

**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:**

**APPLICATION OF YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION CASE NO. 12831
FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart LLP as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks approval of the New Grass State Exploratory Unit for an area comprising 3200 acres of State of New Mexico lands in Sections 9, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, and 24 of Township 15 South, Range 34 East, NMPM which is located approximately 7 miles northwest of Lovington, New Mexico.

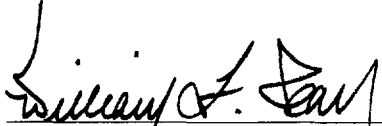
PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES (Name and Expertise)	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
John Amiet (Geology)	Approx. 15 Minutes	7

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Yates Petroleum Corporation has none at this time.



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