

2020 ABAER 010

Proceeding 391

Canadian Natural Resources Limited

Regulatory Appeal of the Rejection of Application for Disposition of License of Occupation (LOC) 180965

Decision

[1] The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has discontinued the regulatory appeal because the requester has withdrawn their request for regulatory appeal.

Discussion

[2] On July 16, 2018, Canadian Natural Resources Limited submitted an application for LOC 180783 to obtain a Class II LOC under the Public Lands Act between Legal Subdivision 3, Section 27, Township 65, Range 6, West of the 4th Meridian (LSD 3-27-065-06W4M) and LSD 16-21-065-06W4M, in the Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87, to have year-round access at the subject location.

[3] The proposed LOC would be an access road that starts outside of the Provincial Grazing Reserve (PGR) boundary at its 03-27 (Mineral Surface Lease [MSL] 170180) pad site, connects to an undeveloped government road allowance, and ends at its 16-21(MSL 041952) pad site.

[4] On September 19, 2018, Canadian Natural replaced the LOC 180783 application with an application for LOC 180965. On October 2, 2018, the AER requested that the application supplement be revised by Canadian Natural to address approval standard 1015-AS.

[5] On November 1, 2018, the AER rejected the application. On November 30, 2018, Canadian Natural submitted a request for regulatory appeal. The AER approved the request for regulatory appeal on October 25, 2019.

[6] The AER was scheduled to hold a public hearing in Calgary, Alberta, on May 6, 2020, before hearing commissioner D. O’Gorman (presiding). The AER received a request from the hearing participants to adjourn the hearing and granted the adjournment. The hearing had not been rescheduled

[7] On July 23, 2020, Canadian Natural withdrew the request for regulatory appeal. The AER has therefore discontinued the regulatory appeal, as required by section 32.4 of the *Alberta Energy Regulator Rules of Practice*.

[8] Accordingly, a public hearing will not be held.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on August 26, 2020.

Alberta Energy Regulator

Dean O'Gorman, M.Sc.
Presiding Hearing Commissioner