Notice Of Public Tender

Crown Petroleum and Natural Gas Rights



Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources

Oil and Gas Division

February 19, 2020

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA MINISTRY OF ENERGY, MINES AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF COMPETITION FOR THE RIGHT TO EXPLORE AND DEVELOP CROWN PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS RESOURCES February 19, 2020

Under section 71 of the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act* (the Act), sealed bids will be received up to **12:00 noon**, **Wednesday February 19, 2020** for the privilege of obtaining petroleum and natural gas rights detailed in the parcel descriptions below.

Bids must be addressed to the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, and submitted to the office of the Executive Director, Tenure and Geoscience Branch, Oil and Gas Division, 6th floor, 1810 Blanshard Street, V8T 4J1.

Bidding procedures and requirements are detailed in the Guide to Acquiring Crown Petroleum and Natural Gas Tenures A copy of this guide can be requested by email at pngtitles@gov.bc.ca or by telephone at (250) 952-0333.

In order to be considered, a bid must be prepared and submitted consistent with the requirements specified in the Guide to Acquiring Crown Petroleum and Natural Gas Tenures. This includes the requirement to submit the \$500 issuance fee and first year's rent as indicated in the list of parcels below.

A bid is evaluated against other bids received for the parcel, the geological potential of the parcel, and historical and current bidding trends. Tenure is awarded based on this evaluation. The Minister reserves the right to reject any or all bids if it is determined that acceptance of the bid(s) would not be in the best interest of the Crown.

Tenure is issued in accordance with and conveys the rights described in the Act.

The Ministry considers referral comments received from provincial agencies, local governments and First Nations which are incorporated, where appropriate, as specific information in the parcel descriptions. Parcels may overlap one or more legal designations that may affect operations associated with the tenure, including, but not limited to:

- Ungulate Winter Ranges,
- Wildlife Habitat Areas,
- Old Growth Management Areas,
- Agricultural Land Reserve,
- Protected Areas & Parks,
- Indian Reserves,
- Existing resource use and Land Act tenures, and
- Reserves issued under various Provincial and Federal legislation.

This is not an exhaustive list and legal designations may be added or changed.

The grant of tenure does not guarantee the issuance of a permit to conduct oil and gas activity. Successful bidders must apply for activity permits from the BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) under the Oil and Gas Activities Act and/or from other agencies where applicable. The Commission may impose conditions on activity permits. The Commission uses Area-based Analysis (ABA) as a tool in the application review process (for more information please contact the Commission). Successful bidders should also be aware that they will be required to abide by the various laws governing

exploration and development whether or not specific terms are listed in this notice. The laws governing exploration and development may be amended from time to time.

For More Information:

Executive Director, Tenure and Geoscience Branch Oil and Gas Division Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources PO Box 9326, Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9N3 Telephone: (250) 952-0333 Facsimile: (250) 952-0331 Email: pngtitles@gov.bc.ca Oil and Gas Commission PO Box 933 Victoria, BC V8W 9N3 Telephone: (250) 419-4400 http://www.bcogc.ca/contact

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

DATED at Victoria, British Columbia

this 9th day of January, 2020

Michelle Mungall

Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources

Tenure Types and Rights Conferred:

Permits confer the exclusive right to apply under the Oil and Gas Activities Act to do exploratory drilling for petroleum, natural gas or both on land owned by the government and within the boundaries of the location of the permit. The issue or existence of a permit does not prohibit a person other than the holder of the permit from carrying out geological work or geophysical exploration in the permit area in accordance with the Oil and Gas Activities Act. (PNG Act, s. 38(1) and (2))

Drilling licences confer the right to explore for petroleum and natural gas. (PNG Act: Drilling Licence Regulation, s.1)

Leases confer the exclusive right to produce, in accordance with the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act and the Oil and Gas Activities Act, both the petroleum and natural gas referred to in the lease. (PNG Act, s. 50)

	DRILLING LICENCES		
PARCEL	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	НА	
67108	TRACT 1	1057	
	TWP 088 RGE 17 W6M SEC 9W		
	INCLUDING PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS ALL ZONES		
	TRACT 2		
	TWP 088 RGE 17 W6M SEC 9E 21 23 24		
	INCLUDING PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS BELOW BASE OF 43001 BLUESKY-GETHING- DUNLEVY		
	43001 BLUESKY-GETHING-DUNLEVY ZONE DEFINED IN THE INTERVAL 1007.9M-1100.4M ON THE BHC ACOUSTILOG GAMMA RAY LOG OF THE WELL W.A. 6790 A-7-E/94-H-02		
CAVEATS	THE GRANT OF TENURE DOES NOT GUARANTEE THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT TO CONDUCT OIL AND GAS ACTIVITY. SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MUST APPLY FOR ACTIVITY PERMITS FROM THE BC OIL AND GAS COMMISSION (COMMISSION) UNDER THE OIL AND GAS ACTIVITIES ACT AND/OR FROM OTHER AGENCIES WHERE APPLICABLE. THE COMMISSION MAY DENY PERMIT APPLICATIONS OR MAY IMPOSE CONDITIONS ON ACTIVITY PERMITS.		
	PARCEL LOCATED WITHIN TREATY 8 AREA AND WAS REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING FIRST NATION(S) FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT (NOTE THAT SUBSEQUENT CONSULTATION WITH FIRST NATIONS, NOT NECESSARILY LIMITED TO THOSE LISTED BELOW, MAY BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO ACTIVITIES BEING AUTHORIZED):		
	- DENE THA' FIRST NATION		
	- BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS		
	- DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION		
	- HORSE LAKE FIRST NATION		
	- WEST MOBERLY FIRST NATIONS		
	THE FOLLOWING FIRST NATION(S) HAS/HAVE ADVISED THAT THE AREA IS USED FOR PRACTISING THEIR TREATY RIGHTS:		
	- DENE THA' FIRST NATION		
	- BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS		
	- DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION		
	THE FOLLOWING FIRST NATION(S) HAS/HAVE REQUESTED EARLY ENGAGEMENT, PRIOR TO SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION TO THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION, TO PROVIDE THE PROPONENT WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS FIRST NATION(S) INTERESTS (ASSESSMENTS; MONITORING STUDIES; AND MITIGATION, MANAGEMENT AND/OR RECLAMATION PLANS MAY BE REQUESTED):		
	- DENE THA' FIRST NATION		
	- BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS		
	- DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION		
	ACCESS, EXPLORATION AND CONSTRUCTION RESTRICTIONS MAY APPLY TO PROTECT ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS IDENTIFIED IN THE AREA BY ONE OR MORE FIRST NATIONS. THESE INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:		
	- HUNTING		
	- HISTORIC AND CURRENT TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS (LAND AND WATER)		
	CONCERNS AND ISSUES IN THE AREA IDENTIFIED BY ONE OR MORE FIRST NATIONS INCLUDE:		

- CUMULATIVE EFFECTS	
- UNCONVENTIONAL OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT	
- WILDLIFE AND WILDLIFE HABITAT INCLUDING CONNECTIVITY	
- WATER QUALITY AND WATERSHED VALUES	
THE BC OIL AND GAS COMMISSION USES AREA BASED ANALYSIS (ABA) AS A TOOL IN THE APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS; THIS PARCEL OVERLAPS ABA "ENHANCED MANAGEMENT" STATUS WITHIN RIPARIAN RESERVE ZONES (FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE COMMISSION).	
ACCESS AND CONSTRUCTION RESTRICTIONS MAY APPLY. PRIOR TO ON-THE-GROUND ACTIVITY, CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE PROVINCIAL MINISTRY FOR APPLICABLE MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION MEASURES TO MINIMIZE DISTURBANCE AND ADDRESS THE FOLLOWING (NOT LIMITED TO):	
- PRIVATE LAND	
PARCEL WITHIN OR PARTIALLY WITHIN THE AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVE; RESTORATION OF SURFACE SOIL ON DISTURBED AREAS REQUIRED. PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED TO PREVENT THE INTRODUCTION OR SPREAD OF INVASIVE PLANTS AND PLANT DISEASES.	
POTENTIAL FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES EXISTS; ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT MAY BE REQUIRED.	
TERM: 3 YEARS	
FEES: \$ 500.00	
RENT PER HA: \$ 3.50	
NO FURTHER TRACTS	
REFERENCE NUMBER: 2002004	

	LEASES	
PARCEL	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	НА
67109	TRACT 1	259
	TWP 084 RGE 20 W6M SEC 31	
	INCLUDING PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS DOWN TO BASE OF 38008 BALDONNEL	
	38008 BALDONNEL ZONE DEFINED IN THE INTERVAL 4026'-4140' ON THE BHCS-GR LOG OF THE WELL W.A. 4159 7-34-85-17 W6M	
CAVEATS	THE GRANT OF TENURE DOES NOT GUARANTEE THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT TO CONDUCT OIL AND GAS ACTIVITY. SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MUST APPLY FOR ACTIVITY PERMITS FROM THE BC OIL AND GAS COMMISSION (COMMISSION) UNDER THE OIL AND GAS ACTIVITIES ACT AND/OR FROM OTHER AGENCIES WHERE APPLICABLE. THE COMMISSION MAY DENY PERMIT APPLICATIONS OR MAY IMPOSE CONDITIONS ON ACTIVITY PERMITS.	
	PARCEL LOCATED WITHIN TREATY 8 AREA AND WAS REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING FIRST NATION(S) FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT (NOTE THAT SUBSEQUENT CONSULTATION WITH FIRST NATIONS, NOT NECESSARILY LIMITED TO THOSE LISTED BELOW, MAY BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO ACTIVITIES BEING AUTHORIZED):	
	- DENE THA' FIRST NATION	
	- BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS	
	- DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION	
	- HALFWAY RIVER FIRST NATION	
	- HORSE LAKE FIRST NATION	
	- WEST MOBERLY FIRST NATIONS	
	THE FOLLOWING FIRST NATION(S) HAS/HAVE ADVISED THAT THE AREA IS USED FOR PRACTISING THEIR TREATY RIGHTS:	
	- DENE THA' FIRST NATION	
	- BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS	
	- DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION	
	- HALFWAY RIVER FIRST NATION	
	THE FOLLOWING FIRST NATION(S) HAS/HAVE REQUESTED EARLY ENGAGEMENT, PRIOR TO SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION TO THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION, TO PROVIDE THE PROPONENT WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS FIRST NATION(S) INTERESTS (ASSESSMENTS; MONITORING STUDIES; AND MITIGATION, MANAGEMENT AND/OR RECLAMATION PLANS MAY BE REQUESTED):	
	- DENE THA' FIRST NATION	
	- BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS	
	- DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION	
	- HALFWAY RIVER FIRST NATION	
	ACCESS, EXPLORATION AND CONSTRUCTION RESTRICTIONS MAY APPLY TO PROTECT ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS IDENTIFIED IN THE AREA BY ONE OR MORE FIRST NATIONS. THESE INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:	
	- WILDLIFE VALUES	
	- CULTURALLY SIGNIFICANT SITE(S) AND CULTURAL HERITAGE RESOURCES.	
	- STREAMS, WETLANDS, LAKES	

- BURIAL SITES
- HISTORIC AND CURRENT TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS (LAND AND WATER)
- HARVESTING
- HUNTING
CONCERNS AND ISSUES IN THE AREA IDENTIFIED BY ONE OR MORE FIRST NATIONS INCLUDE:
- CUMULATIVE EFFECTS
- UNCONVENTIONAL OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT
- WILDLIFE AND WILDLIFE HABITAT INCLUDING CONNECTIVITY
- WATER QUALITY AND WATERSHED VALUES
PARCEL IS LOCATED WITHIN HORN RIVER, MONTNEY OR CORDOVA EMBAYMENT BOUNDARIES IN WHICH SHALE GAS RECOVERY AND TECHNOLOGY IS ANTICIPATED; PARTICIPATION IN A WATER OR ACCESS PLANNING PROCESS WITH OTHER TENURE HOLDERS MAY BE REQUIRED TO COORDINATE ACTIVITIES, EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT.
ACCESS AND CONSTRUCTION RESTRICTIONS MAY APPLY. PRIOR TO ON-THE-GROUND ACTIVITY, CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE PROVINCIAL MINISTRY FOR APPLICABLE MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION MEASURES TO MINIMIZE DISTURBANCE AND ADDRESS THE FOLLOWING (NOT LIMITED TO):
- CRITICAL WILDLIFE/FISHERIES VALUES; HABITAT IMPACT ASSESSMENT MAY BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO ACCESS OR DEVELOPMENT
- PRIVATE LAND
 PARCEL WITHIN OR PARTIALLY WITHIN THE AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVE; RESTORATION OF SURFACE SOIL ON DISTURBED AREAS REQUIRED. PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED TO PREVENT THE INTRODUCTION OR SPREAD OF INVASIVE PLANTS AND PLANT DISEASES.
POTENTIAL FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES EXISTS; ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT MAY BE REQUIRED.
TERM: 5 YEARS
FEES: \$ 500.00
RENT PER HA: \$ 7.50
NO FURTHER TRACTS
 REFERENCE NUMBER: 2002001

Parcels Offered and Hectares Summary

	No. Offered	Hectares
Permits	0	0
Drilling Licences	1	1057
Leases	1	259
Grand Total	2	1316

NEXT DISPOSITION DATE: March 18, 2020