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June 14, 2023

Dear John Hawkins:

Operations Authorization for the Abandonment of the East Mackay I-78 Well

On May 19, 2023, I wrote to MGM Energy (MGM) explaining that the abandonment of the East Mackay I-78 well (WID2078) was not scoped into its current application for an Operations Authorization (OA-2019-002-MGM) and asking MGM to clarify whether it will apply to:

- Amend the scope of OA-2019-002-MGM to include the abandonment of the East Mackay I-78 well (WID2078); or
- Obtain a separate Operations Authorization for the abandonment of the East Mackay I-78 well and, if so, when it intends to submit this application.

As I noted in my May 19, 2023, letter, MGM has already applied for a Well Approval for the East Mackay I-78 well abandonment (ACW-2022-MGM-I-78-WID2078). MGM has also indicated to the Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations that it plans to complete the well abandonment during the winter 2024 work season. As you are aware, the Well Approval cannot be issued, and the abandonment cannot occur, without an Operations Authorization.

Therefore, please provide the clarification requested no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 26, 2023, by email to oro.go@gov.nt.ca.

Sincerely,



Pauline de Jong
Regulator