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SULLIVAN LAKE FIELD Applications No. 1510138 and 1510141

DECISION

The Energy Resources Conservation Board has considered the findings and recommendations set out in the following examiner report, adopts the recommendations, and directs that Applications No. 1510138 and 1510141 be approved.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on September 16, 2008.

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EXAMINER REPORT RESPECTING
CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED
APPLICATIONS FOR TWO FACILITY LICENCES
SULLIVAN LAKE FIELD
Applications No. 1510138 and 1510141

1 RECOMMENDATION

Having received Applications No. 1510138 and 1510141, noting that it meets Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB/Board) requirements, and noting the receipt of a confirmation of nonobjection from the intervening party, the examiner panel recommends cancellation of the hearing and that Applications No. 1510138 and 1510141 be approved.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Applications

Canadian Natural Resources Limited (CNRL) submitted applications in accordance with Section 7.001 of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations* requesting licences for two existing single-well oil battery facilities. These facilities had been exempt from licensing but now require licences. The facilities are located at Legal Subdivision (LSD) 8, Section 20, Township 34, Range 13, West of the 4th Meridian (the 8-20 facility) and LSD 8-18-34-13W4M (the 8-18 facility) in the Sullivan Lake Field. The well site facilities consist of a three-phase separator, a blowdown tank, an oil storage tank, and a flare stack. The purpose of the facilities would be to separate, measure, and store production from the wells at the same sites.

2.2 Intervention

The intervening parties are Norman Storch and Leona Storch (the Storches), who own the land where the 8-20 facility is located and land about 0.46 kilometres from the 8-18 facility. Their objections were based on concerns for health and safety related to flaring at the sites and conservation of gas produced with oil at the sites.

3 DISCUSSION

CNRL engaged in ERCB field facilitation meetings with the Storches. The meetings resulted in an agreement between the parties, and following field testing at the 8-20 facility, withdrawal of objection for that site was received by the ERCB on February 28, 2008. Following field testing at the 8-18 facility, withdrawal of objection for that site was received by the ERCB on July 11, 2008.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on September 5, 2008.

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