



**OIL AND GAS COMMISSION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

May 30th, 2003

Derek Doyle
Commissioner
Oil and Gas Commission
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Dear Derek Doyle:

Re: Request to meet

An extraordinary meeting of the Oil and Gas Commission Advisory Committee (AC) was called and held on May 30th, 2003. A quorum of the Committee was in attendance.

The Advisory Committee has twice recommended that the Oil and Gas Commission (OGC) grant authority to facilitate settlement of a dispute by a process of consensual Alternate Dispute Resolution. In neither case were the recommendations of the AC accepted. As a result, some AC members and members of the public have expressed the view that this will lead to the conception that the Request for Reconsideration mechanism is not valid or credible and that the OGC will not be viewed as balanced.

The AC believes that the long-term result will be the destabilization of the Province's natural gas industry.

We suggest that a valid, independent and binding appeal mechanism may have to be developed to hear disputes regarding decisions of the Commissioner. We look forward to further discussions with you on this most important matter.

Yours truly,

Bob Fedderly
Chairperson
Oil and Gas Commission Advisory Committee

cc: Oil and Gas Commission Advisory Committee