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February 1, 2005

To: Parties and Counsel on the Attached Lists

**RE: GENERAL BULLETIN 2003-28 (GB 2003-28)
BITUMEN CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS
ATHABASCA WABISKAW-MCMURRAY
PHASE 3 FINAL PROCEEDING
PROCEEDING NO. 1347905**

This letter is further to Decision 2004-088, the Board's Prehearing Meeting Decision regarding the Phase 3 Final Hearing. On page 9, Section 3.7 of that Decision the Board states:

"The Board directs each party that wishes [to] have the production status of a particular interval or intervals considered in the final hearing to file with the Board a declaration listing those intervals. That declaration and a submission containing the party's evidence supporting its position shall be filed with the Board and served on the SSG and any other party that may be directly affected by the Board's decision on the declaration not later than February 14, 2005. The Board also directs each party intending to participate in the final hearing to advise the Board in writing not later than February 21, 2005, of the date on which it would be prepared to file its response submission and the date on which the final hearing should commence."

This letter will provide further directions from the Board regarding the filing and serving of material in the Phase 3 Final Hearing.

With respect to the material due to be filed February 14, 2005, Decision 2004-088 directs that each party include in that filing the evidence supporting the party's position regarding the production status of the intervals identified in the party's declaration. As such, that filing will constitute each party's substantive submission in this proceeding and participants should not expect that the Board will schedule a subsequent date for the filing of submissions (other than response submissions as contemplated in Decision 2004-088 or responses to any information request the Board may authorize).

Given that February 21 has been designated as Family Day, the last day to file written advice regarding the filing of response submissions and scheduling of the final hearing shall be **February 22, 2005**.

When filing submissions in this proceeding parties are requested to provide one electronic copy of the submission on CD in pdf format, and fifteen paper copies to

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Parties are also requested to provide one electronic copy of the submission on CD in pdf format, and three paper copies of the submission to

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The Board intends to make all submissions available on its website at <http://www.eub.gov.ab.ca/BBS/new/Projects/GasBitumenPolicy.htm>.

If you have any questions with respect to this letter, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

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