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Attention: Owners/Operators of Linear Property

Dear Assessed Person/Representative:

Re: Stakeholder Meetings with the Linear Property Assessment Advisors 2014 Assessment Year/2015 Tax Year

Upon receiving your linear property assessment notices you may have questions about the changes you see over last year's assessment. As with previous years, you are invited to discuss your linear property assessment with the linear advisors that prepared the assessment. To assist companies and their representatives, advisors are available year round to engage in a face-to-face meeting or through telephone and/or email communication. If you have questions about the assessment and are considering filing an assessment complaint, please contact the department and discuss your issue(s) before the end of the complaint period.

A summary of this year's changes to the linear property assessment notice may include:

- A change in your inventory;
- The annual change to the Assessment Year Modifier<sup>1</sup> which affects the rate per quantity applied against the linear property inventory;
- A change in the depreciation due to age of the property or the amount of production from wells.

This year's deadline for filing a linear property assessment complaint is Tuesday, March 31, 2015 which is the legislated 60 days from the date the assessment notice is mailed. If you discover any discrepancies in the linear property assessment information, we encourage you to discuss your concerns with the advisor prior to filing a complaint. Many issues can be resolved without filing a formal complaint.

We have dedicated the period of **March 9 to 20, 2015** for scheduling individual company meetings in Calgary. Please contact one of our advisors (see the attached contact list) if you would like to arrange a meeting to discuss your linear property assessment. If the timeframe or location is not suitable, feel free to propose a different date.

Please note that our team is available to meet and talk to you throughout the year and not only during the above period.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours truly,

## Original signed by Christine Risling

Ms. Christine Risling, AMAA Director, Linear Property Assessment Unit

The Assessment Year Modifiers are listed in table 1.01 of the 2014 Alberta Linear Property Assessment Minister's Guidelines. You can obtain a copy of this document at the following website <a href="https://www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca">www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca</a>, then by selecting Municipalities & Communities/Property Assessment and Taxation/Legislation.

## Staff Contact List Linear Property Assessment Unit January 2015

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