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January 14, 2019

Dear Mark Cliffe-Phillips:

**Preliminary Screening:**  
**Paramount Resources Ltd. Application for an Operations Authorization**

The Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) has received an application for an Operations Authorization from Paramount Resources Ltd. Under section 124 of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*, an Operations Authorization triggers the requirement for a preliminary screening.

The application proposes the abandonment of two wells: Bovie J-76 and Celibeta No.2 H-78.

The Bovie J-76 well was subject to an environmental assessment (EA00-003) by the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board.

The abandonment of the Celibeta No.2 H-78 well was subject to preliminary screening by the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board when Land Use Permit MV2018A0022 and Water Licence MV2018L1-0005 were issued.

Accordingly, I have:

- Determined that the abandonment of the Bovie J-76 well is exempt from preliminary screening in accordance with Schedule 1, section 2.1 of the *Exemption List Regulations* established under the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*; and

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- Adopted the preliminary screening conducted by the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board for Land Use Permit MV2018A0022 and Water Licence MV2018L1-0005 that were issued with respect to the abandonment of the Celibeta No.2 H-78 well.

Please contact me at (867)767-9097 or by email at [James.Fulford@gov.nt.ca](mailto:James.Fulford@gov.nt.ca) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



James Fulford  
Chief Conservation Officer

- c. John Hawkins, Director Asset Management, Paramount Resources Ltd.