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A Bill to amend The Mines and Minerals Act, 1962

HON. MR. PATRICK

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Explanatory Note

1. This Bill amends The Mines and Minerals Act, 1962, which is chapter 49 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1962.

2. This amendment is consequential to the amendment of The Coal Mines Regulation Act. See Bill 45.

Section 105, subsection (2), clause (a) presently reads:

(2) Where coal rights in a road allowance are held under lease but do not adjoin a location subject to royalty as prescribed by subsection (1) of section 78,

(a) the lessee shall, at least every twelve months, have the holder of a mine surveyor's certificate issued pursuant to The Coal Mines Regulation Act, survey the workings of the mine in so far as they relate to the area included in the road allowance lease, and

3. (a) Permits the grouping of leases held by different lessees.

Section 165, subsection (1) presently reads:

165. (1) Where a notice has been given pursuant to section 164, the lessee may group the whole or part of the location and the whole or part of the location of any other lease or leases held by him

(a) not subject to an offset drilling requirement,

(b) not subject to a unit operation, or

(c) that does not contain a producing well,

and the lessee may fulfil the requirements under the notice by the drilling of the well on any location or part thereof in the group.

(b) Subsections (4) and (5) are amended to conform to changes in subsection (1). Subsection (6) increases the distance to two miles.

Subsections (4), (5) and (6) presently read:

(4) The lessee shall not suspend the drilling of a well in a location or in a group without the consent of the Minister.

(5) Upon the formation of a group, the lessee shall inform the Director in writing and the Director may divide any lease where only a part of the location is included in the group.

(6) Unless the Minister otherwise consents, the well referred to in subsection (1) shall not be located in any spacing unit adjoining or cornering the spacing unit in which a producing well exists at the day on which the Director is informed of the formation of the group.

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An Act to amend The Mines and Minerals Act, 1962

(Assented to , 1966)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. The Mines and Minerals Act, 1962 is hereby amended.

2. Section 105, subsection (2) is amended by striking out clause (a) and by substituting the following:

(a) the lessee shall, at least every twelve months, have a mine surveyor survey the workings of the mine in so far as they relate to the area included in the road allowance, and

3. Section 165 is amended

(a) by striking out subsection (1) and by substituting the following:

165. (1) Where a notice has been given pursuant to section 164, the lessee may group the whole or part of the location and the whole or part of the location of any other lease or leases held by him or by others

(a) not subject to an offset drilling requirement,

(b) not subject to a unit operation, or

(c) that does not contain a producing well,

and the requirements under the notice may be fulfilled by the drilling of the well on any location or part thereof in the group.

(b) by striking out subsections (4), (5) and (6) and by substituting the following:

(4) The drilling of a well in a location or in a group shall not be suspended without the consent of the Minister.

4. The amendment makes the clause conform to the changes in section 165(1).

Section 168, clause (b) presently reads:

168. The Minister may cancel a lease in respect of which a notice under section 164 was given where
(b) the lessee fails to comply with subsection (4) of section 165, or

5. Commencement of Act.

(5) Upon the formation of a group, the lessee or someone on his behalf shall inform the Director in writing and the Director may divide any lease where only a part of the location is included in the group.

(6) Unless the Minister otherwise consents, the well referred to in subsection (1) shall not be located within two miles of a producing well existing at the day on which the Director is informed of the formation of the group.

4. Section 168 is amended by striking out clause (b) and by substituting the following:

(b) there is a failure to comply with subsection (4) of section 165, or

5. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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