

File No. 2028
Board Order No. 2028-1

November 23, 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 NORTH WEST $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 33 TOWNSHIP 87 RANGE 17 WEST OF THE
6TH MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT
(The "Lands")

BETWEEN:

Erik Kldholm Pedersen

(APPLICANT)

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 Applicant, Erik Kidholm Pedersen, is the owner of the Lands described as: THE NORTH WEST ¼ OF SECTION 33 TOWNSHIP 87 RANGE 17 WEST OF THE 6TH 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 dated October 30, 2002 (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$5,000.00 to Erik Kidholm Pedersen. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by October 30, 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 Erik Kidholm Pedersen \$5,000.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from October 30, 2018. The Applicant is entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Erik Kidholm Pedersen the sum of \$5,000.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from October 30, 2018.

DATED: November 23, 2018

FOR THE BOARD



Cheryl Vickers, Chair