

INFORMATION LETTER

OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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SUBJECT: Pause to Petroleum and Natural Gas (PNG) Pre-tenure Engagement and Disposition

The Ministry appreciates that many First Nations, local governments, stakeholders and clients have closed offices or reduced operations in consideration of provincial orders relating to COVID-19 social distancing and self isolation.

To allow all of us to focus on health and wellness during this time, the Ministry has paused all ongoing referral processes and engagement relating to PNG tenure disposition.

As a result, the Ministry will not be accepting posting requests and will not dispose of new PNG tenure effective immediately. The Ministry will re-assess the situation periodically and provide updates going forward.

We wish all the best to you, your families, colleagues and communities.

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