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By Email Only

Werner and Sharon Ambros

**Statements of Concern No. 32005 and 32006  
Tamarack Acquisition Corp.  
Applications No. 31258979, 31266586**

Dear Werner and Sharon Ambros:

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) about Applications No. 31258979, 31266586. The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has reviewed your SOCs, 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 SOCs.

In our review of your concerns, we considered the following:

- Your residence is not within the well (0.03 km) or the pipeline's (0.1 km) Emergency Protection Zones (EPZ). Your residence is at least 0.676 km away from the pipeline and 0.688 km from the nearest proposed well. Furthermore, because you are not occupants or landowners along the pipeline's Right of Way, and thus, pursuant to Table 3 of *Directive 56: Energy Development Applications and Schedules*, were not entitled to either notification or personal consultation and confirmation of nonobjection (although you were notified under Section 3.2.1(4)).
- While the EPZ extends onto your land, you did not provide any evidence as to how the land covered by the EPZ is used or how its use might be affected.
- In regards to your concerns around impacts to water supply and contamination, Tamarack is required to follow all AER requirements that surface casing be set and cemented to a depth that is intended to protect the deepest aquifer. In addition, Tamarack has committed to testing the chemistry of the spring and water well in question before and after drilling operations as well as performing a complete well flow test will be performed as backup mitigation if the testing is not found suitable.
- Your concerns regarding the continuous development in the area are general in nature and are beyond the scope of these applications.

- Concerns about future applications are outside the scope of this application. As per *Directive 056: Energy Development Applications and Schedules*, Tamarack is required to include concerned parties in its participant involvement notification program for any future infrastructure applications in the area and to notify them when those applications are submitted.
- In relation to your concerns regarding safety, Tamarack is required to comply with *Directive 071: Emergency Preparedness and Response Requirements for the Petroleum Industry* should any emergency situations arise.
- In relation to your concerns regarding noise and disruptions, Tamarack is required to comply with *Directive 038: Noise Control* and address all operational noise complaints, if any arise. In addition, Tamarack has stated that it is currently working to alleviate these concerns and will continue to do so.

Based on the above, the AER has concluded that it is not necessary to hold a hearing before making a decision on the applications. The AER has issued the applied-for licences and this is your notice of that decision. A copy of the licences 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 licences 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,

*Originally Signed by*

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Attachment (2): Licences

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