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## **MINERAL RIGHTS INFORMATION BULLETIN 2013-02**

### **SUBJECT: BUSINESS PROCESS REVIEW - SUMMARY OF CHANGES PENDING CABINET APPROVAL**

The Tenure Branch of Alberta Energy is committed to meeting the evolving business needs of its clients. As a result of this commitment, we initiated a Business Process Review (BPR) of Continuations business processes in 2009. The BPR's objectives were to develop efficiencies in petroleum and natural gas continuations processes, decrease administrative complexity for industry and Alberta Energy and increase continuations automation. We struck a BPR committee in 2010 to conduct the review, with representatives from industry associations, the Alberta Energy Regulator and Alberta Energy. This committee provided a number of proposed changes that met the BPR objectives.

In February 2012 we asked industry to provide feedback on the proposed changes, in an on-line survey. We received a positive response from industry and feedback indicated overall good support of the proposed changes. As work continued to prepare for implementation of the changes, Alberta Energy provided updates at the 2012 and 2013 Tenure Information Exchanges. We thank those individuals and companies who took the time to contact us with comments on the proposed changes after the exchanges.

- The main areas for changes relate to licence validation and groupings, horizontal and multi-legged wells, short term continuations and early responses to offers.

Details of the changes can be found on our website at:

<http://www.energy.alberta.ca/Tenure/3506.asp>. Updates to this webpage will be made as more information becomes available.

Information sessions for the changes are being planned for the fall of 2013 and we will issue a further Information Bulletin in the near future with details of dates, venue and registration.

Implementation of these changes is tentatively set for March 2014. NOTE: These changes are not effective until Regulations are approved by Cabinet.

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