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Via Fax and Email

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Applications Branch
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Attention: Giuseppa Bentivegna
Board Counsel

Re: Application No. 1481725
Cold Lake Oil Sands Area - Clearwater Deposit
Our Reference: CNR190

We write of Canadian Natural Resources Limited ("Canadian Natural") in response to the letter submitted on December 6, 2006 by Mr. Davies on behalf of EnCana Oil and Gas Partnership ("Encana").

We understand that Encana and Husky have agreed, or are working towards an agreement, whereby they would exchange models on January 5th, 2007. Thereafter, information requests would be due January 12th and responses to information requests would be due on January 19th, 2007. Reply evidence from CNRL and Husky will be filed in accordance with the current schedule and the hearing will commence on February 6, 2006.



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Canadian Natural will not object to these revisions to the timetable but is strongly opposed to any further adjournment of the hearing so long as gas production from the subject areas continues. In that respect, Canadian Natural will not know whether the revised timetable provides sufficient time for it to evaluate and respond to Encana's model. Accordingly, we may have to address the timing of Reply Evidence further once in receipt of that model.

Yours truly,
THACKRAY BURGESS

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