

File No. 2153
Board Order No. 2153-1

April 6, 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 SOUTH EAST $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 83 RANGE 18 WEST OF THE
6TH MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT, EXCEPT PLANS A946, A1633, 9159
AND 12456
(The "Lands")

BETWEEN:

Phyllis Ruth Large

(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, Phyllis Ruth Large, is the owner of the Lands described as: THE SOUTH EAST $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 83 RANGE 18 WEST OF THE 6TH MERIDIAN PEACE RIVER DISTRICT, EXCEPT PLANS A946, A1633, 9159 AND 12456. The Respondent, Ranch Energy Corporation, is the operator of a well site 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 February 26, 1986 (the Surface Lease).

Pursuant to the Surface Lease, Ranch Energy Corporation, is required to make annual payments of \$3,000.00 to Phyllis Ruth Large. Ranch Energy Corporation failed to make the annual payment required by February 26, 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 Phyllis Ruth Large \$3,000.00 in unpaid rent plus interest from February 26, 2020. The Applicant is entitled to costs of this application.

The Board orders as follows:

1. Ranch Energy Corporation shall forthwith pay to Phyllis Ruth Large the sum of \$3,000.00.00 plus interest calculated in accordance with the *Court Order Interest Act* from February 26, 2020.

DATED: April 6, 2020

FOR THE BOARD



Cheryl Vickers, Chair