

February 24, 2020

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Michael Reinhart, P.Eng. Production Engineer Cona Resources Ltd. 1900, 222 – 3rd Ave SW Calgary, AB T2P 0B4

Dear Michael Reinhart:

RE: PRESSURE MAINTENANCE WATERFLOOD ORDER 96-09-006 AMENDMENT #4
RIGEL FIELD – CECIL 'B' POOL

The Commission is presently reviewing and amending waterflood approvals to conform to current requirements. The continued operation of a pressure maintenance waterflood in the Rigel field – Cecil 'B' pool by Cona Resources Ltd. requires this review.

The discovery well, Cona et al Rigel 6-22-88-18 (WA 8265), was drilled and began production in October 1993. An additional fifteen wells were drilled into the pool from 1993 to 2000 and two final wells were drilled in 2007. Approval for waterflood was granted on November 22nd of 1996 and injection began in the same month. Initial approval allowed for injection into two wells and subsequent amendments were granted to allow conversion of an additional two wells to injection service. The eighteen wells in the pool include: three active oil production wells, two active observation wells, two active injection wells, and the remainder are suspended or abandoned.

The following Orders are attached;

- 1) Order 96-09-006 Amendment #4 designating Pressure Maintenance Waterflood within the Rigel field Cecil 'B' pool, as a Special Project under section 75 of the Oil and Gas Activities Act, and
- 2) Order 96-09-006 Amendment #4 OTN approving Other Than Normal Spacing under section 65.1 of the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act for the subject area and formation.

This amended approval includes a maximum wellhead injection pressure (MWHIP), an ultimate pool pressure limit, restriction of injection for the purpose of oil recovery, and a requirement for annual reservoir pressure tests on the injectors and/or producers. The ultimate reservoir pressure has been limited to the initial pool pressure. Only the two active injectors (WA 9369 and WA 9842) are approved for injection in the Order as all other injectors have not reported injection volumes in over six years.

Please note that, as per section 75 of the *Drilling and Production Regulation*, a record of the volume of water injected and the MWHIP must be included on a Monthly Injection statement to the Commission via Petrinex not later than 20th day of the month following the reported month.

Should you have any questions, please contact Logan Gray at (250) 419-4465 or the undersigned at (250) 419-4430.

Sincerely,

Ron Stefik, EngL

Supervisor, Reservoir Engineering

Oil and Gas Commission

Attachments



ORDER 96-09-006 - Amendment #4

1. Under Section 75 (1) (a) of the *Oil and Gas Activities Act*, the Commission designates by Order the development and production of petroleum and natural gas from a pool using pressure maintenance waterflood enhanced recovery scheme within the Rigel field – Cecil 'B' pool following area;

DLS Twp 88 Rge 18 W6M: NW/4 sec 4, sec 9, W/2 sec 10, W/2 sec 15, E/2 & SW4 sec

16, SE/4 sec 21, sec 22, sec 27, and sec 34.

NTS 94-A-10 Block K – frac unit 12 & 13, unit 22 & 23.

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) The project unadjusted daily oil allowable (UDOA) shall be based on the previous month's voidage replacement.
- b) All associated produced gas must be conserved.
- c) Water may be injected into the wells:

Cona et al Rigel 13-15-88-18 (WA 8857), interval 1,185.0-1,187.8 mKB Cona Rigel 10-27-88-18 (WA 9327), interval 1,169.0-1,171.0 mKB

- i) Inject only through tubing with a packer set as near as is practical above the injection interval.
- ii) Not exceed an injection pressure, measured at the wellhead of 12,025 kPag for wells listed in (c), or the pressure required to fracture the formation, whichever is lesser.
- d) An annual reservoir pressure must be obtained from at least one of the wells listed below, and submitted to the Commission within 60 days via e-submission.

Cona et al Rigel 6-22-88-18 (WA 8265) Cona et al Rigel 10-22-88-18 (WA 8441) Cona et al Rigel 13-15-88-18 (WA 8857) Cona Rigel 10-27-88-18 (WA 9327) Cona Rigel 3-27-88-18 (WA 9346) Cona et al Rigel 1-27-88-18 (WA 23130)

- e) Not exceed an average pool pressure of 10,900 kPaa measured at 502.0 meters subsea.
- f) Cease injection for a well listed in (c) and notify the Commission immediately if hydraulic isolation is lost in the wellbore or formation
- g) Include the monthly injected volume, injection hours and the maximum injection pressure value for the well listed in (c) via Petrinex.
- h) Injection must cease upon termination of production from the pool.



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- I. A production packer must be set above the injection interval and the space between the tubing and casing filled with corrosion and frost inhibiting fluids, as per section 16(2) of the Drilling and Production Regulation.
- II. Annual packer isolation tests are required to be completed and submitted, as per section 16(3) of the Drilling and Production Regulation.
- III. Injected fluids must be metered and the injection pressure measured at the wellhead, as per section 74 of the Drilling and Production Regulation.
- IV. A monthly injection statement must be submitted to Petrinex not later than the 20th day of the month following the reported month, as per section 75 of the Drilling and Production Regulation.
- V. Seismic events must be reported and injection operations suspended as per section 21.1 of the Drilling and Production Regulation.

Ron Stefik, Eng.L.

Supervisor, Reservoir Engineering

Oil and Gas Commission

DATED AT the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, this 24 day of February 2020.



ORDER 96-09-006 - Amendment #4 - OTN

1 Under Section 65.1(2) of the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act*, Other Than Normal Spacing within the Rigel field – Cecil 'B' pool is hereby approved within the following area;

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Twp 88 Rge 18 W6M: NW/4 sec 4, sec 9, W/2 sec 10, W/2 sec 15, E/2 & SW4 sec

16, SE/4 sec 21, sec 22, sec 27, and sec 34.

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Block K – frac unit 12 & 13, unit 22 & 23.

- 2 Under section 65.1(3) of the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, I specify the following:
 - a) the target area for an oil well completed within the project area is not nearer than 100 m to the sides of the Other Than Normal Spacing area,
 - b) an oil well completed outside the specified target area may be subject to an off-target production penalty,
 - c) oil wells drilled within the specified project area are not subject to spacing requirements.

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