

File No. 2115
Board Order No. 2115-1

October 9, 2019

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
THE SOUTH ½ OF SECTION 5 TOWNSHIP 87 RANGE 18 WEST OF THE 6TH
MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT
(The "Lands")

BETWEEN:

Jewel Maebelle Bacon

(APPLICANT)

AND:

Ranch Energy Corporation

(RESPONDENT)

BOARD ORDER

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

The Applicant, Jewel Maebelle Bacon, is the owner of the Lands described as: THE SOUTH ½ OF SECTION 5 TOWNSHIP 87 RANGE 18 WEST OF THE 6TH MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT. The Respondent, Ranch Energy Corporation, is the operator of a well located 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 September 10, 2003 (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$4,200.00 to Jewel Maebelle Bacon. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by September 10, 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 Jewel Maebelle Bacon \$4,200.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from September 10, 2019. The Applicant is entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Jewel Maebelle Bacon the sum of \$4,200.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from September 10, 2019.

DATED: October 9, 2019

FOR THE BOARD



Cheryl Vickers, Chair