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**CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED
APPLICATIONS FOR THREE WELLS AND
A MULTIWELL BATTERY
KENT FIELD**

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Applications No. 1569367,
1569371, and 1569372**

DECISION

The Energy Resources Conservation Board has considered the recommendations set out in the following examiner report, adopts the recommendations, and directs that Applications No. 1569367, 1569371, and 1569372 be closed and that a public hearing not be scheduled.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on December 23, 2008.

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EXAMINER REPORT RESPECTING CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES FOR THREE WELLS AND A MULTIWELL BATTERY KENT FIELD

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1 RECOMMENDATIONS

Having received a request from Canadian Natural Resources Limited (CNRL) to withdraw Applications No. 1569367, 1569371, and 1569372, the examiner panel recommends that the Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB/Board) accept CNRL's request to withdraw Applications No. 1569367, 1569371, and 1569372 and direct that a hearing to consider these applications not be scheduled.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Applications

CNRL applied to the ERCB, pursuant to Section 2.020 of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations (OCGR)*, for licences to drill three slant crude bitumen wells from two well pad locations at Legal Subdivision (LSD) 3, Section 25, Township 62, Range 3, West of the 4th Meridian. CNRL also applied to the ERCB, pursuant to Section 7.002(1) of the *OCGR*, for a facility licence to construct and operate a multiwell bitumen battery at LSD 3-25-62-3W4M.

The purpose of the proposed wells and the multiwell battery was to produce crude bitumen from the Lloydminster Formation. No hydrogen sulphide production was anticipated.

2.2 Intervention

The owner of the land where the proposed facilities were to be located, Rick Getz, objected to the applications. Mr. Getz's concerns were related to noise from the existing well and the proposed wells, proximity of the wells to his residence, and compensation associated with the new wells and battery.

3 DISCUSSION

On November 25, 2008, CNRL notified the ERCB that it wished to withdraw Applications No. 1569367, 1569371, and 1569372, pursuant to Section 21 of the *Energy Resources Conservation Board Rules of Practice*. The examiner panel recommends that the Board accept the request to withdraw the applications and direct that a public hearing to consider the applications not be scheduled. The examiner panel also notes that CNRL may reapply for the proposed wells and multiwell battery without prejudice at a later date.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on December 23, 2008.

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