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January 27, 2023

Dear Jonathan Michel and Lorne Hammer:

## Notice: Non-compliance with Regulator's Direction (OA-2022-001-AC)

On December 12, 2022, Aurora College applied to the Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) for an Operations Authorization (OA-2022-001-AC) for the abandonment of the Aurora College Training Well G-04 (WID1915). This well is due for abandonment by March 31, 2023, and an Operations Authorization is required to carry out any oil and gas activity, including well abandonments.

On December 16, 2022, OROGO issued Information Request No. 1 (IR1) in response to Aurora College's application. Aurora College's response was due on or before 4:00 p.m. on January 4, 2023. Aurora College did not respond.

On January 6, 2023, OROGO notified you of the overdue IR1 and set a new deadline for response on or before 4:00 p.m. on January 9, 2023. Aurora College did not respond.

On January 11, 2023, at 10:52am, Mike Martin, Senior Technical Advisor, spoke with Jonathan Michel, Director, Aurora Campus, by telephone to follow up on the overdue response to IR1. Mr. Michel indicated that Aurora College would respond that week, but Aurora College did not respond.

On January 13, 2023, I issued direction to Aurora College to provide a complete and fulsome response to IR1 on or before 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2023.

Aurora College has not responded to IR1, subsequent requests, or the Regulator's direction and has not contacted OROGO to request an extension to the deadline for responding to IR1. In fact, Aurora College has made no attempt to communicate with OROGO about IR1 since December 16, 2022.

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Therefore, I give notice that Aurora College is non-compliant with the direction provided by the Regulator on January 13, 2023.

Failure to comply with the direction of the Regulator may result in further enforcement activity, up to and including an order by the Regulator under section 20 of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act* (OGOA).

Sub-section 114(1)(d) of OGOA states:

"Every person is guilty of an offence who fails to comply with . . . an order of the Committee or the Regulator made under this Act."

Sub-section 114(2) of OGOA states:

"Every person who is guilty of an offence under subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$1,000,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or to both."

Upon receipt of this notice, please contact Mike Martin, Senior Technical Advisor, at 867-767-9097 x 78006 to discuss Aurora College's response to IR1.

Sincerely,

Pauline de Jong

Regulator