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February 8, 2018

Calvin Dyck

CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMTIED APPLICATION NO. 118993 STATEMENT OF CONCERN NO. 30517

Dear Calvin Dyck:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern about Application No. 118993. The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has reviewed your statement of concern, along with the application, the applicable requirements, and other submissions or information about the application. The AER has decided that a hearing is not required under an enactment, or necessary, to consider the concerns outlined in your statement of concern.

In its review of your concerns, the AER considered the following:

- The site was reclaimed in 2005 and you have farmed the site together with the surrounding lands for several years.
- The detailed site assessment (DSA) conducted on May 24, 2016, found that landscape, soils, and vegetation, including weeds and invasive species, at the sites were comparable to offsite adjacent lands. The findings in the DSA indicate that the site meets the 2010 Reclamation Criteria for Wellsites and Associated Facilities for Cultivated Lands (Reclamation Criteria).
- On July 13, 2017, an AER site assessor completed a site inspection and found that onsite conditions (landscape, soils, and vegetation) appeared equivalent to offsite and the site appeared to meet Reclamation Criteria.
- Regarding your concerns about ridges in the soil at the site, the ridging and subsidence noted by the AER at the site was very minor in nature, with rip marks less than 10 cm in depth occurring approximately 1.5 m apart over an area of 25x

25 meters. It does not adversely affect the vegetation or operability of the site, and meets the landscape parameters under the Reclamation Criteria.

Based on the above, you have not demonstrated that you may be directly and adversely affected by the issuance of the Reclamation Certificate or that the AER should hold a hearing before making its decision on the application. The AER has issued the applied-for certificate and this is your notice of that decision. A copy of the certificate is attached.

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Under the *Responsible Energy Development Act* an eligible person may file a request for a regulatory appeal on an appealable decision. Eligible persons and appealable decisions are defined in section 36 of the *Responsible Energy Development Act* and section 3.1 of the *Responsible Energy Development Act General Regulation*. If you wish to file a request for regulatory appeal, you must submit your request in the form and manner and within the timeframe required by the AER. You can find filing requirements and forms on the AER website, <a href="http://www.aer.ca/applications-and-notices/appeals">http://www.aer.ca/applications-and-notices/appeals</a>.

If you have any questions, contact Lynn Maric at 403-297-5292 or e-mail Lynn.Maric@aer.ca.

Sincerely, <Original signed by>

Tania De Silva Director, Oil &Gas Closure and Liability

Enclosure (1): Reclamation Certificate

cc:

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