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By Email Only

Joseph Letourneau of Hunter Spirit Energy Corporation,  
on behalf of Stoney Nakoda TsuuT'ina Tribal Council.**Statement of Concern No. 32300  
Ranahan Resources Limited  
Applications No. 1948471, 1948472, 1948495, 1949082 and 1948553**

Dear Sir:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) about the aforementioned Applications. 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, we considered the following:

- The AER acknowledges your concerns regarding Crown consultation; however, this is out of the AER's jurisdiction and should be addressed by the Aboriginal Consultation Office.
- Your concerns regarding reclamation strategies are out of scope for the subject applications. You will have the opportunity to submit an SOC at the time a reclamation certificate application is submitted. Moreover, these applications are administrative in nature, and the approvals will not authorize any additional adverse effects on the environment.
- Your concern about the applicant's ability to meet of end of lifecycle obligations is general in nature, and there was insufficient information provided to show how you may be directly and adversely effected by the approval of the applications.

Based on the above, the AER has concluded that it is not necessary to hold a hearing before making a decision on the applications. Pending acceptance and satisfaction of the approval condition, the AER may issue the applied-for approval and you will be notified when those decisions are made.

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 approval 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,

<Original Signed By>

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