

SUBMISSION OF
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TO
ALBERTA ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD
REGARDING
GENERAL BULLETIN GB 2003 – 16
GAS PRODUCTION IN OIL SANDS AREAS

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Dear Mr. Smith

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> I am a Canadian living in the Netherlands and returning to Canada to retire
> in 2004. I am writing to you about GB 2003-16 and its effects on my
> retirement savings.

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> I am sure you have received voluminous correspondence on this subject with
> emphasis on the technical and economic aspects of the subject. This
> expertise is beyond my capabilities. Instead, I am writing to you as an
> investor who has just seen over \$50,000.00 of his retirement savings
> vaporized the morning after the announcement of this policy.

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> I contend that it is manifestly unfair that the savings of thousands of
> small investors are lost and the jobs and livelihoods of thousands of
> employees and business people be put in jeopardy by a government decision of
> this nature. I appeal to you to correct this injustice.

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> I believe there is much to criticize about the process of the policy
> formulation particularly the lack of a public hearing where all aspects
> could be properly examined. And I believe the truncated two-day appeal
> period is no substitute for a public hearing and gives the appearance of a
> perfunctory action by a board with its mind already made up.

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> Mr. Smith, Alberta has gained an enviable reputation as a dynamic,
> investor-friendly, place to do business. Actions of the nature proposed in
> GB 2003-16 put this reputation at risk. I appeal to you to rectify this
> situation.

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> Sincerely

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