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Mr. Terry Forkheim Senior Environmental and Regulatory Advisor Equinor Canada Ltd. 3600, 308 4th Avenue SW Calgary, Alberta T2P 0H7

Dear Mr. Forkheim,

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## SUBJECT: RESPONSES TO INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS (IRS) FOR THE PROPOSED CENTRAL RIDGE EXPLORATION DRILLING PROJECT

The Impact Assessment Agency (Agency) has completed the conformity review of Equinor Canada Limited's responses to the Information Requirements (IRs) sent to you on March 30, 2020. The Agency requires acceptable responses to IRs in order to complete its review of the EIS and to proceed with the preparation of its Environmental Assessment Report.

The Agency has determined that the IR responses are sufficient and will continue with the technical review. The Agency will review the IR responses and will seek input from government expert departments and Indigenous participants. Further information may be requested based on the outcome of the review.

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The timeline for the environmental assessment resumed as of June 5, 2020. For further information, please consult the Agency document on Information Requests and Timelines:

https://www.canada.ca/en/impact-assessment-agency/services/policy-guidance/information-requests-timelines.html.

Sincerely,

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