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New Edition of *Specified Enactment Direction 002*

Today, we released a new edition of *Specified Enactment Direction 002: Application Submission Requirements and Guidance for Reclamation Certificates for Well Sites and Associated Facilities (SED 002)*. *SED 002* sets out the information requirements under the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act (EPEA)* for reclamation certificate applications for energy resource development and brine-hosted-mineral resource development, including associated facilities and pipelines.

We updated the SED to address commonly asked questions by clarifying expectations, requirements, processes, and terminology. The following are the key revisions to the SED:

- The term “licensee” was replaced with “operator,” a term defined in *EPEA*.
- The term “land manager” was clarified to include specific roles.
- Processes have been documented, such as the multi-regulator assignments.
- *SED 002* was reorganized to improve its flow and to better align with the application sequence in OneStop.

The Government of Alberta, through the Ministry of Environment and Protected Areas, retains the responsibility to establish and set reclamation standards, criteria, guidelines, and directives for the conservation and reclamation of specified land. We will review reclamation applications against the standards, criteria, guidelines, and directives to verify that outcomes were achieved.

The revised edition of *SED 002* is available on our [Specified Enactment Directions](#) webpage. If you have any questions, contact our Customer Contact Centre by phone at 1-855-297-8311 or by email at inquiries@aer.ca.