

## 2021 ABAER 005

Proceeding 402 Secure Energy Services Inc. 5.5 Kilometres from Fox Creek, Alberta

## Application 1928126

## Decision

[1] The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) hearing panel assigned to this proceeding, noting that the filer has withdrawn their statement of concern and that a hearing is no longer necessary, directs authorized AER staff to disposition application 1928126 (the application).

## Discussion

[2] On April 8, 2020, Secure Energy Services Inc. applied under section 39(1) (c) and (d) of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Act* to amend disposal scheme no. 11207C for its well at Legal Subdivision (LSD) 09, Section 22, Township 62, Range 20, West of the 5th Meridian (102/09-22 well). The well is for Class II and Ib disposal into the Lower Debolt zone. Secure is requesting to reduce the maximum wellhead injection pressure from 21 600 to 19 000 kPa. Currently, the well is shut-in, and Secure is waiting for a decision on the subject application to resume disposal operations.

[3] On May 7, 2020, Sprocket Energy Corporation filed statement of concern 31747 regarding the application. The AER referred the application to hearing on August 12, 2020, and a notice of hearing was issued on September 2, 2020.

[4] On September 30, 2020, Secure and Sprocket filed a joint request to adjourn the hearing process to allow time to further discuss the issues in Sprocket's statement of concern. The AER granted the request and adjourned the hearing process until January 4, 2021.

[5] On January 6, 2021, Secure and Sprocket jointly requested a further adjournment to the end of January, 2021. The parties said their discussions were progressing but that additional time was needed to resolve the remaining issues of concern. A further adjournment was granted to January 31, 2021. Two subsequent adjournments were granted based on joint requests from Secure and Sprocket to give them time to finalize an agreement. March 15, 2021, was the last deadline.

[6] On March 4, 2021, Sprocket filed a letter withdrawing its statement of concern and stating that it did not want to participate in a hearing as its concerns had been resolved.

[7] In light of the above, the panel accepts Sprocket's withdrawal of statement of concern 31747. In addition, because we have not identified any unresolved concerns that should be dealt with in a hearing, the public hearing is cancelled.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on March 16, 2021.

Alberta Energy Regulator

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Presiding Hearing Commissioner