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COAL AND MINERAL DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION BULLETIN 2020-03

Subject: Resumption of new leasing for Crown coal rights.

This information bulletin lifts the 120-day moratorium on new coal lease applications that was placed by Coal Information Bulletin 2020-02. The moratorium was put in place for two purposes:

1. To allow Alberta Energy time to work through the outstanding coal lease applications as a result of rescinding A Coal Development Policy for Alberta by Alberta Energy Information Letter 2020-23.

2. To allow Alberta Environment and Parks to put a protective notation (PNT) in place over the former coal category 1 areas.

All coal lease applications that will not be moved to lease have been cancelled. All coal rights that were formerly within coal category 1 will remain reserved from disposition and unavailable for lease.

New coal lease applications

All new requests for coal rights will be reviewed and issued through a public sale process described in Information Letter 2020-43.

Coal category 1

A protective notation has been applied to all land formerly classified as coal category 1. This area will remain unavailable for coal leasing.

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