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ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION BOARD

Calgary Alberta

CONOCOPHILLIPS CANADA OPERATIONS LTD. APPLICATIONS FOR 5 WELL LICENCES PEMBINA FIELD Decision 2010-035 Applications No. 1643655, 1643658, 1643660, 1643784, and 1644050

1 DECISION

The Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB/Board) has accepted the applicant's request to withdraw its applications and has cancelled the public hearing.

2 APPLICATIONS

ConocoPhillips Canada Operations Ltd. (Conoco) applied to the ERCB for licences to drill five E-610 critical sour wells; three wells from a surface location in Legal Subdivision (LSD) 11 of Section 8, Township 48, Range 8, West of the 5th Meridian, and two wells from a surface location in LSD 15-7-48-8W5M. The maximum hydrogen sulphide (H₂S) concentration was approximately 307 moles per kilomole (30.7 per cent) and the cumulative drilling H₂S release rates was 5 cubic metres per second (m³/s) with corresponding emergency planning zones of 1.98 kilometres (km). The purpose of the wells was to obtain oil production from the Nisku Formation. The proposed wells were to be located approximately 7 kilometres southwest of Violet Grove.

Objections to the applications were filed by Art and Betty Frey, Cliff and Audrey Whitelock, Rod Seely and Alice Seely, and the Pembina Agricultural Protection Association.

3 DISCUSSION

On November 8, 2010, the applicant notified the ERCB that it was withdrawing the applications pursuant to Section 21 of the *Energy Resources Conservation Board Rules of Practice*, and the Board accepted the withdrawal of the applications. Accordingly, the public hearing was cancelled.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on November 19, 2010.

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