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Dear Mr. Acom:

Paramount Resources Ltd. Cameron Hills Drilling Project Environmental Assessment

In response to your request (12 December 2000), please be advised that the National Energy Board (NEB) is a Designated Regulatory Agency in respect of this project.

The NEB regulates the project pursuant to the Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act (COGOA) with respect to safety, protection of the environment and conservation of oil and gas resources. In addition to COGOA, the undertaking of the proposal would be subject to the Canada Oil and Gas Drilling Regulations, the Canada Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Regulations and the Canada Labour Code - Part II. Specifics of the proposed oil and gas well drilling proposal, and the resultant data obtained, would be subject to the Canada Petroleum Resources Act and would be considered privileged information under provision 101(2) of that Act.

The NEB would be pleased to provide the Review Board with technical information with respect to drilling operations of this nature, as needed and as available. Please address any information requests to Mr. Terry Baker, Chief Conservation Officer. Thank you.

Yours truly,

T.M. Baker

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