Crown Oil Proposal:
Pearl Mine

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Why Alberta: Behind Pearl Mine

- Pearl Mine is a proposed oil sands mining site in Alberta, Canada owned by Crown Oil of Calgary.
- Alberta is the world’s second largest proven oil reserve and offers geopolitical stability to investors.
- Crown Oil is a local company that cares about the environmental and economic welfare of Alberta.
- Microwave heating and the Alberta Taciuk Process will eliminate tailings and unusable organic compounds.
Improvements to Current Refining Methods

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Alternative Bitumen Extraction Methods

- Alberta Taciuk Process (ATP) with Microwave Heating

- Pyrolysis in ATP
  - Chemical decomposition used for organic materials
  - Produces gas and liquid products that leave richer carbon content in solid residue

- Microwaves provide:
  - Rapid heating and penetration
  - Effective in separating water and oil
  - Selectivity of affected
  - Material aids in removing unusable organic compounds

- 1999 Australia — 170 Million Dollar investment
- Daily Capacity of retorting 6000 tons oil sands/3000 barrels of oil
- 130-150 g CO2 Equiv/MJ of gasoline produced
ATP and Microwave Benefits

Benefits

- Microwave processes conserve energy by heating only what is necessary.
- ATP
  - Design is simple/energy self sufficient
  - Uses minimal process water
  - Handles fine particles
  - Results in high oil yields (85-90% of Fischer Assay)
  - Achieves improved process efficiencies through solid to solid heat transfers
  - Organic carbon residue content is less that 3%

Results

- Elimination of the need of tailing ponds
- Reduction of bitumen losses to tailings
- Improvement in energy efficiency
- Elimination of requirements for chemical additives
- Recycled CO2 back into process mitigates GHG emissions
The Tweak

- The available biotechnology does not impact the Tiger Bait Consulting EOI for Pearl Mine as the microwave heating and Alberta Taciuk processes do not create a tailings stream.
- It can be used on current projects that do create a tailings stream and the remaining raw material produced can be sold.
Applicable Regulations

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The Reclamation Process

- Surface mining: Reclamation will be started immediately following mining practices and zoned according to recent activity.

- In-situ: Reclamation will be performed after drilling operations are complete and the mine will be filled with an inert material.

- Crown Oil is required by the Mines and Minerals Act and Oil Sands Conservation Act to perform reclamation activities.

- Aboriginal tribes will be allowed to incorporate their environmental knowledge into the reclamation process and to help with the process in any way possible.
Provincial and Federal Regulations

Federal
- Fisheries Act
- Canadian Environmental Assessment Act
- Navigable Waters Protection Act
- Climate Change and Emissions Management Act

Provincial
- Mines and Minerals Act
- Oil Sands Conservation Act
- Water Act
- Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act
- Public Lands Act
The community at large is Crown Oil’s first priority in the Pearl Mine project.

- Community Action Days, scholarship funds, and other inclusive activities will reinforce Pearl Mine as a community staple.
- Aboriginal tribes will be consulted about the respectful use of land in accordance with cultural traditions and heritage.

- Crown Oil is required by law to reclaim all land used in mining and remediate it to its former state.
- Pearl Mine will be a model mining facility that will exemplify Crown Oil’s commitment to Alberta.
Questions and Comments

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