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Resources Division
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Attention: Mr. Ken Schulhaus
Section Leader, In Situ Oil Sands Resource Applications

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Attention: Mr. Kem Singh
Approvals Manager

Attention: Mr. Mike Boyd
Regional Environmental Manager

Dear Sirs:

Re: Application for Approval of the Long Lake South Project

Nexen Inc. and OPTI Canada Inc. hereby apply to:

1. The Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB) for:

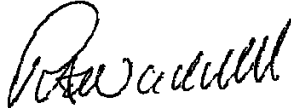
Scheme approval to construct and operate a 22,260 m³/d (140,000 bpd) bitumen recovery scheme, developed in two phases, under Section 10 of the Oil Sands Conservation Act, from the Athabasca Oil Sands Deposit in the McMurray Formation, at oil sands leases located in Townships 84 and 85, Ranges 6 and 7; W4M owned 50% by Nexen Inc. and 50% by OPTI Canada Inc.

2. Alberta Environment (AENV) for:

- a. Approval to construct and operate the LLS Project, including facilities to recover and treat 22,260 m³/d (140,000 bpd) of bitumen, developed in two phases, under Division 2 of Part 2 and Section 63 of the *Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act*, and
- b. A Conservation and Reclamation Approval, under Division 2 of Part 2 and Part 5 of the *Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* to develop, operate and reclaim components of the LLS Project.

In support of these approval requests, Nexen Inc. and OPTI Canada Inc. submit the attached document titled Application for Approval of the Long Lake South Project.

Yours truly,



Russ Waddell
Director, Community Consultation & Regulatory Affairs
Attachment: Application for Approval of the Long Lake South Project

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