

November 26, 2020

By Mail Only

Catherine Hager-Lawrence  
Maple View Farms Ltd.

**Statement of Concern No. 31619**  
**Husky Oil Operations Limited**  
**Application No. 1687504**  
**Surface Location: 04-36-040-01W4**

Dear Catherine Hager-Lawrence:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) about Application No. 1687504. The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has reviewed your SOC, along with the 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 SOC.

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

- A Detailed Site Assessment (DSA) was conducted on August 24, 2019, which showed that the conditions of the vegetation, landscape and soil were comparable both onsite and offsite. The DSA indicates that all parameters of the *2010 Reclamation Criteria for Wellsites and Associated Facilities for Cultivated Lands* (Reclamation Criteria) were met.
- After two site inspections on August 6, 2020 and November 3, 2020, the AER's Reclamation Assessor has deemed the vegetation parameters satisfactory. It was also determined that the occupant, Mr. Chris Hager, was satisfied with the crop yield on site, therefore, the concerns around yield loss have been resolved.
- In regards to your concerns around contouring across the site, the Reclamation Assessor determined that the contours on and off site are similar. Given the findings made in the DSA and during the AER site inspection visits, 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 certificate and this is your notice of that decision. A copy of the certificate is enclosed.

All AER-regulated parties must comply not only with the conditions of their authorizations, but with all of the AER's regulatory requirements. To ensure industry compliance the AER has developed its *Integrated Compliance Assurance Framework*, which embodies the three main components of all effective compliance assurance programs, those being education, prevention, and enforcement. You can find out more about how the AER verifies industry compliance and responds to noncompliance here: <https://aer.ca/regulating-development/compliance/compliance-assurance-program>.

You may file a regulatory appeal on the AER's decision to issue the certificate if you meet the criteria within section 36 of the *Responsible Energy Development Act*. Filing instructions and forms are located here: <https://www.aer.ca/regulating-development/project-application/regulatory-appeal-process>.

If you have any questions please contact [SOC@aer.ca](mailto:SOC@aer.ca).

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

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Enclosure (1): Certificate

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