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November 30, 2020

Dear John Hawkins:

Redacted Operations Authorization
Application for Public Registry (OA-2020-001-PAR)

On November 13, 2020, the Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) received an application for an Operations Authorization for the abandonment of four wells in the Fort Liard area from Paramount Resources Ltd. (Paramount). The application package included a version redacted by Paramount for posting on OROGO's public registry.

I have reviewed the redacted version of Paramount's application package against the confidentiality provisions contained in section 22(2) of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act* (OGOA). I have also considered the provisions for protection of personal information in the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (ATIPPA), to the extent that they apply to information received for the purposes of OGOA. I find that:

- The redaction of personal information (names and contact information) in some documents does not result in a conflict or inconsistency with section 22 of OGOA, as this information is not necessary for the document to be understood by the public. Therefore, OROGO has identified and redacted personal information from the Emergency Response Plan, the Project Specific Site Safety Plan and the Environmental Protection Plan; and
- The redaction of contact information for stakeholders in Table 4 of the July 2020 Engagement Plan Fort Liard, NWT is not consistent with section 22 of OGOA, as this contact information is for the organization as a whole and is already publicly available from the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board.

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Enclosed is a revised redacted version of Paramount's application, reflecting the above findings, for your records. This redacted version will be posted on OROGO's public registry.

If you have any questions, please contact OROGO at (867) 767-9097 or orogo@gov.nt.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Pauline de Jong', written in a cursive style.

Pauline de Jong
Regulator

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