

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Suncor Energy returns to full production at oil sands operations**

Calgary, Alberta (July 16, 2013) – Suncor Energy reports it has returned to full production at its oil sands operations. Since the restart of the Enbridge regional oil sands pipeline system earlier this month, Suncor has been ramping up its oil sands production as pipeline and storage capacity would allow.

On June 24, Suncor announced that as a result of the precautionary shutdown of the Enbridge pipeline system within the Fort McMurray region, it had to reduce production from its oil sands operations. Suncor worked to mitigate the impact using existing storage capacity and continuing to move product on its Oil Sands pipeline.

Aggregate production was reduced by approximately three million barrels as a result of the pipeline interruption. Suncor still anticipates that oil sands production for the year will be within the annual guidance range.

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