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**NEXEN CANADA LTD.
APPLICATION FOR A WELL LICENCE
WETASKIWIN FIELD**

**Decision 2005-069
Application No. 1373824**

1 DECISION

Having completed a review of the application, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB/Board) hereby approves Application No.1373824.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Application

Nexen Canada Ltd. (Nexen) applied to the EUB in accordance with Section 2.020 of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations* for a licence to drill a vertical well, with 0.00 moles per kilomole of hydrogen sulphide (0.0%) from a surface location in Legal Subdivision 8, Section 34, Township 45, Range 23, West of the 4th Meridian. The purpose of the well would be to obtain coalbed methane from the Edmonton Group Formation. The proposed well would be located about 8.5 kilometres southeast of Wetaskiwin.

2.2 Intervention

Marshall Eliason and Ardis Eliason (the Eliasons), the landowners of Section 34-45-23W4M, filed an objection to the application.

2.3 Hearing

The Board was scheduled to hold a public hearing in Wetaskiwin, Alberta, on June 29, 2005, before Board Member J. R. Nichol, P. Eng. (Presiding Member) and Acting Board Members R. J. Willard, P.Eng., and K. G. Sharp, P.Eng.

3 DISCUSSION

Nexen and the Eliasons, through the EUB Appropriate Dispute Resolution (ADR) process, were able to resolve the issues. A signed withdrawal of objection was submitted to the EUB by the Eliasons on June 27, 2005. As there were no other objections submitted to the EUB, the hearing was cancelled.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on June 30, 2005.

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