

May 10, 2005

Environmental Appeals Board Hearing Schedule

The Environmental Appeals Board will conduct a hearing on May 30 and 31, 2005 commencing at 8:30 a.m. at the Office of the Environmental Appeals Board in Edmonton, Alberta. The Hearing is in relation to Alberta Environment's decision to issue Environmental Protection Order Nos. 2005/03-NR and 2005/04-NR under the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* to Tartan Energy Ltd. The Environmental Protection Orders are for the reclamation of 7 contaminated well sites in Sturgeon County.

The Environmental Appeals Board is a separate and independent body that reviews certain decisions made by Alberta Environment. The Environmental Appeals Board is separate and apart from Alberta Environment and is composed of environmental experts from a variety of disciplines.

At the Hearing, the Board will hear submissions on the following issues:

1. Were the Environmental Protection Orders properly issued?
2. Is rescission an available remedy in these circumstances to nullify the regulatory authority underlying the Environmental Protection Orders?

Any person, other than the parties, who wishes to make a representation before the Board on these appeals must submit a request in writing by fax to the Board at the fax number set out below on or before May 16, 2005. The request shall contain the name, address, telephone and fax numbers of the person submitting the request, indicate whether the person will be represented by a lawyer or agent, and if so, their name, contain a summary of the nature of the person's interest in these appeals, and be signed by the person submitting the request. After May 16, 2005, the Board will, in its discretion, determine if other persons may make representations and the manner in which they can be made.

As of May 6, 2005, copies of material filed with the Board respecting these appeals will be available for viewing at the Morinville Public Library during its normal operating hours, or by appointment at the Office of the Environmental Appeals Board in Edmonton.

Once all parties have been determined, the Hearing will be open to the public for viewing only.

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