File No. 2117
Board Order No. 2117-1
October 29, 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 NORTH WEST 1 4 OF SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP 86 RANGE 19 WEST OF THE 6 HERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT (The "Lands")

	BOARD ORDER	
		(RESPONDENT)
AND:	Ranch Energy Corporation	
	Jesse Mark Braun and Randa Leann Braun	(APPLICANTS)
BETWEEN:		

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

The Applicants, Jesse Mark Braun and Randa Leann Braun , are the owners of the Lands described as: THE NORTH WEST ¼ OF SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP 86 RANGE 19 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 June 28, 2005 (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$5,560.00 to Jesse Mark Braun and Randa Leann Braun. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payments required by June 28, 2018 and June 28, 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 Jesse Mark Braun and Randa Leann Braun \$5,560.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from June 28, 2018 and from June 28, 2019. The Applicants are entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

- 1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Jesse Mark Braun and Randa Leann Braun the sum of \$5,650.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from June 28, 2018;
- 2. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Jesse Mark Braun and Randa Leann Braun the sum of \$5,650.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from June 28, 2019.

DATED: October 29, 2019

FOR THE BOARD

Cheryl Vickers, Chair