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## **ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION BOARD**

Calgary Alberta

CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED

APPLICATIONS FOR WELLS AND A FACILITY

COLD LAKE FIELD

Applications No. 1620316 and 1620317

#### 1 DECISION

The Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB/Board) having noted the receipt of a confirmation of nonobjection from the intervening parties has accepted the applicant's request to withdraw its applications and has cancelled the public hearing.

#### 2 DESCRIPTION OF THE APPLICATIONS

## **2.1** Application No. 1620316

Canadian Natural Resources Limited (CNRL) applied, in accordance with Section 2.020 of the Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations (OGCR), to drill four slant wells from a multiwell pad at a surface location in Legal Subdivision (LSD) 9, Section 13, Township 63, Range 3, West of the 4th Meridian, to bottomhole locations in LSD 9-13-63-3W4M, LSD 10-13-63-3W4M, LSD 15-13-63-3W4M and LSD 16-13-63-3W4M. The purpose of these wells would be to target crude bitumen with no hydrogen sulphide from the Sparky Formation.

## **2.2** Application No. 1620317

To process the production from the proposed wells, CNRL applied, in accordance with Section 7.001 of the OGCR, for a facility licence to construct and operate a multiwell battery at LSD 9-13-63-3W4M.

## 2.3 Intervening Parties

An objection to the applications was filed by Allen Anshelm and Vanessa Anshelm.

#### 3 DISCUSSION

The Board was scheduled to hold a public hearing in Cold Lake, Alberta, on May 5, 2010, before Board Member Gordon Miller (Presiding Member) and Board Member Mike Bruni Q.C. and Acting Board Member Andy Warren P. Eng.

The applicant engaged in the ERCB Appropriate Dispute Resolution program with the intervener on January 12, 2010. The process resulted in an agreement between parties, and on March 19, 2010, a signed withdrawal of objection was received by the ERCB. CNRL withdrew its applications and resubmitted new applications in accordance to its agreement with the intervening parties.

Accordingly, the public hearing was cancelled.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on March 29, 2010.

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Gordon Miller Presiding Member