

**File No. 1988**  
**Board Order No. 1988-1**

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**July 16, 2018**

**SURFACE RIGHTS BOARD**

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
ACT, R.S.B.C., C. 361 AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF  
THE SOUTH EAST  $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 21 TOWNSHIP 83 RANGE 18 WEST OF THE  
6<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT  
(The "Lands")

BETWEEN:

Andre Raymond Barrette and  
Lorie Ann Marie Barrette

(APPLICANTS)

AND:

Ranch Energy Corporation

(RESPONDENT)

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**BOARD ORDER**

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This is an application brought under sections 164 and 176 of the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act*.

The Applicants, Andre Raymond Barrette and Lorie Ann Marie Barrette, are the owners of the Lands described as: THE SOUTH EAST ¼ OF SECTION 21 TOWNSHIP 83 RANGE 18 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT. The Respondent, Ranch Energy Corporation, is the operator of a well located on the Lands. The Respondent's right of entry to the Lands for the purpose of operating the well is pursuant to a surface lease entered May 1, 1956 between Joseph Robert Barrette and May Emma Barrette, succeeded in interest by the Applicants, and Petro Canada Oil and Gas, succeeded in interest by Predator Oil BC Ltd. and then by Ranch Energy Corporation (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments \$4,070.00 to Andre Raymond Barrette and Lorie Ann Marie Barrette. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by May 1, 2018.

The Board finds that Ranch Energy Corporation has failed to pay rent owing under a surface lease. Pursuant to section 176 of the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act*, the Board determines that Ranch Energy Corporation owes Andre Raymond Barrette and Lorie Ann Marie Barrette \$4,070.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from May 1, 2018. The Applicants are entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Andre Raymond Barrette and Lorie Ann Marie Barrette the sum of \$4,070.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from May 1, 2018.

DATED: July 16, 2018

FOR THE BOARD



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Cheryl Vickers, Chair