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Proceeding 470
October 5, 2026

***To*:** Erik Compton, KMSC Law LLP
***For*:** Dean Waterfield

[By email only]

***Re*:** **Dean Waterfield**
Xenotime Energy Inc.
Alberta Energy Regulator, Regulatory Applications Branch
Regulatory Appeal of Well Licence No. 0524095
Participation Decision

Mr. Compton:

We are hearing commissioners Cindy Chiasson and Michael Webb who sit on the panel of hearing commissioners presiding over this proceeding. We are writing in response to your letter of September 29, 2026, that provided clarification about Island Lake Farms Ltd. (Island Lake) and the request that we permit Island Lake to participate in proceeding 470.

You advised that Island Lake Farms is a corporation in which Mr. Dean Waterfield and Mrs. Laura Waterfield are principals and Mr. Waterfield is the president, and that the Waterfields conduct their farming operations on the lands affected by Well Licence No. 0524095 through Island Lake. You further advised that Mr. and Mrs. Waterfield own the relevant lands, which are leased to Island Lake to farm, and that Island Lake's concerns are identical to Mr. Waterfield's.

Given this clarification, we find that it is not necessary to grant separate participation to Island Lake Farms Ltd.

As a party to proceeding 470, Mr. Dean Waterfield may participate fully in this proceeding, including filing written submissions, speaking to those submissions at the hearing, questioning witnesses, being questioned by other parties and the panel, and making final argument.

As a full participant, Mr. Waterfield may make submissions on his and his family's personal concerns as well as make submissions on behalf of Island Lake as Island Lake's president.

Island Lake's concerns are identical to those of Mr. Waterfield, and thus Island Lake will not be prejudiced by having its concerns incorporated within Mr. Waterfield's submissions. On the other hand, granting separate

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participation to Island Lake has the potential to repeat or duplicate evidence presented by Mr. Waterfield, and increase the procedural complexity of the hearing.

Regards,

Cindy Chiasson
Presiding Member

Michael Webb
Hearing Commissioner

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