

BY EMAIL ONLY

November 19, 2018

Richard J. Bruggencate

BONAVISTA ENERGY CORPORATION

APPLICATION NO. 147106

STATEMENT OF CONCERN NO. 31029

Dear Mr. Bruggencate:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern about Application No. 147106. The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has reviewed your statement of concern, along with the company's application, and all applicable requirements and other submissions or information about the application. The AER has decided that a hearing is not required to consider the concerns outlined in your statement of concern.

In our review of your concerns, we considered the following:

- A Detailed Site Assessment (DSA) was conducted by Ram River Environmental Consultants Ltd. on August 12, 2016 and September 18, 2017. The DSA showed that the conditions of the vegetation, landscape and soil were comparable both onsite and offsite. The DSA indicated that all parameters of the *2010 Reclamation criteria for Wellsites and Associated Facilities for Cultivated Lands* (Reclamation Criteria) were met.
- AER staff conducted a site inspection on August 7, 2018 and your concerns regarding crop reduction were considered. The site inspection showed that the vegetation, soil and landscape was comparable both onsite and offsite.
- Information from the site inspection and the DSA demonstrate that the Reclamation Criteria were met.
- The Reclamation Criteria are applied "to evaluate whether a site has met equivalent land capability." Given that the site meets the Reclamation Criteria, the AER is satisfied that the site has met equivalent land capability and that your concerns have been addressed.

Based on the above, the AER has concluded that it is not necessary to hold a hearing before making a decision on the application. The AER has issued the applied-for

Reclamation Certificate and this is your notice of that decision. A copy of the Reclamation Certificate is attached.

You may file a regulatory appeal on the AER's decision to issue the Reclamation Certificate if you meet the criteria within section 36 of the *Responsible Energy Development Act*. Filing instructions and forms are on our website under Regulatory Appeal Process.

If you have any questions, contact Megan Carfantan at 403-297-8415 or Megan.Carfantan@aer.ca.

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

Tania De Silva

Director, Oil, Gas & Pipeline

Enclosure (1): **Reclamation Certificate**

cc: Colin Hannel, Bonavista Energy Corporation
Blake Crawford, Ram River Environmental Consultants Ltd.
AER SOC Assessor
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