



Regulatory Agenda

The period covered in this Regulatory Agenda is the month of October 2005

Energy Market Assessment

On 31 October 2005, the Board issued an Energy Market Assessment entitled *Short-term Canadian Natural Gas Deliverability 2005-2007*. The report provides an outlook of natural gas deliverability

from the Western Canada Sedimentary Basin and east coast offshore through to the end of 2007. The report is available on the Board's Web site at www.neb-one.gc.ca.

Public Hearing Applications

Hearing in Progress

1. *Westcoast Energy Inc. (WEI) - Transportation Service Enhancements - RHW-1-2005 (File 4200-W005-18)*

The Board is holding a written public hearing on an application by WEI for approval of certain Firm Transportation Service enhancements in Zone 3 (Mainline north) and Zone 4 (Mainline south). WEI stated in its application that in the past few years increasing amounts of firm service have not been re-contracted in Zones 3 and 4. WEI believes that the implementation of certain enhancements to the firm services offered in Zones 3 and 4 will increase the value of firm service to both existing and potential shippers and encourage higher levels of firm contracting.

Hearings Scheduled

1. *Chevron Canada Limited (Chevron Canada) and Chevron Standard Limited, Neste Canada Inc. and Chevron Canada Limited (Chevron/Neste) - Priority Destination - MH-2-2005 (Files 4755-T099-3 and 4755-T099-4)*

The Board will hold a public hearing commencing on 5 December 2005 in Calgary on two applications for orders designating Chevron Canada's refinery at Burnaby, British Columbia to be a priority destination for the unapportioned delivery of crude oil and isooctane on Terasen Pipelines (Trans Mountain) Inc.'s pipeline system. The first application is for delivery of crude oil by Chevron Canada, and the second application is for delivery of isooctane by Chevron/Neste.

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Preface

The purpose of this agenda is to provide information on the Board's activities. Except where otherwise noted, jurisdiction over the items listed in the agenda is exercised pursuant to the *National Energy Board Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. N-7, as amended.

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Chevron Canada is requesting a priority designation for the unapportioned delivery from Edmonton to Burnaby of up to 5 500 cubic metres per day of crude oil during periods when nominations would otherwise be apportioned. Chevron/Neste are requesting priority designation of unapportioned delivery from Edmonton to Burnaby of up to 2 400 cubic metres per day of isoctane during periods when nominations would otherwise be apportioned.

The Board held a public hearing on 14 September 2005 in Calgary on a Notice of Motion dated 31 August 2005 from Tesoro Canada Supply & Distribution Ltd. Tesoro was seeking a number of forms of relief, including an order directing the Applicants to respond to a number of Tesoro's information requests, a revision of the procedural schedule to allow for the provision and consideration of the responses to the information requests and a stay in the proceedings until the motion is disposed of. On 5 October 2005, the Board issued its decision on the Notice of Motion.

2. *Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Limited (Imperial), Mackenzie Valley Aboriginal Pipeline Limited Partnership, ConocoPhillips (North) Limited, Shell Canada Limited and ExxonMobil Canada Properties - Mackenzie Gas Project (Files 3200-J205-1, 2520-C-19-4, 2620-C-19-7, 2620-C-12-7 and 2620-C-20-7)*

The Board will hold a Pre-hearing Planning Conference in the Northwest Territories during the weeks of 5 and 12 December 2005. The purpose of the Conference will be to:

- provide information on the NEB's role throughout the lifecycle of a pipeline and on the NEB hearing process for the MGP project; and
- hear parties' views on shaping certain parts of the NEB hearing process to meet the needs of the participants.

Persons can participate in the Conference by sending in written comments, speaking with NEB staff or attending one of the following four sessions: Inuvik (5 December), Yellowknife (7 December), Fort Good Hope (12 December), and Fort Simpson (13 December).

On 24 November 2004, the Board scheduled for public hearing five applications from Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Limited and other applicants for the Mackenzie Gas Project in Northern Canada. The proponents of the Mackenzie Gas Project are

Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Limited, Mackenzie Valley Aboriginal Pipeline Limited Partnership, Imperial Oil Resources Limited, ConocoPhillips Canada (North) Limited, ExxonMobil Canada Properties and Shell Canada Limited.

On 15 September 2005, the Proponents of the Mackenzie Valley Project informed the NEB and the Joint Review Panel (JRP) for the Mackenzie Gas Project that "while progress has been made, certain key areas remain unresolved. Benefits and access agreements have not been concluded and the fiscal framework for the project has not been agreed to with governments. The proponents believe that additional time is warranted to determine if these outstanding matters can be resolved. In view of this, the project proponents will advise the NEB and the JRP in November 2005 of our willingness to proceed with a public hearing."

The Mackenzie Gas Project includes a pipeline to transport natural gas to northern Alberta, a pipeline to transport natural gas liquids to Norman Wells, N.W.T., three onshore natural gas fields, a gathering system to transport production from the three fields, and a processing facility in the Inuvik, N.W.T. area where natural gas liquids would be separated from the natural gas for shipping. Other related facilities include compressor stations and a heater station.

Proposed Application

1. *Terasen Pipelines (Trans Mountain) Inc. (Terasen) - TMX Anchor Loop (File 3200-T099-1)*

On 27 September 2005, Terasen filed a revised project description of a proposal to loop a portion of its existing Trans Mountain oil pipeline system. This project, referred to as the TMX Anchor Loop, involves the construction of 158 kilometres of pipeline between a location west of Hinton, Alberta to a location near Jackman Hill, British Columbia. The proposed TMX Anchor Loop would also include the installation of new pump stations at Wolf, Alberta and Chappel, British Columbia.

Pending regulatory approvals, construction of the TMX Anchor Loop is scheduled to begin in mid-2007, with completion of construction in the third quarter of 2008. Terasen expects to submit regulatory applications at the end of 2005.

Non-Public Hearing Applications

Electricity Matters

Matters Completed

1. *Draft Electricity Filing Manual (File 2200-A000-7)*

On 20 October 2005, the Board issued for public comment a draft of its *Electricity Filing Manual* which outlines the information applicants need to provide to the Board when filing an electricity facility application for an international power line. The manual is a tool to assist applicants who file an election to have federal laws apply. It has been developed in an effort to increase efficiency and will complement the Board's mandate to promote goal-oriented regulation.

2. *ENMAX Energy Marketing Inc. (ENMAX) - Electricity Export (File 6200-E139-2)*

On 7 October 2005, the Board approved an application dated 15 June 2005 from ENMAX for permits to export up to 400 megawatts and up to 3 504 gigawatt hours of firm power and energy, respectively, and up to 8 760 gigawatt hours per year of interruptible energy per year for a period of 10 years.

3. *Manitoba Hydro - Electricity Export (File 6200-M020-17)*

On 27 October 2005, the Board approved an application dated 7 April 2005 from Manitoba Hydro for permits to export up to 3 250 megawatts of firm and/or interruptible power and up to 25 434 gigawatt hours of firm and/or interruptible energy per year ending 31 October 2010.

Matter under Consideration

4. *SILVERHILL LTD. (SILVERHILL) – Electricity Export (File AE-P-SHL 01)*

On 24 October 2005, SILVERHILL applied for permits to export up to 4 380 gigawatt-hours of combined firm and interruptible energy per year for a period of 10 years.

Frontier Matters

Matters Completed

1. *Paramount Resources Ltd. - Alter the Condition of a Well*

On 14 October 2005, Paramount was given approval pursuant to sub-section 203(1) of the *Canada Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Regulation* to alter the condition of the well Liard K-29A.

2. *Husky Oil Operations - Geological, geophysical or geotechnical operations*

On 21 October 2005, Husky Oil was given approval pursuant to section 5.1(b) of the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act* for its Central Mackenzie Area Aerogravity Survey.

Gas Matter

Matter Pending

1. *EnCana Corporation (EnCana) - Replacement of a Gas Sale Agreement - Licences GL-284 and GL-285 (Files 7200-E112-1-1 and 7200-E112-1-2)*

On 23 December 2004, as amended on 26 October 2005, EnCana applied for approval of a gas sale agreement entitled the *Cross-Border Commodity Purchase & Sale Agreement* that would replace the original gas sale agreement dated 1 January 1994 underpinning natural gas export Licences GL-284 and GL-285. Under these licences, EnCana is authorized to export approximately 1.6 billion cubic metres and 1.0 billion cubic metres of natural gas, respectively, in any consecutive 12-month period ending 31 October. On 3 February 2005, the Board sent a letter to EnCana requesting additional information.

Pipeline Matters

Matter Completed

1. Section 58 Applications

The Board has approved applications under Section 58 of the *National Energy Board Act* involving routine pipeline facilities or the construction of pipelines not exceeding 40 kilometres in length. See Appendix I.

Matters Pending

2. Canadian Natural Resources Limited (CNRL) - Shekile Gas Pipeline (File AF-CNR 2005-01)

On 29 September 2005, CNRL applied for approval to construct a 9.0 kilometre, 168.3 millimetre, sweet natural gas pipeline commencing at a riser adjacent to an existing CNRL wellsite located at d-55-H/94-I-16 in northern British Columbia and ending at a tie-in point adjacent to the proposed TransCanada Pipelines Limited meter station located at 14-02-114-12 W6M in Alberta. CNRL proposes to construct the pipeline in the winter of 2005-2006 and the proposed in-service date is the first quarter of 2006. The estimated cost of the pipeline is \$2,250,000.

3. EnCana Oil & Gas Co. Ltd. on behalf of the EnCana Oil & Gas Partnership (EnCana) - Mid-Tupper Pipeline (File 3400-E126-3)

On 12 August 2005, EnCana applied to construct a sour natural gas pipeline and a sweet natural gas pipeline each extending 3.8 kilometres from an existing EnCana pipeline hub located at d-33-I/93-P-8 in British Columbia to tie-in points adjacent to the existing EnCana compressor station located at 15-31-74-13 W6M in Alberta. Construction of the proposed pipelines is planned for the fall of 2005 and the proposed in-service date is scheduled for the first quarter of 2006. The estimated cost of the pipelines is \$1.6 million.

4. Nexen Inc. - Construct the Cuthbert Gas Pipeline (File AFP-NXI 2005 001)

On 7 October 2005, Nexen Inc. applied for approval to construct a 1.3 kilometre natural gas pipeline commencing at an existing Nexen wellsite located at LSD 16-24-26-1 W4M in Alberta and ending at a pipeline header tie-in located at LSD 15-21-26-29 W3M in Saskatchewan. The pipeline would cross the border south of Alsask, Saskatchewan and west of Oyen, Alberta. The proposed construction of the pipeline would

occur in late November or December 2005 and the proposed in-service date is January 2006. The estimated cost of the pipeline is \$357,000.

5. Terasen Pipelines (Trans Mountain) Inc. (Terasen) - Capacity Expansion (File 3400-T099-13)

In an application dated 12 July 2005, as amended on 2 and 30 September 2005, Terasen applied for approval to increase the capacity of the Trans Mountain pipeline system from 35 770 cubic metres per day (225,000 barrels per day) to 41 330 cubic metres per day (260,000 barrels per day). The facilities required for the project include the construction of 11 pump stations, modifications to three existing pump stations, and modifications of pump internals at eight existing stations between Edmonton, Alberta and Burnaby, British Columbia. The construction of the project is proposed for 2006 with a proposed in-service date of April 2007. The estimated cost of the project is \$198 million.

6. TransCanada Pipelines Limited (TCPL) - Les Cèdres Loop (File 3400-T001-238)

On 28 February 2005, TCPL applied for approval to construct 21.3 kilometres of pipeline loop from mainline valve 147A in the Municipality of Saint-Télesphore, Quebec to mainline valve 148 in the Municipality of Les Cèdres, Quebec (Les Cèdres Loop). The proposed Les Cèdres Loop, together with the capacity provided by the existing mainline facilities, will be needed to enable TCPL to transport the natural gas required for a new gas-fired cogeneration plant being constructed at Bécancour, Quebec. The estimated cost of the project is \$44.1 million and the proposed in service date is 1 November 2006.

7. TransCanada Pipelines Limited (TCPL) - Deux Rivières and Stittsville Loops (File 3400-T001-249)

On 16 September 2005, TCPL applied for approval to construct 37.8 kilometres of 1 064 millimetre (42 inch) pipeline loops on its North Bay Shortcut in two sections, as follows:

- 18.1 km from MLV 1205 + 11.6 km to MLV 1206 (the "Deux Rivières Loop")
- 19.7 km from MLV 1216 + 10.3 km to MLV 1217 (the "Stittsville Loop").

The proposed facilities, together with the capacity provided by the existing Mainline facilities,

and by the Les Cèdres Loop proposed in TCPL's application dated 28 February 2005, will be needed to transport its forecasted total requirements for the Montreal Line and North Bay Shortcut for the operating year commencing 1 November 2006. TCPL plans to begin construction in July 2006. The estimated cost of the proposed facilities is \$99.3 million.

Traffic, Tolls and Tariffs Matters

Matter Completed

1. *Trans Québec & Maritimes Pipeline Inc. (TQM) - 2005 Tolls (File ATTA-TQM 016)*

On 5 October 2005, the Board approved an application dated 23 September 2005 from TQM for approval of final tolls for the year 2005.

Matters Pending

2. *Centra Transmission Holdings Inc. (Centra) - Interim Tolls (File 4200-C293-1)*

On 6 September 2005, Centra applied for approval of interim tolls until such time as the Board has completed its review of Centra's application dated 5 August 2005 for final tolls effective 1 August 2005.

On 9 September 2005, the Board decided that the existing tolls, those in effect on 31 July 2005, will remain interim effective 1 September 2005.

The Board sought comments from parties on the application for final tolls effective 1 August 2005.

3. *Trans-Northern Pipelines Inc. (TNPL) - 2005 Tolls (File 4200-T002-12)*

On 1 March 2005, TNPI applied for approval of final tolls for 2005 effective 1 January 2005. TNPI stated that its transportation revenue requirement for 2005 will increase to approximately \$60.2 million as compared to the calculated transportation requirement of \$35.9 million in 2004. Average tolls for 2005 will decrease by 0.6 percent as compared to those approved for 2004.

On 9 March 2005, the Board approved an application dated 7 March 2005 to continue to charge the interim tolls which were approved by Order TOI-4-2005 until such time as final tolls for 2005 are approved.

On 17 March 2005, the Board sought comments of interested parties on the application. On 31 March 2005, Ultramar Ltd. filed comments in which it indicated that it remained of the view that the cost overrun associated with the capacity expansion and line reversal project (OH-1-2003 Reasons for Decision) is unacceptable and that a more detailed examination of TNPI's application is necessary.

On 14 July 2005, Ultramar informed the Board that the parties are continuing their discussions on this matter.

Appeals

Appeals Pending

1. *Sumas Energy 2, Inc. (SE2) - Application for Leave to Appeal a Board Decision*

SE2 applied to the Federal Court of Appeal for leave to appeal the Board's 4 March 2004 decision in which it denied an application from SE2 to construct the Canadian portion of an 8.5 kilometre international power line originating at the Canada/United States international boundary near Sumas, Washington and running to a BC Hydro substation in Abbotsford, British Columbia. On 16 July 2004, the Court granted SE2's application to appeal the Board's decision.

The appeal will be heard in Vancouver commencing on 7 November 2005.

2. *Flint Hill Resources - Application for Leave to Appeal - RH-1-2005*

Flint Hill Resources applied to the Federal Court of Appeal for leave to appeal the Board's decision of 28 April 2005 in which it approved two applications from Enbridge Pipelines Inc. to recover, in its Canadian pipeline tolls, US\$20 million per year for five years related to the extension of service on the Spearhead Pipeline which runs from Chicago, Illinois to Cushing, Oklahoma and an initiative by Mobil Pipe Line Company to reverse the flow of its pipeline which runs from Patoka, Illinois to Corsicana, Texas.

Flint Hill Resources also filed a Notice of Motion with the Court seeking an extension of time, until 30 days following the release of the Board's Reasons for Decision in RH-1-2005, to seek leave to appeal on any additional grounds.

Amendments to Regulations

Regulatory Initiatives Pursuant to the *National Energy Board Act*

1. *Proposed Amendments to the Onshore Pipeline Regulations, 1999 (OPR-99) and the National Energy Board Processing Plant Regulations (PPR)*

The Board intends to amend the above regulations to require companies under its jurisdiction to develop and implement a pipeline security management program. As an interim step, prior to the promulgation of amendments to these regulations, the Board provided companies with a Notice of Proposed Regulatory Change (NOPRC). The NOPRC describes the proposed changes to the regulations. Once all of the comments are received regarding the NOPRC, the Board will release a Proposed Regulatory Change (PRC). The PRC will form a basis for the Board's interim pipeline security management expectations prior to any changes regarding security to the OPR-99 or PPR.

2. *Cost Recovery Regulations - Electricity - Review (File 175-A000-72-2)*

The Board is reviewing the *National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations* as they relate to the allocation of costs within the electricity industry. This decision was made following a request from some of the stakeholders. As part of the review, the Board held workshops on 9 December 2004 in Calgary and on 2 June 2005 in Montréal. The Board will hold a meeting with interested parties on 16 January 2006 in Toronto on the process of defining the cost recovery concept to incorporate the various legislative requirements relevant to the Board.

3. *National Energy Board Damage Prevention Regulations*

On 7 February 2005, the Board informed interested parties that it has completed the initial development phase of the above-noted Regulations. The Regulations have been submitted to the Department of Justice for review and analysis prior to pre-publication in the *Canada Gazette*, Part 1. The Draft Regulations dated October 2004 are available on the Board's Web site under *Acts and Regulations*.

Regulatory Initiatives Pursuant to the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act*

4. *Goal-oriented Drilling and Production Regulations (D&PR)*

On 11 April 2005, the Board, on behalf of several other federal and provincial agencies, sought comments from interested parties on a draft of the D&PR.

The D&PR project is an initiative of the Board, Natural Resources Canada, the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, the Province of Nova Scotia, the Canada-Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum Board, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board and the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. These agencies all have some form of direct regulatory responsibility for companies involved in the drilling for, and production of, oil and gas in Canada's frontier areas (i.e. Northwest Territories, Nunavut and offshore), including those governed under the *Offshore Accord Acts*.

The intent of the current project is to have goal-oriented D&PR in force by approximately the end of 2006. The goal-oriented D&PR project will build on draft D&PR that were developed as part of a previous project in 2000; however, several circumstances combined to delay the previous project and prevent those draft D&PR from coming into force.

5. *Canada Oil and Gas Diving Regulations and Guidance Notes*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 4 under Amendments to Regulations and Rules in the May 2001 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

6. *The Canada Oil and Gas Geophysical Operations Regulations*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 6 under Amendments to Regulations in the October 2004 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

Administrative Matters

Scheduled Energy Market Assessments (EMA) 2005-2006

1. Natural Gas for Power Generation: Issues and Implications

This EMA will examine the fastest growing segment of the North American natural gas market with emphasis on Canada. It would provide an outlook for future demand and related issues/implications for transportation services, storage and gas prices. The report is expected to be released in December 2005.

2. Conventional Natural Gas Resources of British Columbia: An Assessment of Ultimate Potential

The NEB and the British Columbia Ministry of Energy and Mines will be assessing the ultimate potential of conventional natural gas resources of British Columbia. The report is expected to be released in January 2006.

3. Renewable and Alternative Sources of Power

This EMA will address alternative and renewable technologies. Interest in alternative and renewable technologies, such as fuel cells, solar cells, wind, biomass, small-hydro and “clean coal,” as credible supplemental energy sources continue to grow in Canada. Demand reduction (or demand response) programs may also be considered an energy source. The report is expected to be released in February 2006.

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Appendix I

Section 58 Applications

Oil Pipelines

| <i>Applicant</i> | <i>File/Order</i> | <i>Application</i> | <i>Est. Cost</i> |
|--------------------------------|---|---|------------------|
| Provident Energy Pipeline Inc. | File: 3400-P115-2 Order: XO-P115-14-2005 | Application dated 20 June 2005; approved on 26 October 2005. Relocate and lower 300 metres of pipeline and remediate a slope of the Taylor to Boundary Lake Pipeline in British Columbia. | 250 000 |

Appendix II

Other Filings

| <i>Company</i> | <i>Date</i> | <i>Filing</i> |
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| Enbridge Pipelines Inc. | 6 October | File AF-NOMA-ENB-02 - Notification of Operation and Maintenance Activity - Exposure of the pipe surface for integrity assessments, repairs and replacement at KP 767.2755. |
| Trans Québec & Maritimes Pipeline Inc. | 7 October | File ATT-TTC-TQM-01 - Revisions to toll schedules. |
| Enbridge Pipelines Inc. | 10 October | File AFP-NOMA-ENB 2005 03 - Notification of Operations and Maintenance Activity - Stabilize the bank of the Rideau Canal at mile post 2070.74. |
| TransCanada PipeLines Limited | 11 October | File ATT-TTC-TCP-01 - Filing of a revision to the List of Receipt and Delivery Points to add the Grand Coulee receipt point. |
| Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline Limited Partnership | 11 October | File ATT-TTC-MNP 01 - Change in the Fuel Retainage Percentage from 0.08 to 0.5 percent effective 1 November 2005. |
| Enbridge Pipelines (Westspur) Inc. | 13 October | File AFP-NOMA-ENW 2005-01 - Notification of Operation and Maintenance Activity - Replace approximately 300 metres of the existing 12 inch pipeline with a new 8 inch pipeline at the Alida Terminal. |
| Cochin Pipe Lines Ltd. | 18 October | File AFP-NOMA-CPL 2005-02 - Notification of Operation and Maintenance Activity - Examine two joint sections of pipeline at Iskwao Creek, near Craik, Saskatchewan. |
| Express Pipeline Ltd | 21 October | File ATT-TTC-EPL 01 - NEB Tariff No. 65 effective 23 October 2005. |
| Enbridge Pipelines Inc | 26 October | File AFP-NOMA-ENB 2005-04 - Notification of Operation and Maintenance Activity - Replace discharge piping spool at the Strome Station. |
| Enbridge Pipelines Inc | 26 October | File AFP-NOMA-ENB 2005-05 - Notification of Operation and Maintenance Activity - Replace piping at the Kiagman Station. |
| Enbridge Pipelines Inc | 28 October | File AFP-NOMA-ENB 2005-07 - Notification of Operation and Maintenance Activity - Minor adjustment to Joshua Creek in Ontario. |
| Alliance Pipeline Ltd. | 28 October | File ATT-TTC-ALL-01- Revised Tariff Sheets effective 1 January 2006. |
| Trans Quebec & Martimes Pipeline Inc. | 31 October | File ATT-QSR-TQM 2005-03 - Quarterly Surveillance Report for the period ended 30 September 2005. |
| Cochin Pipe Lines Ltd. | 31 October | File AFP-NOMA-CPL 03 - Notification of Operation and Maintenance Activity - Excavate and examine two sections of pipe at the Cottonwood Creek near Regina, Saskatchewan. |
| Westcoast Energy Inc. | 31 October | File ATT-TTC-WEI 01- Light-handed Regulation, revised transportation toll schedules effective 1 November 2005. |
| Express Pipeline Ltd. | 31 October | File ATT-TTC-EPL 01 - NEB Tariff No. 66 effective 1 November 2005. |

Profile

The National Energy Board is a federal regulatory tribunal that was created on 2 November 1959 by an Act of Parliament.

The Board's regulatory powers under the *National Energy Board Act* include the granting of authorizations for the exportation of oil, natural gas and electricity, the certification of interprovincial and international pipelines and international power lines, and the setting of tolls and tariffs for oil and gas pipelines under federal jurisdiction.

In addition to its regulatory functions, the Board is responsible for advising the government on the development and use of energy resources.

The Act also requires that the Board keep under review the Canadian supply of all major energy commodities, with emphasis on electricity, oil, natural gas, and the by-products derived from

oil and natural gas, as well as the demand for Canadian energy in Canada and in export markets.

The Board's responsibilities under the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act* and certain provisions of the *Canada Petroleum Resources Act* encompass the regulation of exploration for and the development and production of oil and gas on Frontier Lands in a manner that promotes safety of the worker, protection of the environment, and conservation of hydrocarbon resources.

The Board also has specific responsibilities under the *Northern Pipeline Act* and the *Energy Administration Act*. In addition, Board inspectors have been appointed safety officers by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada to administer Part II of the *Canada Labour Code*.

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