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By Email Only

Wayne Twin

**Statement of Concern No. 32185  
Spur Petroleum Ltd. (Spur)  
Application No. 32111935**

Dear Wayne Twin:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) about Application No. 32111935. The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has reviewed your SOC, along with the application, and all applicable requirements and other submissions or information about the application. The AER has decided that a hearing is not required to consider the concerns outlined in your SOC.

In our review of your concerns, we considered the following:

- The AER acknowledges your concerns regarding aboriginal rights and traditional land use activities. Aboriginal rights are rights held by a collective, either a First Nation band or a Métis settlement and not by an individual. Therefore, only an SOC filed by a First Nation band or Métis settlement may raise concerns which impact the exercise of aboriginal rights.
- With respect to your concerns about not being able to harvest plants and food, your concerns are general in nature and do not provide specific information about where you and your family carry out these activities or how these activities may be impacted by the proposed project.
- Concerns about the loss of fur bearing animals and compensation for any business losses related to industrial activity on crown lands should be raised with the Alberta Trappers Compensation Board who oversee the Trapper's Compensation Program.
- Concerns regarding traffic relate to matters outside of the AER's jurisdiction and should be addressed by Alberta Transportation or the Municipality, as applicable. In addition, Spur has

indicated mitigations that will be put in place during construction and operation of the pipeline.

These measures include:

- The speeds on Spur lease roads will be restricted to 80 km/hr to decrease the potential for collision with wildlife in the area.
- Speed limits will be included in daily safety meetings and construction crews will take all necessary precautions regarding wildlife traffic.
- Regarding concerns around noise, Spur must comply with the requirements set out in *Directive 038: Noise Control*.
- The AER acknowledges concerns regarding environmental impacts such as health concerns related to chemicals, as well as soil and water contamination. However, these concerns are general and appear operational in nature. The filer may contact the AER Energy and Environmental Emergency 24-Hour Response Line 1-800-222-6514 to file any operational complaints. Spur is required to address all complaints if any arise.

Based on the above, the AER has concluded that it is not necessary to hold a hearing before making a decision on the application. The AER has issued the applied-for licence, and this is your notice of that decision. A copy of the licence is attached.

All AER-regulated parties must comply not only with the conditions of their authorizations, but with all of the AER's regulatory requirements. To ensure industry compliance the AER has developed its *Integrated Compliance Assurance Framework*, which embodies the three main components of all effective compliance assurance programs, those being education, prevention, and enforcement. You can find out more about how the AER verifies industry compliance and responds to noncompliance here: <https://aer.ca/regulating-development/compliance/compliance-assurance-program>.

You may file a regulatory appeal on the AER's decision to issue the licence if you meet the criteria within section 36 of the *Responsible Energy Development Act*. Filing instructions and forms are located here: <https://www.aer.ca/regulating-development/project-application/regulatory-appeal-process>.

If you have any questions, please contact [SOC@aer.ca](mailto:SOC@aer.ca).

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

Lane Peterson  
Director, Oil & Gas Surface  
Regulator Applications  
/as

Attachment (1): Licence

cc: Jeremy Hrdlicka, Spur Petroleum Ltd.  
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