

September 25, 1996

Michael Shearn Oil Properties c/o Kellahin & Kellahin P. O. Box 2265 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2265

Attention: W. Thomas Kellahin

RE: Administrative application of Yates Petroleum Corporation ("Yates") for a non-standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit within the Undesignated West Lovington-Strawn Pool to comprise Lots 10 and 11 of Irregular Section 2, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Kellahin:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 16, 1996 objecting to the subject Yates application. Please refer to my letter dated September 9, 1996 denying their request for administrative review. To date I know of no further action taken by Yates in this matter.

Should you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, please contact me in Santa Fe at (505) 827-8185 or through the e-mail at:

"MIKSTOGNER@EMNRDSF.STATE.NM.US.".

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

 cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe William F. Carr - Santa Fe Yates Petroleum Corporation - Artesia

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September 9, 1996

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South Fourth Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Attention: Robert Bullock

RE: Administrative application for a non-standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit within the Undesignated West Lovington-Strawn Pool to comprise Lots 10 and 11 of Irregular Section 2, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Bullock:

The subject application dated September 3, 1996 cannot be approved administratively. **Rule 2** of the "Special Rules and Regulations for the West Lovington-Strawn Pool", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-9722, as amended, describes a standard 80-acre unit for said pool to consist of the N/2, S/2, E/2, or W/2 of a governmental quarter section and since the necessity for the creation of the subject unit does not necessarily fit the requirements of **Rule 3** of said special pool rules, the subject application will be considered only after notice and hearing. Should Yates wish to pursue this matter further please refile accordingly.

Should you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, please contact me in Santa Fe at (505) 827-8185 or through the e-mail at:

"MIKSTOGNER@EMNRDSF.STATE.NM.US.".

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely

Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

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W. THOMAS KELLAHIN*

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*NEW MEXICO BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION RECOGNIZED SPECIALIST IN THE AREA OF NATURAL RESOURCES-OIL AND GAS LAW

JASON KELLAHIN (RETIRED 1991)

September 16, 1996

Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Attn: Michael E. Stogner

Re:	NOTICE OF OBJECTION TO Administrative Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a Non-Standard Proration and Spacing Unit Field APK State Well No. 1 Lots 10 & 11 Section 2, T16S, R35E, NMPM	SEC 1 6 1996
	West Lovington Strawn Pool (Lea County)	Oil Conservation Division

Dear Mr. Stogner:

On behalf of Michael Shearn Oil Properties, and in accordance with Division Rule 104.D, we hereby object to the referenced application filed with the Division by Yates Petroleum Corporation (Yates") letter dated September 3, 1996 (copy enclosed).

Michael Shearn Oil Properties requests that the Division dismiss the Yates' application because Yates failed to comply with Division Rule 104.D(2)(c). Yates has:

- (1) failed to submit to the Division an accurate list of the affected parties;
- (2) failed to submit an accurate plat showing the offset spacing units;
- (3) failed to provide a statement that discusses the necessity for the formation of the subject non-standard spacing unit; and
- (4) failed to set forth the reasons why a standard sized spacing unit is not feasible.

truly yours. W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: Yates Petroleum Corporation cc: Michael Shearn Oil Properties



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105 SOUTH FOURTH STREET ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO 88210 TELEPHONE (505) 748-1471

September 3, 1996

Mr. Michael Stogner New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe. New Mexico 87505 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested

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S. P. VATES CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD JOHN A. YATES

RESIDENT

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EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

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Re: Application for Non-Standard Spacing Unit Field APK State #1 West Lovington Strawn Oil Pool <u>Township 16 South, Range 35 East, NMPM</u> Section 2: Lots 10 and 11 Lea County, New Mexico

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Oil Conservation Division

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests administrative approval for a non-standard spacing unit for an orthodox Strawn oil well, the Field APK State #1. This well is staked on State of New Mexico minerals at a location 1880 ' FEL and 3500' FNL of Section 2, T16S-R35E. The acreage dedicated to the well are Lot 10 and 11.

This well is located in the West Lovington Strawn oil pool which requires 80 acre well dedication. Lots 10 and 11 is the only contiguous 80 acre tract Yates owns in Section 2. It is Yate's desire to drill and operate a 100% Yate's owned well and to do so requires dedication of Lots 10 and 11.

Notification to the offset operators in the N/2 of Section 2 has been made by certified mail on September 3, 1996, including a copy of this application letter with all attachments. We request that this non-standard spacing unit be administratively approved if no objections are received within the cited 20 days, or earlier if waivers are received.

Enclosed are Forms C-101 and C-102, a land plat showing all offset operators and a list of the offset operators.

Yates Petroleum Corporation believes approval of the non-standard spacing unit for the Field APK St. #1 would be in the best interest of conservation and would protect correlative rights for all concerned.

Thank you for your assistance. Please call me at (505) 748-4351 if you need further information.

Very truly yours,

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

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Robert Bullock Landman

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