

**File No. 2130**  
**Board Order No. 2130-1**

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**January 21, 2020**

**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

LOT A SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP 84 RANGE 19 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN  
PEACE RIVER DISTRICT PLAN PGP39193 EXCEPT PLAN EPP5968  
(The "Lands")

BETWEEN:

Harry Christian Wuthrich and Timothy Karl Wuthrich  
Executors of the Will of Magdalena Wuthrich

(APPLICANTS)

AND:

Ranch Energy Corporation

(RESPONDENT)

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**BOARD ORDER**

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

The Applicants, Harry Christian Wuthrich and Timothy Karl Wuthrich Executors of the Will of Magdalena Wuthrich, are the owners of the Lands described as: LOT A SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP 84 RANGE 19 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT PLAN PGP39193 EXCEPT PLAN EPP5968. The Respondent, Ranch Energy Corporation, is the operator of a well and access road located on the Lands. The Respondent's right of entry to the Lands for the purpose of operating the well and access road is pursuant to a surface lease dated November 14, 1995 (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$4,000.00. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by November 14, 2018 and November 14, 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 Harry Christian Wuthrich and Timothy Karl Wuthrich Executors of the Will of Magdalena Wuthrich \$4,000.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from November 14, 2018 and from November 14, 2019. The Applicants are entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Harry Christian Wuthrich and Timothy Karl Wuthrich Executors of the Will of Magdalena Wuthrich the sum of \$4,000.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from November 14, 2018.
2. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Harry Christian Wuthrich and Timothy Karl Wuthrich Executors of the Will of Magdalena Wuthrich the sum of \$4,000.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from November 14, 2019.

DATED: January 21, 2020

FOR THE BOARD



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Cheryl Vickers, Chair