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Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy,
Minerals and Natural Resources
1220 South Saint Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for approval of a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery,:

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 requests that this matter be placed on the June 19, 2003 Examiner Hearing docket.

very truly yours

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Enclosures

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES, OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Oil Conservation 27 27 2003

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

Oil Conservation Division

CASE NO. 13091

APPLICATION

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION ("Yates"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application for an order approving its Humidor State Exploratory Unit and in support of this application states:

The proposed Unit Area consists of 2440.00 acres, more or less, of State 1. of New Mexico lands, situated in Eddy County, New Mexico. The horizontal limits of said unit are described as follows:

Township 24 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M.

SW/4, SW/4 NW/4 Section 13:

Section 14: All Section 23: All Section 24: W/2 Section 26: All

- 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.
- The Applicant, Yates Petroleum Corporation, is designated as Unit 3. Operator in said Unit Agreement and all oil and gas in the all formations are unitized.
- The proposed Unit Area covers all, or substantially all, of the geological 4. structures or anomaly involved.

5. 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 June 19, 2003, that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that the Humidor State Exploratory Unit be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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