TITLES DIVISION

RE: RESPONSE TO THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINES SEPTEMBER 10, 2002
CALL FOR PROPOSALS TO DEVELOP MARGINALY ECONOMIC OIL AND GAS
RESOURCES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

The Ministry of Energy and Mines has entered into a five year agreement with Encana Oil
and Gas Co Ltd. and Burlington Resources Canada Ltd. to provide an opportunity for the
companies to evaluate 91,389 hectares of deep shale gas rights in the Maxhamish Lake
region of northeast BC.

The agreement covers rights in the Lower Banff - Exshaw - Upper Kotcho formation,
which the companies surrendered from a number of existing contiguous drilling licences,
in order to obtain a longer time-frame to evaluate the shale formation. The agreement
requires the companies to carry out specified exploration work to earn petroleum and
natural gas leases. The agreement is recorded in the Petroleum Titles System registry as
agreement #54393.

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