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By email only: mjps@xplornet.com
William Brown

Statement of Concern No. 32955
Whitecap Resources Incorporated (Whitecap)
Application No. 33709697

Dear William Brown,

You are receiving this letter because you filed a statement of concern (SOC) about Application No. 33709697. 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 August 7, 2024, for the landscape, soils, and vegetation. The DSA included a review of landscape and soil operability and found that contours, soils, and vegetation were consistent with offsite conditions. The DSA indicated that all parameters of the *2010 Reclamation criteria for Wellsites and Associated Facilities for Cultivated Lands* (Reclamation Criteria) were met.
- Two site visits were conducted by an AER Reclamation Assessor on July 23 and August 14, 2026. No reclamation concerns were identified during either inspection. Based on the application review and site inspection findings, the site was determined to meet the applicable Reclamation Criteria.
- Following issuance of an AER Reclamation Certificate, the operator retains a 25-year liability for surface reclamation issues (topography, vegetation, soil texture, drainage, etc.). Landowners may contact an AER field center or recremquestions@aer.ca at any time to raise liability concerns or complaints.

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 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 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

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