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Ministry of Energy and Mines

**OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE HEARTLANDS
SUMMER ROYALTY PROGRAM**

Qualification Criteria:

A producer may deduct a summer drilling deduction amount from its total royalty payable to the province if:

- (a) the producer has one or more interests in a well and
- (b) the well has a spud date after June 30, 2003 and before December 1, 2003, after March 31, 2004 and before December 1, 2004 or after March 31, 2005 and before December 1, 2005.

Where the following terms are defined:

"goods and service costs" means, in relation to a well, the costs incurred by the producer for goods and services directly related to the drilling of the well.

"well event" means all completions in a zone for a well with a primary product of natural gas.

Royalty Calculation:

The summer drilling deduction amount is, for each well referred to above, the lesser of the following multiplied by the producer's proportionate interest in the well:

- (i) 10% of the goods and service costs attributable to the well.
- (ii) \$100,000.

Examples of Goods and Service Costs related to directly drilling a well:

BOP, Coring and Tong Services	Pipeline & Oilfield Construction Oilfield
Cementing and Stimulation Services	Environmental Services
Camps	Production Testing
Drilling and Completion Tools and Services	Rathole Conductor Contractors
Drilling Fluids & Chemical Suppliers	Safety Services
Drilling Mats	Snubbing Services
Equipment and Processing Manufacturers	Specialized Trucking Services
Fabricators	Supply and Rental Stores
Pipe and Drill Bit Manufacturers	Well Consultants
Pipe Coating and Inspection Services	Wireline and Perforating Services

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