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By Email Only

Brian Kohlhammer; VP Finance and Chief Financial Officer Clearview Resources Ltd. (Clearview)

Statement of Concern No. 32009 Transferor Obsidian Energy Ltd. Transferee Vantage Point Resources Inc. (Vantage Point) Application No. 1933612

Dear Mr. Kohlhammer:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) on behalf of Clearview with regard to Application No. 1933612. 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:

- The AER has reviewed the application and is satisfied that Vantage Point meets the requirements of Directive 006: *Licensee Liability Rating (LLR) Program and Licence Transfer Process.*
- The concerns regarding joint venture partnerships are contractual in nature, and outside the scope of the current application.
- Clearview expressed concerns relating to private company financial disputes. Concerns of this nature are outside the jurisdiction of the AER.
- The SOC filer has not demonstrated a direct and adverse impact as a result of the current application.

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 approval, and this is your notice of that decision. A copy of the approval is attached.

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If you have any questions please contact SOC@aer.ca.

Sincerely,

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Trevor Gosselin Director, Transfers, SOC & Support Regulatory Application /as

Attachment (1): Approval

cc: Deanna Barrell, Obsidian Energy Inc. Guy Jones, Vantage Point Resources Inc. Karen Dembicki, Vantage Point Resources Inc. Marnie Wildeman, AER SOC Inbox, AER Field Operations South, AER