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

EAST ½ OF SECTION 3 TOWNSHIP 110 PEACE RIVER DISTRICT EXCEPT PLAN 17351 (The "Lands")

	BOARD ORDER	
	rtanon Energy Corporation	(RESPONDENT)
AND:	Ranch Energy Corporation	
BETWEEN:	Margrit Weitzel	(APPLICANT)

This is an application brought under sections 164 and 176 of the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act*.

The Applicant, Margrit Weitzel, is the owner of the Lands described as: EAST ½ OF SECTION 3 TOWNSHIP 110 PEACE RIVER DISTRICT EXCEPT PLAN 17351. 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 is pursuant to a surface lease dated May 17, 1999 (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$3,350.00 to Margrit Weitzel. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by May 17, 2019.

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 Margrit Weitzel \$3,350.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from May 17, 2019. The Applicant is entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Margrit Weitzel the sum of \$3,350.00.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from May 17, 2019.

DATED: June 14, 2019

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FOR THE BOARD

Cheryl Vickers, Chair