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Decision 2006-008 Application No. 1415532

DECISION

The Alberta Energy and Utilities Board has considered the findings and recommendations set out in the following examiner report and adopts the recommendations.

DATED at Calgary, Alberta, on February 21, 2006.

ALBERTA ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD

(Original signed by)

B. T. McManus, Q.C. Board Member

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EXAMINER REPORT RESPECTING
PRIMEWEST ENERGY INC.
APPLICATION FOR COMMON CARRIER AND
COMMON PROCESSOR DECLARATIONS
CLEAR HILLS FIELD

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1 RECOMMENDATION

The examiners recommend that the hearing scheduled to consider Application No. 1415532 be cancelled and that the withdrawal of the application be approved, in accordance with Section 20 of the *Alberta Energy and Utilities Board Rules of Practice*.

1.1 Application

PrimeWest Energy Inc. (PrimeWest) applied to the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB/Board)

- under Section 48(1) of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Act (OGCA)* for an order declaring Canadian Natural Resources Limited (CNRL) as a common carrier of gas from the Clear Hills Charlie Lake D Pool (the D Pool) through a pipeline extending from Legal Subdivision 6 of Section 11, Township 88, Range 11, West of the 6th Meridian (LSD 6-11-88-11 W6M) (the 6-11 tie-in) to the CNRL gas plant located in LSD 16-11-88-13 W6M (the CNRL gas plant);
- under Section 53(1) of the *OGCA* for an order declaring CNRL as a common processor of gas from the D Pool through the CNRL gas plant;
- under Section 48(4)(a) of the OGCA for the EUB to designate the 6-11 tie-in location as the point at which the common carrier shall take delivery of the gas to be transported under the common carrier order;
- under Sections 48(4)(b) and 53(5)(a) of the *OGCA* for the EUB to direct the proportion of production to be taken by the common carrier and common processor from each producer or owner in the subject pool; and
- under Section 56 of the *OGCA* for the above-noted orders to be effective as of the date of the application, August 23, 2005.

PrimeWest had submitted that it had filed the application because it had been unable to obtain a satisfactory arrangement for capacity in CNRL's pipeline and gas plant.

1.2 Hearing

The application was scheduled to be considered at a public hearing in Calgary, Alberta, commencing February 28, 2006, before Board-appointed examiners G. W. Dilay, P.Eng. (Presiding Member), G. A. Habib, and T. A. Dibus, P.Geol.

2 DISCUSSION

The EUB issued a Notice of Hearing for the subject application on December 14, 2005, and an amended Notice of Hearing on January 17, 2006. By letter dated February 1, 2006, PrimeWest advised the EUB that it was withdrawing the application, and it requested that the EUB cancel the scheduled hearing.

As the application has been withdrawn, there is no longer any need for the public hearing or for any further process respecting the application. The examiners therefore recommend that the hearing be cancelled and that the withdrawal of the application be approved.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on February 21, 2006.

ALBERTA ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD

(Original signed by)G. W. Dilay, P.Eng.Presiding Member

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