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September 28, 2023

Dear Jonathon Michel:

Decision: Application for Well Approval (ACW-2023-AC-G-04-WID1915)

On February 14, 2023, the Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) received a complete application from Aurora College to abandon the Aurora Training Well G-04 (WID1915).

OROGO also received Aurora College's responses to information requests as follows:

- Information Request No. 1 – received on received on March 6, 2023;
- Information Request No. 2 – received on May 1, 2023; and
- Information Request No. 3 – received on May 31, 2023.

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. On August 2, 2020, the Commissioner in Executive Council designated me as the Regulator under section 121 of OGOA.

I have reviewed Aurora College'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, Aurora College's application is approved, subject to the terms contained in the attached Well Approval.

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Aurora College 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 'Pauline de Jong', is written over the printed name.

Pauline de Jong
Regulator

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- c. Glenda Vardy-Dell, President, Aurora College
Lorne Hammer, Canadian Petroleum Engineering Inc.
Ron McCosh, Canadian Petroleum Engineering Inc.

WELL APPROVAL


Subject to the terms listed below, well approval **ACW-2023-AC-G-04-WID1915** 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	Operating Licence #
Aurora College	NWT-OL-2014-019
Responsible Officer	Operations Authorization #
Jonathon Michel, Director, Aurora Campus	OA-2022-001-AC

for

Well Name and Well ID#	
Aurora Training Well G-04 (WID1915)	
Type of Work	Region
Abandonment	Gwich'in

This approval expires on **November 1, 2024**

Issued at	Issued on
Yellowknife, Northwest Territories	September 28, 2023
Issued by	Signature
Pauline de Jong, Regulator	

Additional Terms

1. Aurora College 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. Aurora College 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. Aurora College shall cause the approved work and activities to be conducted in accordance with the specifications, standards and other information referred to in its application dated February 14, 2023, and subsequent submissions.
4. Aurora College shall request approval from the Regulator 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. Aurora College 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. Aurora College shall notify OROGO at least 10 days prior to the start of approved operations.
7. Aurora College 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. Aurora College shall submit to OROGO an updated operator contact list for this program prior to any work or activity.
9. If Aurora College must conduct casing repairs on the Aurora Training Well G-04 (WID1915), it shall apply to the Regulator for a variation to this approval and include an updated program that meets the requirements of Section 6A of the *Well Suspension and Abandonment Guidelines and Interpretation Notes* sub-section "Wells with Casing Patching, Casing Failures and Previously Cement Squeezed Intervals".
10. If Aurora College conducts remedial cementing on the Aurora Training Well G-04 (WID1915), it shall locate any cement plugs placed as required in Section 6C of the *Well Suspension and Abandonment Guidelines and Interpretation Notes* and shall report this information to OROGO prior to continuing abandonment operations.
11. Aurora College shall submit to OROGO a final well abandonment program, reflecting all commitments made by Aurora College and decisions of the Regulator, by October 16, 2023.
12. Aurora College shall submit to OROGO a final schedule of operations by October 16, 2023.
13. Aurora College shall submit to OROGO a Daily Report outlining all activities undertaken for each day of the operation under this well approval no later than 10:00 a.m. the following day.

14. Aurora College 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.