

BY EMAIL ONLY

July 10, 2019

Mr. Neal Bruce Knopp
RR#1 Leslieville, AB

BONAVISTA ENERGY CORP.
APPLICATION NO. 1918525
STATEMENT OF CONCERN NO. 31443

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern about Application No. 1918525. 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, the AER considered the following:

- Regarding your concerns about the setback of approximately 5 meters on the west border of your land, you have not provided any permits or development plans as evidence of future development that may be impacted by the setback.
- Bonavista Energy Corp. (Bonavista) has stated that they moved the well center approximately 30 meters from the original location which is now 95m from the boundary of your land and cannot move the proposed well location any further based on the lease size and consideration for the landowner's farming area.
- Regarding your concerns about the impact on the safe operation of your existing airstrip, you have not provided any evidence that the proposed facility will result in additional restrictions to the operation of the airstrip. The permanent equipment will be lower than the treeline along the east and south property lines, and Bonavista is prepared to conduct drilling operations in the winter months to avoid conflicting with flying activities during the summer season.

Based on the above, the AER has issued the applied-for licence and this is your notice of that decision. A copy of the licence is 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 licence 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.

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

Rob Cruickshank

Director, Business Process, Authorizations

Attachment: **Licence**

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