unit agreement that was terminated is the Caja del Rio Grande not the Casa del Rio Grande as was stated in our letter. Please make the necessary corrections to your records.

Sincerely,

(John B. Smith) - BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

For District Manager

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
**ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT**  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

TONEY ANAYA  
GOVERNOR

December 19, 1984

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501  
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Mr. Chad Dickerson  
Losee, Carson & Dickerson  
Attorneys at Law  
Post Office Drawer 239  
Artesia, New Mexico 88211-0239

Re: CASE NO. 8356  
ORDER NO. R-7750

Applicant:

Peyton Yates

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced  
Division order recently entered in the subject case.

Sincerely,

R. L. STAMETS  
Director

RLS/fd

Copy of order also sent to:

Hobbs OCD x  
Artesia OCD x  
Aztec OCD x

Other \_\_\_\_\_  
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United States Department of the Interior  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

505 Marquette Avenue N.W.  
P.O. Box 6770  
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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Caja Del Rio  
Grande Unit  
La Mesa

Petyon Yates  
Attention: Mr. Randy G. Patterson  
207 South Fourth Street  
Artesia, NM 88210

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Gentlemen:

We have received your drilling proposal dated June 28, 1984, for these two proposed unit designation areas. We are willing to accept the two well commitment for the La Mesa Unit Area as long as the second well tests the northern half of the proposed area.

We will not accept a two-well commitment for the Caja Del Rio Grande Area as long as it remains such a large area. As we discussed in the unit designation conference, we believe that a three-well commitment would be a minimum to test such a large area. Therefore, we would only accept a proposal which included three wells, each to test approximately one-third of the proposed Caja Del Rio Grande unit area.

We are responding to your letter by letter because our decision does not concur with your proposal, rather than by telephone as requested, so that our position is clear.

Also, enclosed is a copy of the newest unit format. You will need to incorporate the multiple well language, which we provided to you at the unit designation conference. If you have any questions, please call Sue E. Umshler at 766-2668.

Sincerely yours,

*Guy A. Stephens*  
For District Manager

PEYTON YATES  
Case No. 8356  
10/17/84 Examiner Hearing  
Exhibit No. 4



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Peyton Yates  
207 South Fourth Street  
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Attention: Randy G. Patterson

Re: Caja Del Rio Grande Unit  
Request for Unit Acreage  
Contraction, Santa Fe and  
Sandoval Counties, New  
Mexico

Dear Mr. Patterson:

Your request to contract the unit acreage for the Caja Del Rio Grande Unit, approved under Division Order No. R-7750, has been reviewed. The Oil Conservation Division has no objection to your proposed unit changes and we have so noted the contractions, as described on the attached sheet, in our records.

Sincerely,

R. L. STAMETS  
Director

RLS/GPQ/fd

cc: Roy Johnson, Santa Fe  
Case File 8356  
Ray Graham, State Land Office  
Gilbert P. Quintana, Examiner

ACREAGE DELETIONS TO THE  
CAJA DEL RIO GRANDE UNIT  
SANTA FE AND SANDOVAL COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO

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A tract of land lying in the La Majada Grant

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO. 8356  
Order No. R-7750

APPLICATION OF PEYTON YATES  
FOR A UNIT AGREEMENT,  
SANTA FE AND SANDOVAL COUNTIES,  
NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on October 17, 1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Gilbert P. Quintana.

NOW, on this 18th day of December, 1984, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) The applicant, Peyton Yates, seeks approval of the Caja Del Rio Grande Unit Agreement covering 122,857.15 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands in Santa Fe and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, described as follows:

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Section 1: N/2 N/2, Lots 7 through 10  
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Lots 1 through 11  
Section 3: W/2 W/2, NE/4, N/2 SE/4,  
Lots 1 through 7  
Sections 4 through 6: All  
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Section 11: Lots 1 and 2  
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(3) All plans of development and operation and creations, expansions, or contractions of participating areas or expansions or contractions of the unit area, should be submitted to the Director of the Division for approval.

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contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Division within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.

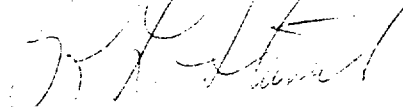
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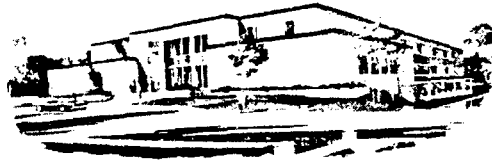
DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

  
R. L. STAMETS,  
Director

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State of New Mexico



JIM BACA  
COMMISSIONER

Commissioner of Public Lands

June 26, 1985

Yates Petroleum Corporation  
207 South Fourth Street  
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

P.O. BOX 1148  
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Re: Caja Del Rio Grande Unit  
Santa Fe County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Ms. Janet Richardson

Gentlemen:

This office is in receipt of your revised preliminary copies of the Caja Del Rio Grande Unit Agreement embracing approximately 107,346.67 acres in Santa Fe County, New Mexico. These revised exhibits have this date been accepted and filed in our unit files.

Inasmuch as all State leases within this unit will expire on July 1, 1985, please submit revised exhibits "A" and "B" reflecting any changes in ownership.

The filing fee for a unit agreement is Thirty Dollars for every section or partial section thereof. Please remit a filing fee in the amount of \$5,520.00.

If we may be of further help please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: *Ray D. Graham*  
RAY D. GRAHAM, Director  
Oil and Gas Division  
AC 505/827-5744

JB/RDG/pm  
encls.  
cc:

OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico  
BLM-Albuquerque, New Mexico Attn: Fluids Branch  
BLM-Roswell, New Mexico Attn: Mr. Armando Lopez



207 SOUTH FOURTH STREET  
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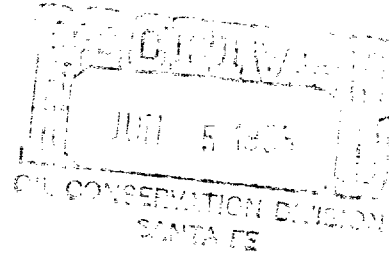
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S. P. YATES  
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MARTIN YATES, III  
VICE PRESIDENT  
JOHN A. YATES  
VICE PRESIDENT  
B. W. HARPER  
SEC. TREAS.

June 3, 1985

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
P. O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Attention: Mr. Gilbert Quintana



Re: Caja Del Rio Grande Unit  
Santa Fe County, New Mexico  
Order No. R-7750

Dear Mr. Quintana:

As we discussed May 24th, when I visited your office, we have determined that the La Majada Fault should be taken into consideration for the captioned unit. This will eliminate a block of acreage on the south and west edge of the unit. At that time, you indicated your willingness to consider this amendment.

We are enclosing a copy of the formal geological report, prepared by Dr. Bruce Black, which shows our reasoning for the unit boundaries as proposed. We are also enclosing a copy your Order No. R-7750 with the requested changes highlighted.

We are preparing copies of the unit agreement and unit operating agreement and as soon as those are finalized, executed copies will be forwarded to you.

Also, please note that we request a change of operator from Peyton Yates to Yates Petroleum Corporation.

We respectfully request that Order No. R-7750 be amended per these requested changes and that the amendments be expedited so that this unit may be approved prior to July 1, 1985.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Very truly yours,

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Randy G. Patterson  
Land Manager

RGP/dw  
Enclosure

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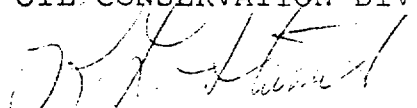
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