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William J. LeMay, Director
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2040 South Pacheco Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

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Re: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for Approval of a Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of the legal advertisement. Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the November 21, 1996 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

WFC:mlh Enclosures

cc: Ms. Mecca Mauritsen
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Artesia, New Mexico 88210

BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. //652

APPLICATION

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application for an order approving its Trick State Unit Agreement and in support of this application states:

1. The proposed Unit Agreement consists of 7,040.00 acres, more or less, of State and Fee lands, situated in Lea County, New Mexico. The horizontal limits of said unit are described as follows:

Township 22 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 13:

All

Section 24:

All

Township 22 South, Range 35 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 8:

SE/4

Section 9:

All

Section 16:

All

Section 17

All

Section 18:

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Section 19:

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Section 19.

All

Section 21:

All All Section 28:

NW/4

Section 29:

N/2, SW/4

Section 30:

E/2, NW/4

2. The Unit Agreement has been approved by a sufficient percentage of the interest owners within the proposed Unit Area to provide effective control of unit operations.

3. The Applicant, Yates Petroleum Corporation, is designated as Unit Operator in said Unit Agreement and all oil and gas in any and all formations is unitized.

4. The proposed Unit Area covers all, or substantially all, of the geological structures or anomaly involved.

5. Prior to hearing the proposed Unit Agreement will be reviewed with the State Land Office for its approval as to form and content.

6. Said Unit Agreement and the unitized operation and management of the Unit Area will be in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste, and that it will protect the correlative rights of all parties concerned.

WHEREFORE, Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on November 21, 1996, that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that the Trick State Unit Agreement be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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