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CNRL Project (02)

Dear Mr. Fabes:

RE: GOOD ENGINEERING PRACTICE APPROVAL CACHE CREEK - HALFWAY "A" POOL

The Commission has reviewed your application dated June 24, 2003 requesting a Good Engineering Practice (GEP) scheme approval for producing gas from a portion of the subject pool.

Attached is a GEP scheme approval for a portion of the subject pool. The Approval 03-06-028 is hereby granted under Part 8, Division 6, Section 101 of the British Columbia *Drilling and Production Regulation*. This approval is intended to allow operational flexibility and to allow the drilling of additional gas wells without spacing and target considerations for maximization of gas recovery.

Notice of your application was published in the B.C. Gazette with July 31, 2003 being the last date for any objections. A letter dated July 31, 2003 was received from Dominion Exploration Canada Ltd. Dominion is in agreement with the technical merits of downspacing in this pool. However, Dominion proposes that no daily gas allowable (DGA) be assigned. Accordingly, a DGA limit has not been applied in condition #3 of the approval. Your application proposes two wells per GSU. The Commission believes that the drilling of wells at higher density within a GEP should be decided by well economics and has not imposed spacing density limit to the approval.

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Should you have any questions, please contact Peter Attariwala at (250) 952-0311.

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APPROVAL 03-06-028

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

IN THE MATTER of a Good Engineering Practice (GEP) scheme of Canadian Natural Resources Limited (CNRL) for producing a portion of the Cache Creek Halfway "A" pool gas without well spacing and target restrictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission, pursuant to Part 8, Division 6, Section 101 of the *Drilling and Production Regulation*, hereby approves the GEP scheme of CNRL for drilling wells without spacing and target restrictions, as such scheme is described in

an Application from CNRL to the Commission dated June 24, 2003.

This scheme is approved, subject to the conditions herein contained and, in particular:

1. The area of the project shall consist of:

94-A-11 Block L - units 16-19, 26-29, 36-39, 46-49, 56-59 and 66-69.

- 2. The requirements of Section 10 of the *Drilling and Production Regulation* are hereby waived, provided that gas wells within the project area are not completed nearer than 250 m to the sides of the approved project area.
- 3. The gas wells within the project area may be produced without individual well allowable restrictions.
- 4. This approval may be modified or rescinded at a later date if deemed appropriate.

Derek Doyle Commissioner

Oil and Gas Commission

DATED AT the City of Fort St. John, in the Province of British Columbia, this 13 day of August 2003.