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ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION BOARD

Calgary Alberta

ENBRIDGE PIPELINES (ATHABASCA) INC.
APPLICATIONS FOR A PIPELINE AND PIPELINE
INSTALLATION LICENCES
ATHABASCA OIL SANDS AREA

2011 ABERCB 004 Applications No. 1675154, 1653762, 1653763, 1653765, and 1675268

1 DECISION

The Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB/Board) hereby approves Applications No. 1675154, 1653762, 1653763, 1653765, and 1675268, noting that they meet ERCB requirements and noting the receipt of a withdrawal of objection from the sole intervening party.

2 APPLICATIONS

Enbridge Pipelines (Athabasca) Inc. (Enbridge) applied, pursuant to Part 4 of the *Pipeline Act*, for approval to construct and operate a pipeline and associated pipeline installations as part of the Enbridge Wood Buffalo pipeline project. The project includes the construction and operation of a 91.8 kilometre pipeline for the purpose of transporting blended bitumen with a maximum H₂S concentration of 0.07 moles per kilomole (0.007 per cent) from the existing Enbridge Athabasca Tank Terminal to the existing Enbridge Cheecham Terminal.

The project also includes the construction and operation of eight new electric pump stations; the amendment of Licence 51919 to resume operations in existing pipeline segments, to increase the maximum H_2S concentration from 0.0 moles per kilomole to 0.07 moles per kilomole (0.007 per cent), and to change the transported substance from high vapour pressure/low vapour pressure/crude oil (HVP/LVP/CO) to crude oil; and the replacement of two existing pump stations.

3 INTERVENTION

An objection to the Applications was filed by Mikisew Cree First Nation (MCFN). The Board decided that the MCFN had met the test in Section 26(2) of the *Energy Resources Conservation Act* and hence a hearing of the Applications should be held.

4 DISCUSSION

The Board assigned a panel to hear these Applications comprised of Vice-Chairman B. T. McManus, Q.C, (Presiding Member) and Board Members T. L. Watson, P.Eng., and T. C. Engen. On January 19, 2011, the Board received a withdrawal of objection from the MCFN. Accordingly, a public hearing will not be held.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on January 26, 2011.

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B. T. McManus, Q.C. Vice-Chairman