

January 4, 2012

8100-4800-32640-02

Jill Schmeichel Regulatory Advisor Newalta Corporation 211 – 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.W. Calgary AB T2R 0C6

Dear Ms. Schmeichel:

RE:

NON-HAZARDOUS WASTE & SALT WATER DISPOSAL SPECIAL PROJECT

NEWALTA W STODDART 10-14-87-21 W6M; WA# 2777

AMENDMENT #1

HALFWAY FORMATION

Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) staff have reviewed the application, dated October 5, 2011, requesting approval to dispose of non-hazardous waste into the Halfway formation of the subject well.

Approval for disposal of produced salt water was granted September 16, 2002, successfully disposing of a total volume of 250 10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> to-date. This application provides for disposal capacity of non-hazardous waste liquids from area oil and gas operations.

Attached please find Order 02-02-012 Amendment #1, designating an area in the Stoddart West field – Halfway formation a Special Project under section 75 of the Oil and Gas Activities Act, for use of a storage reservoir for the disposal of non-hazardous waste generated from oil and gas operations.

The Ministry of Environment identifies the type of effluent approved for injection in the separate Waste Discharge Permit, granted under the Environmental Management Act.

Operation of the disposal project will be subject to periodic review and the Commission may modify the Order, if deemed appropriate.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ron Stefik at (250) 419-4430.

Sincerely,

Paul Jèákins

Commissioner & CEO
Oil and Gas Commission

Attachment

IN THE MATTER of the application from Newalta Corporation, to the Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) dated October 5, 2011 for the operation and use of a storage reservoir.

## ORDER 02-02-012 (AMENDMENT #1)

1 Under Section 75(1)(d) of the *Oil and Gas Activities Act*, the Commission designates the operation and use of a storage reservoir for the disposal of produced salt water and non-hazardous waste fluids generated from oil and gas operations, into the Stoddart West area – Halfway formation as a special project in the following area:

DLS TWP 87 RGE 21 W6M SECT 14 - Lsds 9,10,15,16

- 2 Under section 75(2) of the *Oil and Gas Activities Act*, the special project designation in this Order is subject to the following conditions:
  - a) Produced salt water and non-hazardous waste shall be injected only into the Halfway formation through the well Newalta W Stoddart 10-14-87-21 W6M (Well Permit # 2777).
  - b) A record of volume disposed of through this well must be included on a Monthly Injection/Disposal Statement, in the prescribed form (BC-S18), which must be submitted to the Oil and Gas Commission not later than the 25<sup>th</sup> day of the month following the reported month.
  - c) The non-hazardous waste disposal must be in accordance with the approval conditions of a Waste Discharge Permit, issued by the Ministry of Environment.
  - d) The disposal/injection pressure at the wellhead must not exceed 23,000 kPag.
  - e) Annulus and tubing pressures must be continually monitored and recorded.

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Commissioner & CEO
Oil and Gas Commission

DATED AT the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, this day of January 2012.