File No. 2150 Board Order No. 2150-
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 1 TOWNSHIP 83 RANGE 17 WEST OF THE 6 HERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT (The "Lands")

	BOARD ORDER	
		(RESPONDENT)
AND:	Ranch Energy Corporation	
AND:		(APPLICANT)
	Wiebe Enterprises Ltd	
BETWEEN:		

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

The Applicant, Wiebe Enterprises Ltd., is the owner of the Lands described as THE NORTH WEST ¼ OF SECTION 1 TOWNSHIP 83 RANGE 17 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> 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 \$5,200.00 to Wiebe Enterprises Ltd.. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by January 20, 2019 and January 20, 2020.

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 Wiebe Enterprises Ltd. \$5,200.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from January 20, 2019 and from January 20, 2020. The Applicant is entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

- 1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Wiebe Enterprises Ltd. the sum of \$5,200.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from January 20, 2019; and
- 2. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Wiebe Enterprises Ltd. the sum of \$5,200.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from January 20, 2020.

DATED: March 16, 2020

FOR THE BOARD

Cheryl Vickers, Chair