

Calgary

**(Briefing
on
Oil Sands)**

January 3, 1990

Honorable James D. Horsman
Deputy Premier
320 Legislative Building
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5J 1S6

Dear Premier Horsman:

As members of the Executive Committee of the South/West Energy Council and of the Alaska State Legislature, we have been exposed to the Alberta approach to oil and gas development and marketing by visits to your province and other meetings of the Council.

We have on these occasions been interested by Canadian oil and gas producers' approach to marketing natural gas to U.S. markets and how their interests and the interests of the Alberta and Canadian national government affect development of our natural gas on the Alaskan North Slope. We have also been intrigued by the experimental work being done in your Athabasca ~~tar~~ Sands and potential technology applications in our own heavy oil and tar sands region. Finally, we are interested in knowing more about Alberta's public/private sector partnership to develop your oil and gas resources and particularly the Alberta Oil Sands Technology and Research Authority.

Over the last several months we have had several discussions with Ms. Susan Cribbs, Associate Director, Alberta Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs, regarding the possibility of having hearings before several of our legislative committees to expose Alaskan policy and law makers to your province and your overall approach to resource development.

Through this letter, we would like to formally invite a delegation knowledgeable in these areas to address a joint meeting of Senate Resources Committee and the Senate Oil and Gas Committee. We have tentatively identified three dates in late January as potential dates; January 29, 31, or February 2.

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We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience and know that our colleagues will be as interested in Alberta's development scheme as have we.

Thank you.



Sincerely,

Senator Bettye Fahrenkamp, Chair
Senate Resources Committee

Senator Drew Pearce, Chair
Senate Oil & Gas Committee

Representative Mark Boyer

SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 2, 1990
MR. NORM MACMURCHY AND MR. BILL YORKO

9:00AM SENATOR FAHRENKAMPS OFFICE (#3835)
SEN. PEARCE, SEN.FAHRENKAMP, REP. BOYER

12:00PM SENATE PRESIDENT KELLYS OFFICE (#3822)
SEN. KELLY, SEN.FAHRENKAMP, REP. BOYER

1:00PM REPRESENTATIVE COTTENS OFFICE (#3711)
TO MEET REP. COTTEN

1:15PM REPRESENTATIVE MENARDS OFFICE (#2679)
TO MEET REP. MENARD

1:30- *Senate Resources* JOINT^A OIL/GAS MEETING TO BE HELD ... *Buttrick* ~~SENATE FINANCE???~~
3:30PM

3:30PM COMMISSIONER GORSUCHS OFFICE (5TH FLOOR ST. OFFICE BUILD)
(#2400)

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