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Dear Mr. Burton:

**RE: EXPERIMENTAL SCHEME FOR IMPROVED OIL RECOVERY
STODDART WEST DOIG "D"**

The Commission has reviewed your application dated May 30, 2001 requesting approval of an experimental scheme to improve oil recovery in the Stoddart West Dog "D" pool.

Attached is Approval 01-15-006 for the application granted under section 100 of the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act. The scheme is considered experimental as it involves injection of liquid acid gas for improved oil recovery by vertical miscible displacement. No objections were received following the publication of a notice of your application in the B.C. Gazette.

In accordance with section 57 of the *Drilling & Production Regulation* all well reports and well data within the scheme area will be held confidential for a period of 3 years.

Please note that the concurrent production Approval 97-07-008 (Amendment #1) for the Stoddart West Doig "D" pool will be rescinded upon the effective date of the subject experimental scheme approval.

Sincerely,

Craig Gibson, P. Eng.
Manager
Reservoir Engineering and Geology

Attachment

Approval Letters to Industry
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APPROVAL 01-15-006

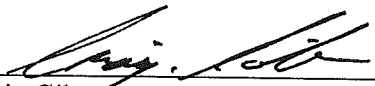
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS ACT
OIL AND GAS COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER of the experimental scheme of Dominion Energy Canada Limited (Operator) for improved oil recovery by acid gas injection into the Stoddart West Doig "D" pool.

NOW THEREFORE, the Commission, pursuant to section 100 of the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c.361, hereby orders as follows:

1. The experimental scheme for the injection of acid gas (hydrogen sulphide and carbon dioxide) for improved oil recovery from the Stoddart West Doig "D" pool, as such proposal is described in the application to the Commission dated May 30, 2001 is hereby approved, subject to terms and conditions herein contained.
2. The area of the experimental scheme consists of sec 32-87-21 W6M, SW/4 sec 4 and S/2 sec 5-88-21 W6M.
3. The project daily oil allowable is 400 m³/d.
4. The project daily gas allowable is 480 10³m³/d.
5. Acid gas shall be injected into the Doig "D" pool through the well 1-5-88-21 W6M. (V/R # 9890)
6. The sandface injection pressure must not exceed 31,200 kPag.
7. The injection rate must not exceed 200 10³m³/d expressed at 101.325 kPaa and 15 degrees Celsius.
8. The Operator must monitor the casing, conduct annular packer isolation tests and implement appropriate corrosion protection measures.
9. The Operator must monitor pressure in the offsetting wells and maintain the hydraulic isolation of the injection zone.
10. The Wellhead Emergency Shut-Off Device at the injector must be linked to H₂S detector heads at the wellhead and a Subsurface Safety Valve or Injection Check Valve must be installed in the tubing string to operate "fail-safe".
11. A barricade must be installed around the acid gas injector wellhead that is capable of withstanding vehicle collision.
12. All injection operations must be immediately suspended if any injection equipment, monitoring equipment or safety devices considered necessary for safe operation should fail.
13. The Operator must submit a progress report to the Commission for each six-month period the scheme is in operation, determined from the first day of acid gas injection. The requirement may be amended at the request of the operator after the scheme has been in operation for a period of three years. The progress report is due within 60 days after the end of each period and must contain:
 - a) the daily average rate of oil, gas and water produced during each month for each producing well, and for the project as a whole,
 - b) the monthly cumulative oil, gas and water production from each producing well, and for the project as a whole,
 - c) details of any workover or treatment program done on any of the wells with reasons for the workover and results of the workovers,

- d) a discussion of any changes in injection equipment and operations,
 - e) a general review of the operation of the project including identification of problems, remedial action taken and results of the remedial action on project performance,
 - f) a discussion of the overall performance of the project,
 - g) an evaluation of all monitoring done during the reporting period including corrosion protection, fluid analyses, pressures and any other data collected,
 - h) a table showing monthly volumes of injected fluid, corresponding maximum wellhead injection pressures, maximum daily injection rates, average wellhead temperatures and hours on injection,
 - i) the volume-weighted average composition and formation volume factor for the injected fluid,
 - j) representative sample analysis of produced gas,
 - k) a plot showing monthly injection volume and average pressure versus time on an ongoing basis,
 - l) a table showing tonnes of sulphur and carbon dioxide disposed on a monthly and cumulative basis,
 - m) Any other information that is considered necessary, in the opinion of the Commission, to evaluate the progress, performance and efficiency of the scheme.
14. The project shall be deemed to have commenced upon the initiation of acid gas injection into the well. The Manager, Operations Engineering must be notified in writing 72 hours prior to the commencement of injection operations.
15. An emergency response plan procedure must be filed with the Manager, Operations Engineering prior to the commencement of injection operations.
16. The operations of the acid gas injection scheme will be subject to review by the Commission. The Manager, Reservoir Engineering and Geology or the Manager, Operations Engineering, may issue general guidelines regarding the operations of the acid gas injection scheme.
17. The approval or any condition of it may be modified or rescinded by the Manager, Reservoir Engineering and Geology for non-compliance of the conditions or unsafe operations.



Craig Gibson
Manager
Reservoir Engineering and Geology

DATED AT the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, this 16th day of August, 2001.