

ALBERTA
ENVIRONMENTAL APPEAL BOARD

Discontinuance of Proceedings

Date of Discontinuance of Proceedings – August 22, 2002

IN THE MATTER OF sections 91, 92 and 95 of the
Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, R.S.A. 2000, c.
E-12;

-and-

IN THE MATTER OF an appeal filed by Contour Energy Ltd.
with respect to the refusal of the Inspector, Central Region,
Regional Services, Alberta Environment to issue a Reclamation
Certificate to Contour Energy Ltd. for the Contour et al Leduc
Well.

Cite as: *Contour Energy Ltd. v. Inspector, Central Region, Regional Services, Alberta Environment.*

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Environmental Appeal Board received a Notice of Appeal from Contour Energy Ltd. with respect to the refusal of the Inspector, Central Region, Regional Services, Alberta Environment to issue a Reclamation Certificate to Contour Energy Ltd. for the Contour et al Leduc 2/6-2-50-27 well, near Leduc, Alberta.

The Board began processing the appeal, however the Board received a letter from Contour Energy Ltd. withdrawing their appeal. The Board therefore closes its file in this matter.

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I. BACKGROUND

[1] On July 31, 2002, the Environmental Appeal Board (the “Board”) received a Notice of Appeal dated July 29, 2002 from Contour Energy Ltd. (the “Appellant”) appealing the decision of the Inspector, Central Region, Regional Services, Alberta Environment, (the “Inspector”) to refuse to issue a Reclamation Certificate to the Appellant for the Contour et al Leduc 2/6-2-50-27 well drilled from surface point 9-2-50-27W4M NE/4 of Sec 2-50-27 W4M, near Leduc, Alberta.

[2] On August 2, 2002, the Board acknowledged receipt of the Notice of Appeal, notified the Inspector of the appeal and requested the Inspector provide the records related to the appeal (the “Record”) to the Board. The Board also requested the Appellant and the Inspector provide their available dates for a mediation meeting and settlement conference or hearing.

[3] On August 2, 2002, the Board also wrote to the landowners, Mr. Dennis and Ms. Marianne Harrish (the “Landowners”), notifying them of the appeal and requesting they advise the Board if they wished to be involved in the appeal. To date the Board has not received a response from the Landowners.

[4] According to standard practice, the Board wrote to the Natural Resources Conservation Board (the NRCB”) and the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (the “AEUB”) asking whether this matter had been the subject of a hearing or review under their respective legislation. Both Board’s responded in the negative. Both Boards replied in the negative.

[5] On August 7, 2002, the Board received a letter from the Inspector advising that the Appellant would be withdrawing their appeal “...as a result of a successful site meeting with Alberta Environment...” The Board acknowledged the Inspector’s letter and requested the Appellant advise the Board in writing if they would be withdrawing their appeal.

[6] On August 9, 2002, the Board received a response from the Appellant advising:

“As a result of a successful meeting between the parties held on location August 6th...Contour agrees to withdraw its appeal at this time....”

During a telephone conversation between the Appellant and Board staff on August 16, 2002, the Appellant confirmed that it was withdrawing its appeal.

II. DECISION

[7] Pursuant to section 95(7) of the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. E-12, and based on the letter of August 9, 2002 from the Appellant and the telephone conversation with the Appellant on August 16, 2002, the Board discontinues its proceedings in Appeal 02-062 and closes its file.

Dated on August 22, 2002, at Edmonton, Alberta.

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Dr. John Ogilvie