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June 26, 2024

Dear John Hawkins:

**Information Request No. 10:
Compliance with March 31, 2025, Abandonment Deadline (OA-2019-002-MGM)**

On June 12, 2019, MGM Energy (MGM) applied to the Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) for an Operation Authorization (OA-2019-002-MGM) to abandon the wells listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Wells Scoped into OA-2019-002-MGM

Compliant Wells	Non-Compliant Wells
Nogha M-17 (WID1970) Nogha B-23 (WID1998) Lac Maunoir C-34 (WID1995) Lac Maunoir E-35 (WID2012)	Nogha C-49 (WID1934) West Nogha K-14 (WID2006)

On October 16, 2023, I issued a decision confirming the March 31, 2025, abandonment deadline for these wells. Since that decision was issued, MGM has not communicated with OROGO about its progress towards meeting this deadline and has not provided the proof of financial responsibility required (see my decision letter on proof of financial responsibility for OA-2019-002-MGM, issued on May 19, 2023).

Therefore, OROGO requires additional information from MGM, as set out in the attached Information Request No. 10.

Please send your written responses and any associated correspondence to OROGO on or before 4:00 p.m. on July 15, 2024, by email at oroogo@gov.nt.ca or through OROGO's secure file transfer site.

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If you are unable to respond within this timeframe or have any questions, please contact OROGO at 867-767-9097 or by email at orogo@gov.nt.ca.

Sincerely,



Pauline de Jong
Regulator

MGM Energy
OA-2019-002-MGM
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10.1 Proof of Financial Responsibility

Preamble:

On May 19, 2023, the Regulator issued a decision on the amount of proof of financial responsibility required from MGM to meet the requirements of sections 13 and 64(1) of the *Oil and Gas Operations Authorization (OGO)* for OA-2019-002-MGM.

MGM has not yet provided the required proof of financial responsibility.

Request:

Please identify the date by which MGM will submit the required proof of financial responsibility to OROGO.

10.2 Staging of Equipment to Support Operations

Preamble:

In its June 15, 2023, response to Information Request No. 7 for OA-2019-002-MGM, MGM indicated that completing the abandonment operations under OA-2019-002-MGM is a two-year process:

- Year 1: Equipment will be brought to Colville Lake on the winter road system.
- Year 2: The equipment in Colville Lake will be used to complete the abandonment operations.

The Department of Infrastructure (GNWT) provided the following information about the winter road to Colville Lake in 2024:

- The winter road to Colville Lake opened on February 1, 2024, and was available to maximum weight vehicles as of February 29, 2024.
- On March 28, 2024, the winter road closed from Wrigley to Tulita.
- The road from Tulita to Colville Lake remained open until April 2, 2024.

Therefore, it was possible for MGM to move equipment from southern Canada or elsewhere in the NWT to Colville Lake using the winter road system in winter 2024.

Request:

Please clarify whether MGM staged the equipment required to complete the well abandonment operations under OA-2024-002-MGM to Colville Lake in winter 2024.

If MGM staged the required equipment, please confirm MGM's intention to complete the well abandonments by March 31, 2025.

If MGM did not stage the required equipment, please provide:

- A detailed explanation why MGM chose not to stage equipment in winter 2024; and
- A detailed explanation of how MGM intends to meet the March 31, 2025, abandonment deadline.