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Dear Mark Cliffe-Phillips:

**Preliminary Screening Determination:
Suncor Energy Inc. Application for an Operations Authorization (OA-2021-003-SUN)**

The Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) received a complete application for an Operations Authorization from Suncor Energy Inc. (Suncor) on May 31, 2021, for the abandonment of the Tweed Lake M-47 (WID1476), Tweed Lake A-67 (WID1555), and Bele O-35 (WID1600) wells.

Under section 124 of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*, an Operations Authorization triggers the requirement for a preliminary screening.

Suncor also applied to the Sahtu Land and Water Board (SLWB) for a Land Use Permit incorporating the well abandonments (S22A-001). On August 11, 2022, the SLWB issued its preliminary screening determination for S22A-001. No notice of referral to environmental assessment was received.

Accordingly, I have adopted the preliminary screening conducted by the SLWB for Land Use Permit S22A-001 for OA-2021-003-SUN.

Please contact me at (867)767-9097 or by email at oro.go@gov.nt.ca if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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