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By Email Only

Maxine Mailer

Statement of Concern No. 32231
Saturn Oil & Gas Inc. (Saturn Oil & Gas)
Application No. 32346541
Location: 10-27-038-05 W4M

Dear Maxine Mailer,

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) about Application No. 32346541. 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:

- A Detailed Site Assessment (DSA) was conducted on October 28, 2021 (soils, vegetation, and landscape) which showed that the conditions of the lease were comparable both onsite and offsite. An AER Reclamation Assessor reviewed the DSA and confirmed that all parameters of the *2010 Reclamation Criteria for Wellsites and Associated Facilities for Cultivated Lands (Updated 2013)* were met.
- A site visit was conducted on June 29, 2023 wherein AER staff confirmed that the site conditions appeared to be comparable both on and offsite and met the Reclamation Criteria.

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 reclamation certificate and this is your notice of that decision. A copy of the reclamation certificate 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 reclamation certificate 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.

Sincerely,

< *Original Signed By* >

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Attachment (1): Reclamation Certificate

cc: Jamie Kuntz, Saturn Oil & Gas
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