File No. 2015 Board Order No. 2015-1

October 4, 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

## SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP 88 RANGE 19 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT, EXCEPT THE WEST 25 METRES (The "Lands")

BETWEEN:

Gary Robert Loewen, Wanda Gay Loewen and Shawn Robert Loewen

(APPLICANTS)

AND:

Ranch Energy Corporation

(RESPONDENT)

**BOARD ORDER** 

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

The Applicants, Gary Robert Loewen, Wanda Gay Loewen and Shawn Robert Loewen, are the owners of the Lands described as: SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP 88 RANGE 19 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT, EXCEPT THE WEST 25 METRES. 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 dated September 17, 1998 (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$5,100.00 to Gary Robert Loewen, Wanda Gay Loewen and Shawn Robert Loewen. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by September 17, 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 Gary Robert Loewen, Wanda Gay Loewen and Shawn Robert Loewen \$5,100.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from September 17, 2018. The Applicants are entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Gary Robert Loewen, Wanda Gay Loewen and Shawn Robert Loewen the sum of \$5,100.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from September 17, 2018.

DATED: October 4, 2018

FOR THE BOARD

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Cheryl Vickers, Chair