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Appellants – Jack Minsky, **Location** – Sturgeon County, Alberta, **Type of Appeal** – Discontinuance

A Notice of Appeal was received from Jack Minsky on October 13, 2010 with respect to the September 15, 2010 decision of Alberta Environment to issue *Water Act* Administrative Penalty No. WA-10/07-AP-NR-10/06 to Kenneth Jack Minsky for allegedly conducting an unauthorized activity on September 15, 2008 in a water body, the in-filling and re-alignment of a creek during the construction of a man-made channel, which has permanently altered the flow or level of water in the watercourse. The activity took place on Plan 0720238, Block 1, Lot 2, near Carbondale in Sturgeon County, and has affected the natural drainage patterns on the lands and will change the location or flow of water during a future flood event.

Alberta Environment and Mr. Minsky requested the Board proceed to schedule a hearing. The Board scheduled a hearing of this appeal for February 24, 2011, in Edmonton, Alberta. In response to the Board's publication of the Notice of Hearing, four applications to intervene at the hearing were received. However, on January 24, 2011, Mr. Minsky withdrew his appeal and the Board closed its file.