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John Hawkins
Director Asset Management
Paramount Resources Ltd
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February 28, 2020

Dear John Hawkins:

Letter of Decision:

Application for an Amendment to ACW-2018-010-PAR-H-78-WID0156

On February 28, 2020, the Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) received an application from Paramount Resources Ltd. (Paramount) to amend Well Approval ACW-2018-010-PAR-H-78-WID0156 for the abandonment of the Celibeta No.2 H-78 well.

The Regulator, designated under section 121 of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act* (OGOA), may issue an Operations Authorization under section 10(1) of that act, subject to any Well Approvals that the Regulator may require under section 10(4) of OGOA. The Regulator may vary the terms of an Operations Authorization under section 10(6) of OGOA. The Regulator has delegated its powers under section 10 of OGOA to me, in accordance with section 8 of that act.

I have reviewed Paramount's application for an amendment and find that the proposed activity will be conducted safely, without waste and without pollution, in compliance with the *Oil and Gas Drilling and Production Regulations* with the exemption under section 54(1)(b) of OGOA as identified in the letter from the Chief Conservation Officer and Chief Safety Officer dated February 28, 2020. Therefore, Paramount's application for an amendment 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. de Jong', is written over the typed name and title.

**Pauline de Jong
Chief Conservation Officer**

Encl. Well Approval ACW-2018-010-PAR-H-78-WID0156, Variation #1

c. Richard Bean, Paramount Resources Ltd.

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


to proceed with the works and activities described in its February 28, 2020 amendment application for

Type of Work	Settlement Area or Region
Well abandonment	
Scope of Work	
Abandonment of the Celibeta No. 2 H-78 well (WID0156)	
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This approval, granted under Operations Authorization OA-2018-004-PAR, was originally issued on February 11, 2019, has been varied by the Regulator or its delegate under Section 10 of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act* and may be further so varied.

This approval expires on April 30, 2020.

Dated at Yellowknife, Northwest Territories on February 28, 2020.

Name of Regulator / Delegate	Signature of Regulator / Delegate
Ms. Pauline de Jong	
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 amendment application received February 28, 2020 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*.**



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