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PRIMEWEST ENERGY TRUST CLARIFIES EAST CROSSFIELD GAS PLANT INCIDENT

CALGARY (TSX: PWI.UN; PWX; PWI.DB.A; PWI.DB.B; NYSE: PWI)– At approximately 11:25 PM on September 5th crews working to isolate a processing unit at the East Crossfield gas plant, as part of a scheduled maintenance shutdown, ignited a small quantity of low pressure sour natural gas. No one at the site sustained major injuries and no damage to the facility occurred.

On-site water was immediately used to control the fire with assistance provide by the Crossfield Fire Department until nitrogen could be used to flush the line. Assistance was also rendered by the Rockyview Fire Department and Calgary Hazmat, as well Alberta Environment, and the Energy & Utilities Board. (EUB) The fire burned for approximately 15 minutes.

The use of nitrogen to flush the line created a sulphur vapour and as a precaution the RCMP closed an adjacent section of Highway 2A. The closest resident to the site was notified, however subsequent monitoring indicated that an evacuation was not required. The sulphur vapour dissipated by 1:30 AM and isolation of the unit was completed by 2:00 AM.

This incident will have no impact upon production volumes, as the East Crossfield plant was already offline for scheduled maintenance.

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