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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Application No. 1383214

ExxonMobil Resources Ltd. and ExxonMobil Canada Ltd. (ExxonMobil) applied pursuant to Section 2.020 of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations* to drill a vertical natural gas well with 1.0 per cent hydrogen sulphide (H₂S) present from a surface location of Legal Subdivision 8, Section 3, Township 19, Range 29 West of the 4th Meridian (the 8-3-19-29W4 well). The purpose of this well is to obtain gas production from the Cutbank Formation.

1.2 Intervention

Western Feedlot Ltd. owns the land encompassed within Section 3, Township 19, Range 29, West of the 4th Meridian. Western Feedlot's concerns with the proposed location were verbal in nature and pertained to the potential for disruption of its future business operations.

1.3 Hearing

The Board was scheduled to hold a public hearing in High River, Alberta, on April 28, 2005, before Board Member T. M. McGee (Presiding Member) and Acting Board Members F. Rahnama, Ph.D., and C. D. Hill.

2 DISCUSSION

ExxonMobil engaged in ongoing negotiations with Western Feedlot during the application process. On April 20, 2005, Western Feedlot signed a surface lease agreement with ExxonMobil and no longer had concerns with the application. By letter dated April 26, 2005, the Board cancelled the hearing.

Application No. 1383214 for the 8-3-19-29W4 well was approved.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on May 6, 2005.

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