

**File No. 2058**  
**Board Order No. 2058-1**

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**March 5, 2019**

**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 EAST  $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP 87 RANGE 18 WEST OF THE  
6<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT  
(The "Lands")

BETWEEN:

Elysha Peterson

(APPLICANT)

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 Applicant, Elysha Peterson, is the owner of the Lands described as: THE NORTH EAST ¼ OF SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP 87 RANGE 18 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT. The Respondent, Ranch Energy Corporation, is the operator of a well site and access road on the Lands. The Respondent's right of entry to the Lands for the purpose of operating the well and access road is pursuant to a surface lease dated December 13, 1988 (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$6,500.00 to Elysha Peterson. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by December 13, 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 Elysha Peterson \$6,500.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from December 13, 2018. The Applicant is entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Elysha Peterson the sum of \$6,500.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from December 13, 2018.

DATED: March 5, 2019

FOR THE BOARD



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Cheryl Vickers, Chair