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OIL SANDS INFORMATION BULLETIN 2023-03

Subject: Submission of the 2023 Operator’s Forecast Report

Section 37 of the *Oil Sands Royalty Regulation, 2009* (AR 223/2008) requires the operator of an oil sands Project to file with the Department of Energy (the “Department”) an Operator’s Forecast report relating to the current calendar year and subsequent 14 calendar years. The submission deadline for this report is November 30, 2023.

Tips Regarding the Submission of the Operator’s Forecast Report

As per Information Bulletin 2016-01, all Operator’s Forecast reports submitted with validation *errors* will result in a *failed submission* and the report must be resubmitted within the filing deadline of the report. If the submission cannot be successfully processed by the filing deadline, late filing penalties may apply. Operators should submit as early as possible to ensure enough time to receive the turnaround report, correct errors, and resubmit the report to avoid ensuing penalties. Resubmission of the report is not required for validation *warnings*.

Please note the Department will be looking at the received Operator Forecast data in detail. If deficiencies are found, or if the Department has questions, operators will be contacted. Failure to provide compliant reporting may result in penalties being applied.

Location of the Operator’s Forecast Report

The 2023 Operator’s Forecast Report template is available for download on the Department’s website at: <https://www.alberta.ca/oil-sands-forms.aspx>, in the section titled “Operator’s Forecast Report”.

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