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:

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

CASE NO. 12984

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Holland & Hart LLP submits this Pre-Hearing Statement as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks approval of the Dempster State Exploratory Unit for an area comprising 3840 acres of State of New Mexico lands in Sections 28 through 33 of Township 11 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, which is located approximately 5 miles north of Tatum, New Mexico.

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES ESTIMATED TIME EXHIBITS

(Name and Expertise)

John Amiet (Geology) Approx. 15 Minutes 7

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Yates Petroleum Corporation has none at this time.

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