

Proceedings 429

June 27, 2023

By email only

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AER, Regulatory Applications Branch

Attention: Candice Ross

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Goose Creek Resources Ltd

Attention: Craig Dansereau

Re: Regulatory Appeal 1942140

Goose Creek Resources Ltd. (Goose Creek)

Dear Parties:

I am writing to you on behalf of Parand Meysami (presiding), Cindy Chiasson, and Harold Robinson, the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) hearing panel (the panel) for this proceeding.

Participation

On June 5, 2023, a notice of hearing for proceeding 429 was issued. The deadline for interested individuals to submit a request to participate was June 19, 2023. Responses to requests to participate were due June 26, 2023.

The notice for proceeding 429 identified Goose Creek and the AER's Regulatory Applications Branch (Regulatory Applications) as parties to the regulatory appeal. Goose Creek and Regulatory Applications needed to confirm their intention to participate in the hearing, and the nature and scope of their participation, in writing by June 19, 2023.

On June 12, 2023, Regulatory Applications confirmed it intends to fully participate in the hearing, including providing evidence, information requests, if required, cross-examining witnesses, and delivering argument.

On June 14, 2023, Goose Creek confirmed it intends to fully participate in the hearing.

No other requests to participate were received, and no responses to requests to participate were received. Therefore, the panel confirms the parties to proceeding 429 are Goose Creek and Regulatory Applications.

Hearing Issues and Information Requests

The panel would like to hear the parties' views on the issues for proceeding 429.

Section 12 of the AER *Rules of Practice* sets out the process and procedures for information requests (IR). The panel requests that the parties provide comments on whether a formal information request process before the hearing is necessary.

Dates, Format and Location

The panel is setting aside October 3–5 (if the proceeding does not include an IR process) or October 24–27, 2023, for a two- to three-day hearing. The Hearing Commissioners' Office anticipates limited availability in the fall and winter of 2023/24 due to the number of hearings planned then. As such, the panel requests the parties do their best to align their schedules for both or either of the two proposed timeframes.

Hearings can be held in different formats: oral and in-person, electronic, or written. For this matter the panel is considering an in-person oral hearing in Govier Hall at the AER's Calgary head office.

Conclusion

In summary, the panel requests comments from the parties on each of the following:

- hearing issues
- information requests
- hearing date
- hearing location

Please provide your comments to Hearing.Services@aer.ca no later than 4:00 pm (MST) on July 11, 2023. The parties may then provide a response to each other's comments to Hearing.Services@aer.ca no later than 4:00 pm (MST) on July 17, 2023.

Sincerely,

Denise Parsons for Tara Wheaton Hearing Coordinator, Hearing Services

cc: M. LaCasse and S. Poitras, AER counsel for the panel