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OIL SANDS INFORMATION BULLETIN 2017-04

Subject: Changes to Non-Project Reporting (NPR) Resulting from Amendments to the *Oil Sands Royalty Regulation, 2009* (OSRR09)

This information bulletin is to clarify reporting requirements resulting from regulatory amendments to the OSRR09 relating to NPR submissions for reporting periods beginning January 1, 2017.

Amendments to the OSRR09 resulting from the Royalty Review Advisory Panel's recommendations have now been enacted. Royalties for non-Project wells are generally determined using the Modernized Royalty Framework (MRF) and calculated in accordance with section 27 of the amended OSRR09, and the incorporated methodologies from the *Petroleum Royalty Regulation, 2009* and the *Petroleum Royalty Regulation, 2017*. Information on MRF can be found at the following link:

http://www.energy.alberta.ca/About_Us/Royalty.asp

For non-Project wells drilled prior to 2017 that are not subject to the *Petroleum Royalty Regulation, 2017*, the methodologies in the *Petroleum Royalty Regulation, 2009* will apply for determination of the Crown's royalty share. Please note that a modified royalty share calculation is specified in section 27 of the OSRR09 for non-Project wells that have been removed or revoked from an oil sands royalty Project, or which are included and approved in an application for an oil sands royalty Project.

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