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British Columbia Securities Commission
Alberta Securities Commission
Financial and Consumer Affairs Authority of Saskatchewan
Manitoba Securities Commission
Ontario Securities Commission
Autorité des marchés financiers (Québec)
Financial and Consumer Services Commission (New Brunswick)
Nova Scotia Securities Commission
Office of the Superintendent of Securities, Service (Newfoundland & Labrador)
Office of the Superintendent of Securities (Prince Edward Island)
Office of the Superintendent of Securities (Northwest Territories)
Office of the Yukon Superintendent of Securities
Nunavut Securities Office

Re: Cenovus Energy Inc. – Final Short Form Base Shelf Prospectus dated October 10, 2017

We refer to the final short form base shelf prospectus of Cenovus Energy Inc. (the "**Corporation**") dated the date hereof (the "**Prospectus**") relating to an offering, from time to time to purchasers in each of the provinces and territories of Canada, of common shares, debt securities, preferred shares, subscription receipts, warrants, share purchase contracts and/or units of the Corporation having an aggregate offering price of up to US\$7,500,000,000 or the equivalent in other currencies.

We are a firm of independent petroleum engineering consultants and have prepared the following:

1. reports dated February 14, 2017 for the Corporation evaluating a portion of the Corporation's reserves as at December 31, 2016 (the "**AIF and Resources Statement Reports**") as described in the Annual Information Form of the Corporation dated February 15, 2017 (the "**AIF**") and the Statement of Contingent and Prospective Resources as at December 31, 2016 of the Corporation (the "**Resources Statement**"); and
2. a report dated March 21, 2017 for the Corporation evaluating 82% of the proved and probable reserves (including 84% of proved reserves) of bitumen, heavy oil, light and medium oil, natural gas liquids, natural gas and coal bed methane as at December 31, 2016 (the "**Acquisition Report**", and collectively with the AIF and Resources Statement Reports, the "**Reports**") of the following assets, which were acquired by the Corporation from ConocoPhillips Company ("**ConocoPhillips**") on May 17, 2017:
 - A. ConocoPhillips' 50% interest (being the 50% interest that the Corporation did not already own) in FCCL Partnership, the owner of the Foster Creek, Christina Lake and Narrows Lake oil sands projects in northeast Alberta; and
 - B. the majority of ConocoPhillips' western Canadian conventional assets, including ConocoPhillips' exploration and production assets and related infrastructure and agreements in the Elmworth-Wapiti, Kaybob-Edson and Clearwater operating areas, and other operating areas, and all of ConocoPhillips' interest in petroleum and natural gas rights and oil sands leases northwest of Foster Creek,

such Acquisition Report having been described in the material change report of the Corporation dated April 5, 2017 (the "**MCR**").

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We hereby consent to being named under the headings "Experts" and "Documents Filed as Part of the Registration Statement" in the Prospectus and to being named and to the use of, and reference to excerpts and information derived from the AIF and Resources Statement Reports in the AIF and the Resources Statement, as applicable, and the Acquisition Report in the MCR, each as incorporated by reference into the Prospectus.

We also confirm that we have read the Prospectus and all information specifically incorporated by reference therein, including the AIF, the Resources Statement and the MCR, and have no reason to believe that there are any misrepresentations in the information contained therein that are derived from the Reports or that are within our knowledge as a result of the services we performed in connection with preparing the Reports.

Yours truly,
McDANIEL & ASSOCIATES CONSULTANTS LTD.

/s/ M. J. Verney

M. J. Verney, P. Eng.
Vice President