

File No. 2149
Board Order No. 2149-1

March 16, 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
THE NORTH WEST $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP 83 RANGE 17 WEST OF THE
6TH MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT
(The "Lands")

BETWEEN:

Troyer Farms Inc.

(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, Troyer Farms Inc., is the owner of the Lands described as THE NORTH WEST ¼ OF SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP 83 RANGE 17 WEST OF THE 6TH MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT. The Respondent, Ranch Energy Corporation, is the operator of an oil and gas installation on the Lands. The Respondent's right of entry to the Lands for the purpose of conducting an oil and gas activity is pursuant to a surface lease (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$6,250.00 to Troyer Farms Inc. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by October 20, 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 Troyer Farms Inc. \$6,250.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from October 20, 2019. The Applicant is entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Troyer Farms Inc. the sum of \$6,250.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from October 20, 2019.

DATED: March 16, 2020

FOR THE BOARD



Cheryl Vickers, Chair