

BY E-MAIL ONLY

March 23, 2018

Mr. Murray Allan James

CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED

APPLICATIONS NO. 1898833 AND 1898834

STATEMENT OF CONCERN NO. 30887

Dear Sir:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern about applications no. 1898833 and 1898834. The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has reviewed your statement of concern, along with the applications, the applicable requirements, and other submissions or information about the applications. 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:

- You do not own the property on which the project is proposed.
- Your concerns about the impact on your water well and property value are general in nature, and there is insufficient information to determine that they would be negatively affected.
- Your concerns about effects of the wells on your water well are addressed by AER requirements that surface casing be set and cemented to a depth that is intended to protect the deepest aquifer. Additionally, Canadian Natural Resources Limited (CNRL) has offered to test your water well prior to project commencement.
- In response to your concerns about noise, CNRL has committed to installing insulated well shacks and sound barrier panels on the north side of the pad site. The AER has implemented this as a condition of the facility approval. Additionally, AER *Directive 038* establishes maximum permissible daytime and nighttime noise levels that CNRL is required to meet in order to control

unacceptable noise impacts from its facility. CNRL will also be required to address operational noise complaints if any arise.

- Canadian Natural Resources Limited is required to meet all environmental and regulatory guidelines and requirements.
- The objections raised in your statement of concern (SOC) have been addressed to AER's satisfaction.

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Based on the above, you have not demonstrated that you may be directly and adversely affected by approval of the applications or that the AER should hold a hearing before making its 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.

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, <http://www.aer.ca/applications-and-notice/appeals>.

If you have any questions, contact Brittney Goudreau at 780-641-9038 or e-mail Brittney.Goudreau@er.ca.

Sincerely,

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Acting Director, In Situ Authorizations

Enclosure (3): **(Licences)**

cc: Arly Castillo, Canadian Natural Resources Limited
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