

February 26, 2020

By Email Only

Jessica Lowen  
**Bellatrix Exploration Ltd.**

**STATEMENTS OF CONCERN NO. 31694 and 31693  
TAQA NORTH LTD.  
APPLICATIONS NO. 1737042 and 1737052**

Dear Jessica Lowen:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) about Applications No. **1737042 and 1737052**. The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has reviewed your SOC, along with the applications, and all applicable requirements and other submissions or information about the applications. The AER has decided that a hearing is not required to consider the concerns outlined in your SOC.

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

- The concerns about the working interest percentages are a private contractual matter between TAQA North Ltd and Bellatrix Exploration Ltd. and are outside the jurisdiction of the AER.
- The project is proposed to be located on the O'Chiese First Nations reserve lands. Approval was received from the O'Chiese First Nations and Indian Oil and Gas Canada to develop the pad site.
- The application meets all the requirements of the AER *Directive 056: Energy Development Applications and Schedules*.

Based on the above, the AER has concluded that it is not necessary to hold a hearing before making a decision on the applications. The AER has issued the applied-for licences and this is your notice of that decision. Copies of the licences are attached.

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 licences 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,

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Enclosures (2): Well Licences

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