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**APPROVAL No. AT10032138 for IMPERIAL OIL RESOURCES LTD. (Imperial)
Reduced Spacing Between Wellsite Equipment and Bodies of Water**

Dear Bori Arrobo:

The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) acknowledges receipt of your letter dated August 26, 2016 expressing concerns about Approval No. AT10032138 that was issued by the AER on August 8, 2016, granting certain equipment spacing waivers. The AER notes that this approval is related to a project, Imperial Aspen. The AER is treating the Imperial Aspen applications as forming an integrated project to be considered together. This is to inform you that the AER has reviewed its decision to issue Approval No. AT10032138 and has decided to rescind that approval. The AER will consider the equipment spacing issue when it considers the project as a whole.

By copy of this letter, Imperial is hereby notified that the subject approval has been rescinded. Imperial will be required to file the infrastructure applications nonroutinely due to known concerns with the project, and due to equipment spacing requirements. Appropriate documentation regarding mitigation measures for equipment not meeting spacing requirements should be attached to the applications.

If you have any questions, please contact either Lindsay Kopf at (403) 297-8176 or email [Lindsay.Kopf@aer.ca](mailto:Lindsay.Kopf@ aer.ca), or Lonny Olsen at (403) 297-3513, email [Lonny.Olsen@aer.ca](mailto:Lonny.Olsen@ aer.ca).

Sincerely,

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