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To: All Companies Regulated by the Canadian Energy Regulator (CER) using Appendix XVI Abandonment Funding Reporting Forms

Abandonment Funding Reporting Form - Appendix XVI

In May 2015, the National Energy Board (NEB)¹ released MH-001-2013 (Decision) [Filing ID A60676] regarding set-aside and collection mechanisms for abandonment cost funding. The Decision set out a requirement for the submission of annual reporting forms. All companies, including those using trusts, letters of credit, surety bonds, or those that had been otherwise exempted from filing a set-aside mechanism, must file the appropriate reporting form.

The annual reporting form for Group 2 companies using letters of credit, surety bonds or exempt companies was included as Appendix XVI of the MH-001-2013 Decision, which has now been **updated as Appendix XVI (December 2019)**.

This letter is a **reminder** that the deadline to file the Appendix XVI form is **31 January 2020**. Companies are expected to report on the most recently approved Abandonment Cost Estimate amounts and underpinning financial instruments.

Please submit your reporting form electronically on the <u>Electronic Document Submission</u> under 'Other'. Please reference the above file number in your submission. If you have questions or need guidance on how to submit your reporting form, you may contact the CER at <u>Financial.Regulation@cer-rec.gc.ca</u>.

Yours sincerely,

Original signed by

L. George Secretary of the Commission

¹ On 28 August 2019, the *Canadian Energy Regulator Act* (CER Act) came into force, and the CER replaced the NEB. The transitional provisions associated with the CER Act specify that decisions or orders made by the NEB are considered to have been made under the CER Act.

