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MINERAL RIGHTS INFORMATION BULLETIN 2002-01

SUBJECT: Release of Well Spacing Information Via Agreement and Land Searches

The Alberta Department of Energy (DOE) is pleased to announce that effective August 12, 2002, well spacing information will be available through the Calgary Information Centre and the Electronic Transfer System (ETS) at www.energy.gov.ab.ca (provided you have a user id and password).

This joint venture includes the DOE, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB) and PanCanadian Petroleum Limited (now EnCana Corporation). PanCanadian's automated spacing unit information was made available for conversion into DOE's Land Status Automated System (LSAS). We thank the staff of PanCanadian's Land Centre of Excellence who contributed to this initiative.

Effective August 12, 2002, the well spacing information will become part of the Mineral Land Index Search. The Mineral Land Index Search allows for searches by land identifier (e.g. Meridian-Range-Township: Section and Quarter Section), provides a summary and, if desired, detailed information on agreements, applications, postings, drrzd/zds, fields, projects, units and restrictions. It will also include well spacing unit data effective August 12, 2002. By specifying search parameters, a user may access as much or as little information as needed. The cost for a Mineral Land Index Search will remain at \$30.00.

Individual searches for a well spacing unit order number or for a well spacing appendix will be available at the cost of \$6.00 each. The user may request the well spacing unit order number (e.g. SU2890) or well spacing appendix (e.g. SU Order number, appendix number and reference number e.g. SU2890 A1 01). The information produced from the search will include name, field(s), amended/previous order numbers, well exemptions, appendix type, reference well, spacing, target area, spacing target description, buffer, well density, inter-well distance, special provisions, client information and land zone description.

At the end of each month, LSAS Support/Client Registry will produce a complete electronic file in EBCDIC format of all well spacing unit data within LSAS. This data will also be produced in a daily update form and may be accessed through a File Transfer Protocol Site (FTP) on the electronic transfer system and downloaded by the subscriber using a secure password. The daily update files will also be zipped using PKZIP to facilitate easy FTP access. These daily update files will include all updates performed on LSAS on a particular day and the date within the file name. The update files are retained on the FTP site for 30 days. Before using the daily update file the requestor's database must be loaded with a complete data file. The well spacing data will be made available as part of the subscription for mineral agreement entity data at no additional cost. The prescribed fees are covered under the Mines and Minerals Administration Regulation. These fees are as follows:

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| 1) Complete file as of month-end | \$1250.00 for each complete file |
| 2) Access to the FTP site daily file | \$ 650.00/per month |

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