July 11, 2011

MINERAL RIGHTS INFORMATION BULLETIN 2011-02

Subject: Release of Mineral Rights Not Required for the Bigstone Treaty Land Entitlements (TLE) Settlement

Alberta is required by the 1930 Natural Resources Transfer Agreement to transfer lands and mineral rights back to Canada to resolve outstanding First Nation TLE. As part of this requirement, Alberta reserved a significant amount of land and mineral rights in preparation of the TLE settlement between Canada and the Bigstone Cree Nation.

Now that the settlement is complete and implementation of the settlement agreement is underway, Alberta is able to release some of the Alberta Crown mineral rights that are in excess of the settlement agreement and will not be transferred to Canada.

Accordingly, please be advised that on August 17, 2011, Alberta Energy will revert approximately 180,000 hectares of Alberta Crown petroleum and natural gas, oil sands and other mineral rights currently categorized as Reserved from Disposition to an available status. Approximately 149,000 hectares of undisposed petroleum and natural gas rights and 162,000 hectares of undisposed oil sands rights will become available for disposition on that day.

Companies interested in acquiring petroleum and natural gas, oil sands and other mineral rights in these areas may do so under the established Alberta Energy processes for those mineral types.

Attached is a map showing the approximate location of the Alberta Crown mineral rights to be released.

Contacts:

Chris Van Tighem
Aboriginal Relations Branch
Phone: 780-644-8172

Chris Rudland
Tenure Branch
Phone: 780-422-9426

Renée Matsuba
Oil Sands Operations
Phone: 780-427-0910
Approved by: Brenda Allbright
Branch Head
Tenure

Steve Tkalcic
Branch Head
Oil Sands Operations

Attachments: Alberta Crown Petroleum & Natural Gas and Oil Sands now Available forDisposition Map