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## EOG RESOURCES CANADA INC. APPLICATION FOR A PIPELINE LICENCE SOUNDING FIELD

Decision 2006-074  
Application No. 1445684

### 1 DECISION

Having received Application No. 1445684, noting that it meets Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB/Board) requirements, and noting the receipt of a confirmation of nonobjection from the intervening party, the Board hereby approves Application No. 1445684.

### 2 INTRODUCTION

#### 2.1 Application

On February 8, 2006, EOG Resources Canada Inc. (EOG) applied to the EUB in accordance with Part 4 of the *Pipeline Act* for approval to construct and operate four pipelines. The pipelines are to be constructed for the purposes of transporting natural gas from a well at Legal Subdivision (LSD) 4, Section 10, Township 30, Range 10, West of the 4th Meridian, to a tie-in location at LSD 16-13-30-10 W4M, from a well at LSD 16-13-30-10 W4M to a tie-in location at LSD 12-20-30-9 W4M, from a well at LSD 11-10-30-10 W4M to a tie-in location at LSD 8-10-30-10 W4M, and from a well at LSD 2-11-30-10 W4M to a tie-in location at LSD 4-11-30-10 W4M. The pipelines would have outside diameters of 114.3 millimetres (mm) for the first line, 141.3 mm for the second line, and 73.0 mm for the third and fourth lines. The approximate lengths of the pipelines would be 6.08 kilometres (km), 2.86 km, 1.05 km, and 0.81 km respectively. The hydrogen sulphide (H<sub>2</sub>S) content of all pipelines is 0.00 moles per kilomole (0.0 per cent). The proposed pipeline project would be located about 45 km southeast of Hanna.

#### 2.2 Intervention

Ken Simpson and Sylvia Simpson are the landowners, as well as the grazing leaseholders, along a portion of the proposed pipeline project. They own Section 13-30-10 W4M and the northwest quarter of Section 19-30-9 W4M. The grazing leases they hold are for the northwest quarter of Section 18-30-9 W4M, the south half and northeast quarter of Section 19-30-9 W4M, and the northwest quarter of Section 20-30-9 W4M. They currently reside about 95 km southeast from the proposed pipeline project. The Simpsons filed an objection to Application No. 1445684 in a letter dated March 6, 2006, citing issues regarding the route of the pipeline project, fence cuts and crossings, the depth of the pipeline, the cost of moving cattle, removal and/or moving of the pipeline to accommodate future projects, and past operational issues with EOG.

### 3 DISCUSSION

The Board had not issued a Notice of Hearing for the applied-for pipeline project, but had anticipated a public hearing, as the Simpsons were viewed as having standing. The Board notes

that the Simpsons subsequently submitted a letter to the EUB dated July 11, 2006, stating their nonobjection to the applied-for pipeline project. The Board further notes that the Simpsons were the only intervening party to the subject application, as no additional objections were received.

In light of the Simpsons withdrawing their objection to Application No. 1445684, the Board is satisfied that a hearing is not required for the Board to make a disposition on the application for the pipeline project.

As the application meets all applicable EUB requirements, the Board hereby approves the application and directs that the licence for the pipeline project be issued in due course.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on July 18, 2006.

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