

September 5, 2003

**TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**

**BITUMEN CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS  
ATHABASCA WABISKAW-MCMURRAY  
REGIONAL GEOLOGICAL STUDY**

In General Bulletin (GB) 2003-28, BITUMEN CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS, ATHABASCA WABISKAW-MCMURRAY (GB 2003-28), the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (“EUB” or “Board”) established a 3-phase process for the identification and curtailment of gas production that is associated with potentially recoverable bitumen. Phase 1 consists of an interim shut-in order with provision for temporary exemptions. Phase 2 provides for challenges to Phase 1 exemptions by way of expedited review proceedings (“Phase 2 Proceedings”) limited to assessing whether the gas is associated with potentially recoverable bitumen. Phase 3 contemplates a final review following the completion of all or a portion of the EUB’s regional geological study.

In response to GB 2003-28, a number of interested parties offered to provide the EUB with relevant data and interpretive information with respect to the regional geological study. The EUB agrees that such information may prove useful in its conduct of the regional geologic study and has decided to accept such data and interpretive information from interested parties subject to the following conditions:

- Interested parties are not required to provide data or interpretive information; any provision of such information is strictly voluntary;
- All data and interpretive information provided will become public information and will be accessible to the public through the Board’s Information Services Branch;
- The EUB is not bound or otherwise required to consider any data or interpretive information provided. The EUB, at its sole discretion, may review all, some or none of the data or interpretive information provided;
- If interpretive information is used in the regional geological study, specific reference will be made to the information utilized.

Should a party wish to file data or interpretive information relevant to the regional geological study it should direct it to the attention of:

EUB Regional Geological Study  
640 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW  
Calgary, AB.  
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Attention: Cal Hill

Please call Cal Hill at (403) 297-8206 if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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