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By Email Only

Graeme Wright
NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL)

**Statement of Concern No. 31864
Peyto Exploration & Development Corp. (Peyto)
Application No. 31006355**

Dear Sir/Madam:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) about Application No. 31006355. 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 NGTL's concerns, we considered the following:

- In review of the prior rights within the project location, there was no reservation, notation or overlap with existing dispositions to indicate notification of or consent from NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd was required in relation to the Application.
- Public Notice for the Application was issued on January 06, 2021. The AER Public Notice of Application provides all stakeholders with notice and the ability to object to an application before the AER, including those who may not have been directly notified by the applicant.
- The project is not located within any higher-level plans that give rise to additional notification requirements.
- Peyto has met the AER's notification requirements for its Public Lands Act Application, and the AER is satisfied that NGTL's concerns have been addressed.

The AER has not yet made a decision on the Application and you will be notified when that decision is made. If a hearing on the application is to be held for another reason, a notice of hearing will be published.

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>.

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

Sincerely,

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