

# **Inter Pipeline Extraction Ltd**

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INTER PIPELINE EXTRACTION LTD. APPLICATION TO AMEND STRADDLE PLANT LICENCE NO. 20329 COCHRANE

Decision 2007-044 Application No. 1473797

#### 1 DECISION

Having carefully considered the application, related correspondence, and supporting documentation, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (Board/EUB) hereby denies the requests for standing by Kelly Bennett, Kerry Bennett, Gordon Lackey, James and Yvonne Phillips, Patrick Coyle, Mary Coyle, W.R Meller, Jo-Anne Meller, Nancy McLean and Daryl Bucholz with respect to Application No. 1473797 by Inter Pipeline Extraction Ltd. (Inter Pipeline). Having found that no party had standing with respect to the subject application, the Board has completed its review of the application and notes that it meets all EUB requirements. Accordingly, the Board will issue the requested amendment to Straddle Plant Licence No. 20329 in due course.

## 2 INTRODUCTION

## 2.1 Application

Inter Pipeline applied pursuant to Section 39 (1) (b) of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Act* to amend Licence No. 20329 for its existing Cochrane Extraction Plant. The plant is located at Legal Subdivision 16, Section 16, Township 26, Range 4, West of the 5th Meridian. Inter Pipeline has applied to amend its licence in order to add an incremental 2448 cubic metres per day (m<sup>3</sup>/d) of ethane extraction recovery capacity at the plant by replacing two lean oil trains with a new cryogenic train.

## 2.2 Interventions

Area residents Kelly Bennett, Kerry Bennett, Gordon Lackey, James Phillips, Yvonne Phillips, Patrick Coyle, Mary Coyle, W.R Meller, Jo-Anne Meller, Nancy McLean, and Daryl Bucholz filed interventions in opposition to the proposed facility amendment. These individuals own land that at its closest portion is between 600 and 1100 m from the Cochrane Extraction Plant. Concerns raised were with regard to noise, emissions, flaring, and other matters, including the history of the plant and alternatives to the proposed modifications

#### 3 DISCUSSION

The Board reviewed the objections and determined that the parties who had objected had not demonstrated that they might be directly and adversely affected by the proposed facility licence amendments. Accordingly, the Board has dismissed the objections subject to the condition set out in Appendix 1 to this report. The Board has decided to proceed with approval of the

application without further process. All parties were advised of this decision by way of letter dated May 31, 2007.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on June 5, 2007.

## ALBERTA ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD

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## APPENDIX 1 SUMMARY OF CONDITIONS

Conditions generally are requirements in addition to or otherwise expanding upon existing regulations and guidelines. An applicant must comply with conditions or it is in breach of its approval and subject to enforcement action by the EUB. Enforcement of an approval includes enforcement of the conditions attached to that licence. Sanctions imposed for the breach of such conditions may include the suspension of the approval, resulting in the shut-in of a facility. The conditions imposed on the licence are summarized below.

## **CONDITIONS**

Inter Pipeline must conduct a post construction noise impact assessment at area residences as outlined in the HFP Acoustical Consultant Corp. Noise Impact Assessment within 6 months of the end of the applied for modifications being completed at the facility and file a copy of this report with the Board. Approval of Application No. 1473797 is conditional upon this assessment demonstrating that post construction noise levels meet the permissible sound levels at area residences as outlined in the HFP Acoustical Consultation Corp. Noise Impact Assessment.