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Applications No. 1439811,
1439815, 1439818, 1439821,
1443511, 1443514, and 1443942**

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Applications

Fairborne Energy Ltd. (Fairborne) applied to the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB/Board), pursuant to Section 2.020 of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations*, requesting approval to drill six vertical sweet natural gas wells to obtain coalbed methane (CBM) production from the Edmonton Group, as follows:

- Application No. 1439811: from Legal Subdivision (LSD) 12, Section 1, Township 40, Range 24 West of the 4th Meridian
- Application No. 1439815: from LSD 1-2-40-24W4M
- Application No. 1439818: from LSD 1-11-40-24W4M
- Application No. 1439821: from LSD 12-2-40-24W4M

Fairborne also applied to obtain CBM production from the Edmonton Group and natural gas production from the Belly River Group, as follows:

- Application No. 1443511: from LSD 9-1-40-24W4M
- Application No. 1443514: from LSD 9-2-40-24W4M

In addition, Fairborne applied (Application No. 1443942), in accordance with Part 4 of the *Pipeline Act*, for approval to construct and operate seven pipeline segments for the purpose of transporting sweet natural gas from the applied-for wells.

1.2 Interventions

Landowners Stan Pethybridge, Jean Pethybridge, Heidi Pethybridge, John Pethybridge, and Teesalta Ranches filed objections to the granting of the subject well and pipeline licences.

1.3 Hearing

The Board had scheduled a public hearing to consider the applications and interventions in Lacombe, Alberta, on July 20, 2006, before Board Members J. D. Dilay, P.Eng. (Presiding Member), T. M. McGee, and G. J. Miller. The hearing was cancelled by the Board for the reasons set out below.

2 DISCUSSION

On July 4, 2006, Fairborne requested approval to withdraw the applications. Pursuant to Section 20 of the *Alberta Energy and Utilities Board Rules of Practice*, the Board accepted the withdrawal of the applications and cancelled the hearing.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on July 18, 2006.

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