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. 10224

THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, BLACKWATER UNIT AREA, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

PREHEARING STATEMENT

This prehearing statement is submitted by David R. Vandiver of Fisk & Vandiver, attorneys for Yates Petroleum Corporation, as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY (name, address, phone and contact person)

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 therefor.)

Yates Petroleum Corporation desires to establish an exploratory unit known as the Blackwater Unit embracing the following lands in Chaves County, New Mexico:

Township 9 South, Range 21 East, N.M.P.M.

Sections 1 through 36: All

Township 9 South, Range 22 East, N.M.P.M.

Sections 3 through 10: All Sections 15 through 22: All Sections 27 through 34: All

containing 41,610 acres, more or less,

in order to enable Yates to more efficiently and effectively explore for and produce hydrocarbons underlying said lands.

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.)

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES		EST.		
Name	Expertise	TIME		EXHIBITS
Rob Bullock	Landman	20 mins.	1.	Plat
			2.	Unit Agreement
			3.	Unit Operating Agreement
			4.	Application to the Commis- sioner of Public Lands for Preliminary approval of the Unit Agreement
			5.	Application to the Bureau of Land Management for designation of the area as logically subject to unit development
D'nese Fly	Geologist	20 mins.	6.	Regional Tectonic Facies Map
			7.	West to East Stratigraphic Cross-Section B-B'
			8.	Total Intensity Aeromag- netic Contour Map, Struc- tural Contour Map on Top of Abo Formation, Isopach Map of West of West Abo Facies
			9.	North to South Structural Cross-Section A-A'

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OPPOSITION

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

NONE

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