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John Hawkins  
Director Asset Management  
Paramount Resources Ltd  
Suite 2800, 421 – 7 AVE SW  
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February 11, 2019

Dear John Hawkins:

**Letter of Decision: ACW-2018-010-PAR-H-78-WID0156**

On December 11, 2018, the Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) received a complete application from Paramount Resources Ltd. (Paramount) for the abandonment of the Celibeta No 2 H-78 well.

Paramount also filed additional information with OROGO in response to the following Information Requests:

Information Request No. 1 – received from Paramount on December 20, 2018 and January 9, 2019

Information Request No. 2 – received from Paramount on January 24, 2019

Information Request No. 3 – received from Paramount on February 5, 2019

The Regulator, designated under section 121 of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act* (OGOA), may issue a Well Approval under section 10(4) of that act. The Regulator has delegated the power to issue authorizations under section 10(4) of OGOA to the Chief Conservation Officer, in accordance with section 8 of that act.

I have reviewed Paramount's description of its proposed activity and find that the application demonstrates that this activity will be conducted safely, without waste and without pollution, in compliance with the *Oil and Gas Drilling and Production Regulations*. Therefore, Paramount's application is approved, subject to the terms contained in the attached Well Approval.

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Paramount must post a copy of the attached Well Approval in a clearly visible location at the work site.

Sincerely,



Pauline de Jong  
Chief Conservation Officer

Encl. ACW-2018-010-PAR-H-78-WID0156

**WELL APPROVAL**

Subject to the terms listed below, a well approval is granted under Section 10 of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act* and Part 2 of the *Oil and Gas Drilling and Production Regulations* to


Company Name Paramount Resources Ltd.	Company Operating Licence # NWT-OL-2014-014
Responsible Officer and Title John Hawkins, Director, Asset Management	

to proceed with the works and activities described in its December 11, 2018 application for

Type of Work Well abandonment	Settlement Area or Region Dehcho
Scope of Work Abandonment of the Celibeta No. 2 H-78 well (WID0156).	

This approval is granted under Operations Authorization OA-2018-004-PAR and expires on April 30, 2020.

Dated at Yellowknife, Northwest Territories on February 11, 2019.

Name of Regulator / Delegate Ms. Pauline de Jong	Signature of Regulator / Delegate 
Title Chief Conservation Officer	

### **ADDITIONAL TERMS**

1. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall cause the approved work and activities to be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act* and the *Oil and Gas Drilling and Production Regulations*, as well as any other acts or legislation as may apply.
2. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall cause the approved work and activities to be conducted in accordance with any guidelines and/or interpretation notes issued by the Regulator under section 18 of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act*.
3. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall cause the approved work and activities to be conducted in accordance with the specifications, standards and other information referred to in its application received December 11, 2018 and subsequent submissions.
4. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall request approval from the Chief Conservation Officer prior to undertaking any change to or deviation from the authorized work or activities, including but not limited to key personnel, the safety plan, the environmental protection plan and contingency plans.
5. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall provide all staff and contractors for this program with its Emergency Response Plan and the OROGO 24-hour Incident Reporting phone number (867-445-8551) prior to commencing any work or activity.
6. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall notify OROGO at least 10 days prior to the start of well abandonment operations.
7. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall submit to OROGO certificates and inspection documents for any service rig, well control and associated equipment (including boilers) at least 10 days prior to the rig commencing work.
8. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall submit to OROGO an updated operator contact list for this program prior to any work or activity.
9. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall submit to OROGO a completed Change of Well Status form 30 days after the service rig release date or when the operation has been successfully completed.
10. Paramount Resources Ltd. shall report any emergency flaring or venting in accordance with section 67(b) of the *Oil and Gas Drilling and Production Regulations*.