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ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION BOARD

IN THE MATTER of the *ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION ACT*, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter E-10; section 80 of the *ALBERTA UTILITIES COMMISSION ACT*, S.A. 2007, Chapter A-37.2; the *OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION ACT*, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter O-7; and section 3 of the *OIL SANDS CONSERVATION REGULATION*, AR 76/88.

ORDER 08-001

WHEREAS on July 22, 2003, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB) issued *General Bulletin GB 2003-28, Bitumen Conservation Requirements Athabasca Wabiskaw-McMurray*, as it appeared to the EUB that the ultimate recovery of crude bitumen from the Wabiskaw-McMurray in the Athabasca Oil Sands Area was affected by gas production from wells completed in the oil sands strata in the Area or in the areas set out in the Wabiskaw or McMurray Pool Orders that overlap the Athabasca Oil Sands Area, and that immediate action was required;

AND WHEREAS the EUB adopted a phased approach for purposes of conservation of the ultimate recovery of crude bitumen in the Wabiskaw-McMurray of the Athabasca Oil Sands Area;

AND WHEREAS on June 14, 2005, the EUB convened a final hearing under Phase 3 of the *Bitumen Conservation Requirements Athabasca Wabiskaw-McMurray*, to consider the production status of any zone within a well where a party disagreed with a previous EUB decision or order respecting the gas production from the zone;

AND WHEREAS on November 10, 2005, the EUB issued Decision 2005-122 with respect to the said proceeding; and on December 21, 2005, the EUB issued an Addendum to Decision 2005-122 in which it stated that the EUB intended to initiate a process to determine if there is a need to shut in gas production from the Leismer McMurray J4J Pool;

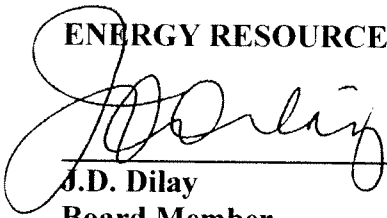
AND WHEREAS on March 14, 2006, the EUB initiated Proceeding No. 1450471, a proceeding to consider the status of wells in the Leismer McMurray J4J Pool;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act*, S.A. 2007, Chapter A-37.2, and regulations thereunder, Proceeding No. 1450471 is continued as a proceeding of the Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB or Board).

THEREFORE, for purposes of conservation of the ultimate recovery of bitumen in the Wabiskaw-McMurray of the Athabasca Oil Sands Area, it is ordered that:

1. Canadian Natural Resources Limited shall shut in or cause to remain shut in (as the case may be) the particular Wabiskaw-McMurray intervals listed in Table 1 attached to this Order.

MADE at the City of Calgary, in the Province of Alberta, this 11th day of August, 2008.

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J.D. Dilay
Board Member