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To: All Companies Regulated under the *Canadian Energy Regulator Act*

### **Public Disclosure of Contaminated Sites Information**

The Canada Energy Regulator (CER) is committed to environmental protection and meaningful engagement with Indigenous peoples, landowners and all other persons who are potentially affected by contamination related to infrastructure owned by CER-regulated companies.

As indicated in the 2020 version of the CER Remediation Process Guide, the CER also supports the Government of Canada's guiding principles of openness, transparency and accountability. Meaningful engagement with Canadians requires relevant information be routinely available and easily accessible to the public. In accordance with the goal of increased transparency, the CER is making information that is submitted by CER-regulated companies on contamination and remedial activities publicly available.

The CER plans to publicly release information in a phased approach. The first phase involves publishing:

- 1) The Notice of Contamination (NOC):
  - NOCs submitted to the CER between the dates of 15 August 2018 and 30 April 2021 will be published in May 2021. All NOCs submitted as of 1 May 2021 will be published upon submission to the CER.
- 2) Annual updates:
  - The annual updates that are submitted on or after 1 April 2021, for remediation events that had NOCs submitted on or after 15 August 2018 will be published in May 2021 and upon submission to the CER going forward.

The information within the NOCs and annual updates that will be published is listed in Appendix A. A disclosure statement has been added in the CER Online Event Reporting System reminding companies that information will be made public.

When submitting information to the CER, companies must comply with all applicable privacy legislation. **Do not disclose personal information of third parties without their consent.** Please read our [Terms and Conditions](#) for more information about privacy.

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The information in the NOC and annual updates may be published in the CER Regulatory Database Index (REGDOCS) and as a dataset on the Government of Canada's Open Government website.

For any inquiries related to this letter please contact the CER at [remediation@cer-rec.gc.ca](mailto:remediation@cer-rec.gc.ca).

Best regards,

*Signed by*

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Enclosure

Appendix A

Information entered in the following fields in the Notification of Contamination and Annual Updates forms in the Online Event Reporting System (OERS) will be automatically published on the CER website. Additional information may be published at a later date.

OERS Webpage	Field
Event Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the event types that you are reporting?</li> </ul>
Company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name of the company that owns the facility or operates the pipeline where the event occurred.</li> </ul>
Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pipeline Name</li> <li>• Facility Name</li> <li>• Facility Type</li> <li>• Province or Territory</li> <li>• What is the populated centre nearest to the contaminated site?</li> <li>• Applicable Land Use</li> <li>• Detailed Location<sup>1</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Latitude and Longitude</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Initial Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a one-sentence description of the contaminated site. If the site is at a facility, include the equipment or building closest to the contaminated site in the description.</li> <li>• Has the contamination been reported to another regulator (other than the CER)?</li> <li>• What activity was being performed at the time of the event?</li> <li>• Final submission happened on (Date reported).</li> </ul>
Scenario	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please identify all contaminants confirmed to be present at the contaminated site.</li> <li>• Provide an initial estimate of volume of contaminated soil (m<sup>3</sup>).</li> <li>• Is this contaminated site within 30 m of a wetland or waterbody?</li> </ul>
Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a summary description of the actions taken to date to mitigate the impacts of contamination.</li> <li>• Provide a summary description of the actions that are planned to mitigate the impacts of contamination.</li> </ul>
Annual Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date submitted</li> <li>• Site status<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Past activities</li> <li>• Planned activities</li> </ul>

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<sup>1</sup>The latitude and longitude will be published to 2 decimal degrees.

<sup>2</sup> The status 'Site Assessment' or 'Facility Monitoring' will be displayed until the first annual update is submitted, at which time the appropriate site status must be selected.