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June 6, 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**

Further to my letter of May 20, 2005, the Board has considered the comments made by parties concerning the order in which participants will present their evidence in the upcoming hearing. The Board has asked me to advise all parties that the order of participation will be as follows:

1. EUB Staff Submission Group (SSG)
2. Petro-Canada
3. Nexen Inc.
4. Canadian Natural Resources Limited
5. ISH Energy Inc.
6. Paramount Energy Trust
7. Stylus Energy Inc.

The Board noted that parties appear willing to adjust the schedule during the hearing as needed to accommodate the availability of witnesses. This schedule therefore reflects the Board's present intentions, but it will be subject to adjustment during the hearing to ensure an efficient and effective proceeding.

In determining the schedule the Board noted that most parties were in agreement that the SSG should give its evidence first. Petro-Canada and Nexen Inc. filed declarations that primarily seek to shut in gas production and they have been scheduled to follow the SSG, in order from the least intervals put in issue to the most. Next the Board scheduled the parties who filed declarations primarily seeking to allow gas production, again in order from the least intervals put in issue to the most. Finally, the Board scheduled Stylus Energy Inc., which did not file a declaration but is responding to a declaration filed by the SSG.

Stylus requested that the SSG give its evidence on Stylus' well on a designated date. It was the Board's view that the SSG is free to accommodate Stylus' request, but the Board itself is not prepared at this time to designate when the SSG must give its evidence concerning the Stylus well.

The Board also expects that it will provide an opportunity for participants to present rebuttal evidence after the initial round of witness panels has been completed.

The Board noted that other parties filed notices indicating that they intended to only monitor the proceeding or participate in a limited way, for example by conducting cross-examination or providing argument. The Board has not scheduled participation by those parties, but will deal with the matter of their participation if the issue arises.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this letter or the Board's directions regarding the conduct of the hearing.

Yours truly,

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