

Proceeding ID 368

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By email only**Alberta Wilderness Association**

Attention: Christyann Olson

Re: Request to Participate

Granite Oil Corp. Applications 1893274, 1893275 & 1893277

Dear Ms. Olson:

On October 15, 2018, the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) issued a notice of hearing explaining how to file a request to participate in the hearing of Granite Oil Corp.'s applications 1893274, 1893275, and 1893277. We received your request to participate on behalf of the Alberta Wilderness Association (AWA) on October 30, 2018 and Granite Oil Corp.'s response on November 7, 2018, all within the required filing timelines.

The hearing panel considered your request to participate, your statement of concern, and Granite Oil Corp.'s response. The panel has decided not to grant AWA the right to participate in the hearing for the reasons set out below.

AWA has not shown how it may be directly or adversely affected by the AER's decision on the applications. AWA said that it leads hikes in the area and that some of its members have a grazing lease affected by the proposed development. Asserting use of an area does not constitute a direct and adverse effect nor does having members that may be affected by a project. The panel finds that AWA is not directly and adversely affected.

As AWA is not directly affected by a decision on the application, the panel considered sections 9(2)(c) and 9(3)(d) of the AER *Rules of Practice* which sets out the requirements for persons who are not directly affected to be able to participate. Specifically, section 9(2)(c) of the AER's *Rules of Practice* states that if the person will not be directly and

adversely affected by a decision of the Regulator on the application, their request to participate must contain an explanation of how “(i) the person’s participation will materially assist the Regulator in deciding the matter that is the subject of the hearing, ...” The AWA has not provided specific details on how its participation can materially assist the hearing panel in deciding on the applications. Much of the AWA’s information appears to be general in nature and is not specific to the matters of the hearing. Some information is related, but appears to overlap and duplicate information of other parties. Therefore the hearing panel finds that participation of AWA will not materially assist the hearing.

Please note that AER hearings are open to the public, and you are welcome to attend and observe the hearing. Members of public who attend the AER hearings are required to comply with the AER’s directions that apply to observers. The hearing will also be audio webcast at www.meetview.com/aer .

Yours truly,

Tammy Turner

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