

CASE STUDY

Nimonik streamlined compliance for Brion Energy, an Oil Sands company that is developing innovative extraction technology. Brion Energy is now PetroChina Canada

Location: Alberta, Canada

Industry: Oil Sands Development and Production

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Summary

This case study focuses on Brion Energy, an oil sands company based in Alberta, Canada. At the time when the case study was written, Brion Energy was still a start-up and seeking an environmental compliance solution. In 2016, Brion Energy was acquired by PetroChina, becoming PetroChina Canada.

The former Brion Energy recognized the importance of environmental compliance and sought a comprehensive tool to monitor changes in legislation and simplify their environmental management system. They discovered [Nimonik](#) through LinkedIn and found it to be the ideal solution for their needs.

Company Overview

PetroChina Canada is an integrated energy business and a wholly owned subsidiary of PetroChina Company Limited. With a global perspective, PetroChina Canada recognizes the growing demand for energy in the face of a rapidly increasing global population. As a responsible energy producer, the company's primary focus is on the responsible production and delivery of energy to customers worldwide.

Driven by its vision to become a leading integrated energy company in Canada, PetroChina Canada is fully committed to social responsibility. The company has made significant investments in upstream, midstream, and downstream assets in Canada, positioning itself to unlock, produce, and distribute energy resources for the foreseeable future.



Angela Holzapfel
Environmental Advisor

The Challenge

PetroChina Canada is an Oil Sands company that is building our first in-situ (SAGD) bitumen recovery operation.

Based in Alberta, the operations started in 2010 and have been growing. Angela is an environmental advisor, leading development of the environmental management system.

The Search

- Angela explains that “because we are a new company, I wanted to do environmental compliance right, from the start.” When they started their project, they had no system in place and were looking for an easy to use and accurate tool.
- Angela and her team at PetroChina Canada wanted a tool that would comprehensively “monitor

changes to legislation for us and provide updates so that I don't have to monitor the government gazettes and publications myself".

- PetroChina Canada found Nimonik through the professional social network, LinkedIn.

The Solution

- When asked what differentiates [Nimonik](#) from other options Angela explains that "there doesn't really appear to be anyone else offering the same package of services that Nimonik does."
- When they used Nimonik for the first time, their first comment was quite simple, "it's easy to use!"
- Angela and her team particularly love that Nimonik, "monitors the changes to regulations and PetroChina Canada can upload project specific permits and receive email alerts".

The Implementation

- The implementation of Nimonik was smooth. They explained that Nimonik was "very easy to set up, and the account is now running smoothly."

The Results

- Angela explains that the team at Nimonik was particularly helpful and they are very satisfied with the streamlined approach to environmental regulatory updates and permit management.
- On a scale of 1 to 4, PetroChina Canada rates Nimonik's customer service a 4!

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