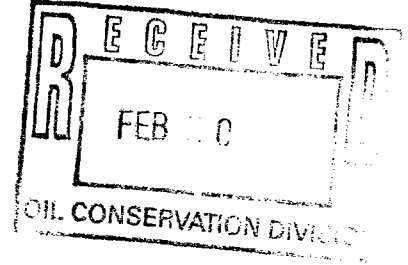


**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

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



CASE NO. 11469

APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM
CORPORATION FOR A UNIT AGREEMENT,
LEA 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

APPLICANT

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

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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.)

Yates Petroleum Corporation, applicant in the above-captioned cause, seeks approval of the Alphabet Unit Agreement for an area comprising 2,077.01 acres, more or less, of State and Fee lands consisting of all or parts of Sections 7, 8, 9, 17 and 18 of Township 21 South, Range 34 East.

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.)

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

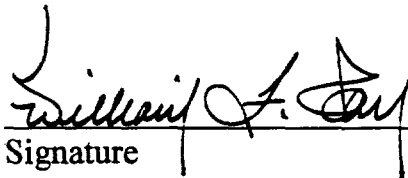
WITNESSES (Name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Kathy Porter, Landman	10 Min.	Approximately 4
John McRae, Geologist	10 Min.	Approximately 3

OPPOSITION

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

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

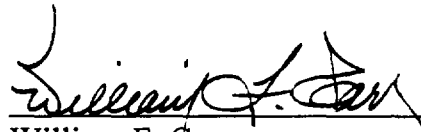

Signature

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 20th day of February, 1996, I have caused to be hand-delivered a copy of our Pre-Hearing Statement in the above-captioned case to the following named counsel:

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