



# Artek Exploration Ltd.

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## 1 DECISION

Having accepted Artek Exploration Ltd.'s (Artek's) request for the cancellation of Well Licence No. 0400525, the Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB/Board) hereby directs that the licence be cancelled. Therefore, the Board finds that a public hearing to review Well Licence No. 0400525 is unnecessary.

## 2 INTRODUCTION

### 2.1 Background

On September 5, 2008, the Board approved Application No. 1581425 and issued Well Licence No. 0400525 to Artek, in accordance with Section 2.020 of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations*, for a single directional gas well from a surface location at Legal Subdivision 5, Section 24, Township 83, Range 5, West of the 6th Meridian, at an existing lease. The purpose of the well was to obtain gas from the Charlie Lake Formation with a hydrogen sulphide content of 0.2 moles per kilomole (0.02 per cent) and a resulting emergency planning zone of 0.02 kilometres. Artek voluntarily suspended all drilling operations pending a decision on the review request.

### 2.2 Application No. 1586545

On September 9, 2008, the ERCB received a letter dated August 28, 2008, from Jake Klassen and Sandra Klassen, landowners at the proposed well location, requesting that the Board conduct a review hearing relating to the above-mentioned well licence, pursuant to Section 40 of the *Energy Resources Conservation Act*. The request for the review was based on concerns related to agricultural use of the land. The ERCB registered this request as Application No. 1586545.

### 2.3 Proceeding No. 1593351

On October 30, 2008, the ERCB granted the request for a review hearing and registered the hearing as Proceeding No. 1593351. The review hearing was granted on the basis that Mr. and Mrs. Klassen had raised facts that warranted further examination by the Board to ensure the appropriateness of its decision to grant the well licence.

## 3 DISCUSSION

On December 4, 2008, a written request was received by the Board from Artek to cancel Well Licence No. 0400525, pursuant to Section 25(d) of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Act*, and to cancel the review hearing.

As the well was not drilled, the Board agreed to cancel the licence and is satisfied that a review hearing is no longer required. Well Licence No. 0400525 was cancelled on December 5, 2008.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on January 27, 2009.

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Presiding Member