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CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED APPLICATIONS FOR A WELL LICENCE AND A PIPELINE LICENCE BASHAW FIELD

Decision 2007-009
Applications No. 1481993 and 1482699

1 DECISION

Pursuant to Section 20 of the *Alberta Energy and Utilities Board Rules of Practice*, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB/Board) hereby accepts Canadian Natural Resources Limited's (CNRL's) request to withdraw Applications No. 1481993 and 1482699.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Applications

CNRL applied to the EUB, pursuant to Section 2.020 of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations*, for a licence to drill a well from a surface location in Legal Subdivision (LSD) 1 of Section 29, Township 42, Range 22, West of the 4th Meridian, to obtain coalbed methane gas production from the Horseshoe Canyon Formation. The maximum hydrogen sulphide (H₂S) concentration in the gas to be produced from the well was anticipated to be 0.00 moles per kilomole (0.00 per cent).

CNRL also applied, in accordance with Part 4 of the *Pipeline Act*, for approval to construct and operate a pipeline to transport coalbed methane natural gas from the proposed well to a pipeline tie-in point at LSD 6-28-42-22W4M. The pipeline was proposed to be about 1.1 kilometres in length, with a maximum outside diameter of 114.3 millimetres.

2.2 Intervention

Landowners and residents Greg Henderson and Arleen Henderson (the Hendersons) opposed approval of the applications. The Hendersons' concerns were related to water quality, well location, and property value.

3 DISCUSSION

The Board had scheduled a public hearing to commence on January 26, 2007. Subsequently, discussions between CNRL and the Hendersons resulted in an agreement. On January 19, 2007, the EUB received a withdrawal of objection from the Hendersons.

Subsequent to the agreement being reached, CNRL decided to change the location of the applied-for well and pipeline and requested approval to withdraw the applications. The Board approves the withdrawal of the applications and the hearing is cancelled.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on February 6, 2007.

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