



October 6, 2020

Enforcement File 2020-1044

ARC Resources Ltd.
1200, 308-4th Avenue SW
Calgary, Alberta, T2P 0H7

Re: Pump off at 8-13-81-17 W6M

Attention: Mr. Nathan Fraser, Environmental Coordinator

Dear Mr. Fraser,

On August 5, 2020, OGC staff visited ARC Resources Ltd. (ARC) facility at 8-13-81-17 W6M. At the time of the visit ARC was pumping accumulated surface water (liquid) from the facility location. The liquid had been tested and met the discharge parameters of section 7 of the Oil and Gas Waste Regulation. However, OGC staff traced the liquid discharge to a nearby tributary of 8 Mile Creek, a surface water course.

Section 7(2)(e)(i) of the Oil and Gas Waste Regulation states :

Subject to subsection (3) and section 8 of this regulation, the operators of equipment or facilities are authorized to discharge to land the following wastes:

e) water used in hydrostatic pipeline testing, accumulated precipitation in flare pits and surface runoff from sites associated with equipment and facilities identified in sections 4 and 6, if

(i) the liquid is not allowed to enter a surface watercourse or surface water body and is not discharged in a location where it could reasonably be expected to enter a surface watercourse or surface water body,

Section 6(2) of the Environmental Management Act states:

Subject to subsection (5), a person must not introduce or cause or allow waste to be introduced into the environment in the course of conducting a prescribed industry, trade or business.

ARC was not in compliance with the Oil and Gas Waste Regulation and is hereby warned for the following:

ARC, on or about August 5, 2020, at or near Fort St. John, did contravene section 7(2)(e)(i) of the Oil and Gas Waste Regulation and did thereby contravene Section 6(2) of the Environmental Management Act.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Oil and Gas Commission