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NOISE CONTROL DIRECTIVE

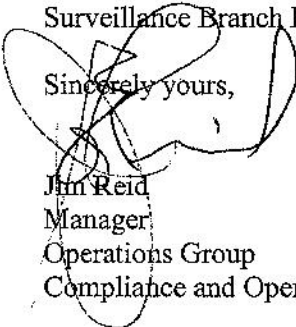
Dear Ms. Ernst:

It is clear that over the past several months you have undertaken an intensive letter writing campaign as a means to pressure the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB) to rule that EnCana has not met the regulatory requirements for noise control in the Rosebud region. As you know, compliance with the EUB *Noise Control Directive (Directive)* can only be determined using the results of a "representative" comprehensive noise survey. Consequently, even though two previous surveys conducted by a reputable acoustical engineering firm were technically defensible and did demonstrate that EnCana was compliant, the EUB agreed to not accept those results for your residence to demonstrate the fairness of the EUB regulatory process. In fact, the EUB offered to conduct a separate noise survey at your residence, at the time of your choosing, placing the microphone where you want, and without the knowledge of EnCana to determine compliance at your residence.

Rather than accept this offer, you have chosen to perpetuate accusations that the EUB has not been responsive to your concerns. In fact, the EUB has tried to be very accommodating to you and even provided you with a copy of the current draft of the *Directive* so that you may provide comments for the multi-stakeholder review committee to consider. I believe that you know quite well that as a draft, the *Directive* is still subject to change. Rather than raise any concerns about the draft *Directive* with our staff as requested, you chose to circulate widely through the internet untruths that the EUB has unilaterally made significant changes to the *Directive* that would result in higher noise levels for rural residents. Your statement about the EUB raising the acceptable noise levels for winter operations is not true. In fact, this option has been in the *Directive* since 1988. While I again may find this approach disappointing, it is your right to free speech.

What I cannot and will not accept is your threat, veiled as something someone said to you, as a means to incite people to resort to the "Wiebo Way". Criminal threats will not be tolerated, and we are deciding on how best to work with the office of the Attorney General of Alberta and the RCMP to register our concern and to ensure the protection of the public including our staff. Until the safety and security issues have been satisfactorily addressed and resolved, I have instructed my staff to avoid any further contact with you. The EUB Field Surveillance Branch have been made aware of this situation as well.

Sincerely yours,



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