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OIL SANDS INFORMATION BULLETIN 2017-08

Subject: Changes to Operator's Forecast Report Form due November 30, 2017

Section 37 of the *Oil Sands Royalty Regulation, 2009* (AR 223/2008) requires the operator of an oil sands Project to file with the Department of Energy (the "Department") an operator's forecast report relating to the current calendar year and subsequent 14 calendar years. The submission deadline for this report is November 30 of each year.

Changes to the Operator's Forecast Reports

Starting November 30th, 2017, in addition to the data that was previously required in an operator's forecast, operators must submit the following information for each Oil Sands Royalty (OSR) Project:

- Project Technology
- Oil Sands Project Area / Region
- Steam Injection Volume
- Steam Name Plate Capacity
- Bitumen Name Plate Capacity
- Non-Condensable Gas Injected Volume
- Solvent Injected Volume
- GHG Emission Intensity
- GHG Emission Compliance Costs
- Abandonment Wells Capital
- Abandonment Facilities Capital
- Reclamation Capital
- Number of New Production Wells
- Number of Abandoned Production Wells
- Number of New Injection Wells
- Number of Abandoned Injection Wells
- Wells Strategic Capital
- Facilities Strategic Capital
- Wells Sustaining Capital
- Facilities Sustaining Capital
- Non-Gas Variable OPEX
- Fixed Operating OPEX

Starting 2017, the Net Cumulative Balance is no longer required on the Phase Level basis; it is now required on the Project Level basis.

Training on the updated form will be provided on **November 9, 2017**, 2:00 – 3:30 pm at:

AMEC Place
801-6th Avenue S.W.
Room 315
Calgary, Alberta

To reserve your seats, please email Roc.Xiang@gov.ab.ca by November 7, 2017. Please include your company name and the attendees' names in the email and indicate "New Operator's Forecast Form Training November 2017" in the subject line. Registration will be confirmed via email. There is no cost to register for this training session.

Submissions will be accepted in the Electronic Transfer System (ETS) starting **November 15, 2017**.

Additional Tips Regarding the Operator's Forecast Reports

As per Information Bulletin 2016-01, all Operator's Forecast reports submitted with validation *errors* will result in a *failed submission* and the report must be resubmitted within the filing deadline of the report. If the submission cannot be successfully processed by the filing deadline, late filing penalties may apply. Operators should submit as early as possible to ensure enough time to receive the turnaround report, correct errors, and

resubmit the report to avoid ensuing penalties. Resubmission of the report is not required for validation warnings.

Please note Alberta Energy will be looking at the received Operator Forecast data in detail. If deficiencies are found, or if Alberta Energy has questions, operators will be contacted. Please note that failure to provide compliant reporting may result in penalties being applied.

Location of New Operator’s Forecast Report Templates

The new Operator’s Forecast Report template with an example is available on the Alberta Energy website at <http://www.energy.alberta.ca/OilSands/582.asp>, in the section titled “Operator’s Forecast Report”.

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