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WEST ENERGY LTD. APPLICATION FOR A WELL PEMBINA FIELD

Decision 2009-025 Application No. 1547037

1 DECISION

Having considered a request from West Energy Ltd. (West) to withdraw Application No. 1547037, the Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB/Board) has accepted the applicant's request and cancelled the public hearing scheduled to consider it.

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Application

West applied, pursuant to Section 2.020 of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Regulations*, for a licence to drill a directional level-1 critical sour well from a surface location in Legal Subdivision (LSD) 14 of Section 35, Township 50, Range 6, West of the 5th Meridian, to a projected bottomhole location in LSD 14-35-50-6 W5M. The maximum hydrogen sulphide (H₂S) concentration would have been about 160.0 moles per kilomole (16.0 per cent), and the cumulative drilling H₂S release rate would have been 2.5 cubic metres per second, with a corresponding emergency planning zone of 4.29 kilometres (km). The purpose of the well was to obtain oil production from the Nisku Formation.

The proposed well would have been located about 3.30 km south of the community of Tomahawk.

2.2 Interventions

Interventions were filed by Parkland County, West Parkland Liaison Committee Members, Parkland School Division No. 70, and community members Dr. T. Losey and Ms. C. Kerpan, who resided within the emergency planning zone.

2.3 Hearing

The Board was scheduled to hold a public hearing in Tomahawk, Alberta, on March 10, 2009, before Board Members M. J. Bruni, Q.C. (Presiding Member), J. D. Ebbels, and G. Eynon, P.Geol.

3 DISCUSSION

On February 20, 2009, the applicant notified the ERCB that it was withdrawing Application No. 1547037, pursuant to Section 21 of the *Energy Resources Conservation Board Rules of Practice*,

and the Board accepted the withdrawal of the application. Accordingly, the application was withdrawn and the public hearing was cancelled.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on March 3, 2009.

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