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Calgary Alberta

RICHMOUNT PETROLEUM LTD.
APPLICATION FOR TWO PIPELINE LICENCES
OKOTOKS FIELD

Decision 2006-123 Application No. 1440206

#### 1 DECISION

Having completed a review of the application, noting the withdrawal of objection from the intervening parties that had filed objections prior to the hearing, and noting that no other parties came forth at the hearing, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB/Board) hereby approves Application No. 1440206.

### 2 INTRODUCTION

## 2.1 Application

Richmount Petroleum Ltd. (Richmount) applied to the EUB, pursuant to Part 4 of the *Pipeline Act*, to construct and operate two pipelines. One pipeline is to be constructed for the purpose of transporting sour natural gas from Legal Subdivision (LSD) 11, Section 12, Township 23, Range 28, West of the 4th Meridian, to a pipeline tie-in point in LSD 2-4-23-28W4M. This pipeline would be about 7.06 kilometres (km) in length, with a maximum outside diameter (OD) of 114.3 millimetre (mm), and would transport natural gas with a maximum hydrogen sulphide concentration of 3.0 moles per kilomole, or 0.3 per cent.

The second pipeline is for the purpose of transporting sweet natural gas from LSD 2-4-23-28W4M to a tie-in point in LSD 2-12-23-28W4M (2-4 pipeline). The pipeline would be about 6.05 km in length, with a maximum OD of 168.3 mm. Both proposed pipelines would be located about 4 km east of the City of Calgary.

#### 2.2 Interventions

James Harriman, James Thomas, Darren Thomas, Mary Thomas, Doug Wakelam, Dave Wakelam, and Marge Wakelam all filed interventions to this application. These parties are joint landowners of NW 3-23-28W4M, where a portion of the pipeline is to be routed. The intervening parties appointed James Harriman to be their representative.

### 2.3 Hearing

The Board held a public hearing in Calgary, Alberta, on November 23, 2006, before Board Members M. N. McCrank, P.Eng., Q.C. (Presiding Member) and J. D. Dilay, P.Eng., and Acting Board Member J. G. Gilmour. Those who appeared at the hearing are listed in Appendix 1.

# 2.4 Preliminary Matters

A Notice of Motion was submitted by Richmount prior to the hearing and then presented at the opening of the hearing. The purpose of the motion was to amend the direction of flow of the 2-4

pipeline. Mr. Harriman had no objection, and the motion was accepted by the Board. A second part of the Notice of Motion was withdrawn, as discussed below.

#### 3 DISCUSSION

Prior to holding the public hearing, the Board had satisfied itself that the application was technically complete and compliant with all applicable EUB requirements.

At the opening of the hearing, Mr. Harriman indicated that discussions with Richmount had been ongoing and that, as a result of these discussions, they had come to resolution on the outstanding issues. Mr. Harriman indicated that he was therefore withdrawing the objections filed by both himself and the parties he represented. Upon Mr. Harriman's withdrawal of objections, Richmount withdrew a second part of its Notice of Motion dealing with limiting the scope of Mr. Harriman's evidence.

No other parties appeared at the hearing.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on December 5, 2006.

#### ALBERTA ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD

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M. N. McCrank, P.Eng., Q.C. Presiding Member

[Original signed by]

J. D. Dilay, P.Eng. Board Member

[Original signed by]

J. G. Gilmour Acting Board Member

# APPENDIX 1 HEARING PARTICIPANTS

# Principals and Representatives

Richmount Petroleum Ltd.

T. Owen

# J. Harriman

Alberta Energy and Utilities Board staff

- R. McKee, Board Counsel
- D. Schroeder
- G. McClenaghan
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