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### State of Louisiana

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### REGULAR MEETING APRIL 12, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board was held on **Wednesday, April 12, 2023**, beginning at 9:46 a.m. in the LaBelle Room of the LaSalle Building, 617 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, First Floor, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. W. Paul Segura, Jr., Chairman, called the meeting to order.

### II. ROLL CALL

OMR Assistant Secretary Jamie Manuel then called the roll for the purpose of establishing a quorum.

W. Paul Segura, Jr., Chairman
Carol R. LeBlanc, Vice-Chair
J. Todd Hollenshead
Willie J. Young, Sr.
Harvey "Ned" White
Rochelle A. Michaud-Dugas
Thomas F. Harris, DNR Secretary
Harry J. Vorhoff, Governor John Bel Edwards Designee

The following members were recorded as absent:

Robert D. Watkins Thomas L. Arnold, Jr. Darryl D. Smith

Chairman Segura announced that a quorum of eight (8) members was established.

### III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chairman led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

### IV. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 8, 2023 MINUTES

The Chairman stated that the second order of business was the approval of the Minutes.

A motion was made by Mr. Hollenshead to adopt the March 8, 2023 Minutes as submitted and to waive reading of the same. His motion was seconded by Mr. White and unanimously adopted by the Board. (No public comments were made at this time.)

The Chairman stated the next order of business was the presentation of the following Staff Reports:

### V. STAFF REPORTS

- a) **Lease Review Report** Presented by Jason Talbot, Petroleum Scientist Manager, Geology, Engineering and Land Division
- b) **Nomination and Tract Report** Presented by Greg Roberts, Petroleum Lands Director, Geology, Engineering and Land Division
- c) Audit Report Presented by Rachel Newman, Audit Director, Mineral Income Division
- d) **Legal and Title Controversy Report** Presented by Greg Roberts, Petroleum Lands Director, Geology, Engineering and Land Division
- e) **Docket Review Report** Presented by Greg Roberts, Petroleum Lands Director, Geology, Engineering and Land Division
- \* Resolutions are in chronological order at the end of the minutes.

### a) LEASE REVIEW REPORT APRIL 12, 2023

(Resolution No. 23-04-001)

### I. GEOLOGICAL AND ENGINEERING STAFF REVIEW

According to the SONRIS database, there are 1,003 active State Leases containing approximately 424,888 acres. Since the last Lease Review Report, the Geological and Engineering Division reviewed 93 leases covering approximately 47,695 acres for lease maintenance and development.

### II. BOARD REVIEW

1. There were no State Lease items to bring before the Board.

### III. STAFF ITEMS AUTHORIZED BY BOARD

1. A Staff Report was given by Mr. Jason Talbot in accordance with the Board Resolution dated December 11, 2002 which authorized any Staff member designated by the Secretary of the Board, on behalf of the Board to waive Department of Conservation Statewide Order No. 29-E spacing requirements in any situation which they deemed most beneficial to the State provided, that any such waiver exercised by the Secretary and designated Staff member are reported to the Fact Finding Committee at the next regular Board Meeting following the exercise of said authority.

Mr. Talbot reported that the Staff issued a letter of "No Objection" to Cantium LLC to produce the SL 1365 No. 93 (SN 253960) at an exceptional location until a suitable unit is formed located in the Bay Marchand Blk 2 Field.

Mr. Talbot further reported that this action required approval by the Board.

Upon motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. White and by unanimous vote of the Board, the Board accepted Staff's recommendation and approved the aforementioned action by Staff concerning SL 1365 No. 93 (SN 253960). There were no comments from the public on this matter. (Resolution No. 23-04-001)

### IV. FORCE MAJEURE

1. There were no Force Majeure items to bring before the Board.

### b) NOMINATION AND TRACT REPORT APRIL 12, 2023

(Resolution No. 23-04-002)

The Board heard the report of Mr. Greg Roberts on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, relative to nominations received in the Office of Mineral Resources for the April 12, 2023 Mineral Lease Sale and other matters.

Based upon Staff's recommendation, and on motion of Ms. Leblanc, duly seconded by Mr. Young, the Board granted authority to Staff to advertise all such tracts that have been received by the Staff of the Office of Mineral Resources as well as any tracts that have been previously advertised and rolled over and otherwise approve the Nomination and Tract Report. (Resolution No. 23-04-002)

### c) AUDIT REPORT April 12, 2023

(Resolution Nos. 23-04-003 through 23-04-005)

The first matter on the audit report was a recoupment request from Blue Dome Operating, LLC for an overpayment in the amount of \$265,654.65.

Upon recommendation of Staff and upon motion of Mr. Vorhoff, seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recoupment request of Blue Dome Operating, LLC for the overpayment of \$265,654.65. (Resolution No. 23-04-003)

The second matter on the audit report was a recoupment request from Comstock Oil & Gas Louisiana for an overpayment in the amount of \$838,305.00.

Upon recommendation of Staff and upon motion of Mr. Hollenshead, seconded by Mr. Vorhoff, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recoupment request of Hilcorp Energy Company for the overpayment of \$822,978.30. (Resolution No. 23-04-004)

The third matter on the audit report was a request to place Martin Energy LLC, and any parties associated with the leases, on demand for outstanding billings, which were the result of the late payment of royalty.

Upon recommendation of Staff and upon motion of Mr. Vorhoff, seconded by Secretary Harris, the Board granted authorization to the Attorney General's Office to place Martin Energy LLC, and any affiliated parties or parties associated with the leases, on demand, and further granted authority to the Attorney General's office to file suit for unpaid penalties should compliance with the demand request not be made within a reasonable time. (Resolution No. 23-04-005)

The fourth matter on the audit report was the election of the April 2023 gas royalty to be paid on an unprocessed basis at the Discovery Plant at Larose and the Sea Robin Plant at Henry per the terms of the State Texaco Global Settlement Agreement.

No action required.

### d) LEGAL & TITLE CONTROVERSY REPORT APRIL 12, 2023

(Resolution Nos. 23-04-006, 23-04-026, and 23-04-007)

The first matter considered by the State Mineral and Energy Board (Board) was a request by Staff to remove the water bottom known as "Little River" in Rapides and LaSalle Parishes from commerce.

The Staff reported that this water bottom was further defined by the 9th JDC of Louisiana within Civil Suit Number 223,262 and was depicted within Exhibit A which was attached to the report.

The Staff recommended that the Board grant them the authority to remove this acreage from commerce.

After unanimous vote of the Board and upon motion of Mr. Harris, seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, the State Mineral and Energy Board approved the request by Staff to remove the water bottom known as "Little River" located in Rapides and LaSalle Parishes from commerce. There were no comments from the public on this matter. (Resolution No. 23-04-006)

The second matter considered by the Board was a request by Staff, pursuant to La. R.S. 30:209(4)(e), for authority to conduct a public hearing in Cameron Parish pursuant to La. R.S. 30:6, for consideration of entering into an Operating Agreement with Castex Carbon Solutions, LLC (Castex) for the storage of carbon dioxide upon and beneath State owned lands and water-bottoms (Public Hearing).

Staff reported that together with the public notice that will be advertised by Staff in relation to the Public Hearing, Staff also requests authority to advertise a public notice regarding the possibility of entering into the Operating Agreement with Castex to store carbon dioxide beneath the same State owned lands and water-bottoms and directing an interested party to present an offer covering these lands and water-bottoms prior to the Public Hearing in order for that offer to be considered by the Board.

Staff further reported that the date of the public hearing and the specific area to be covered by the proposed Operating Agreement will be set forth in the public notice.

The Staff recommended that the Board grant them the authority for the aforementioned request.

This matter was delayed to allow the Board to discuss further in Executive Session.

After Executive Session, this matter was revisited by the Board. After careful consideration and upon motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, the State

Mineral and Energy Board approved the above request by Staff. There were no comments from the public on this matter. (Resolution No. 23-04-026)

The third matter considered by the Board was a request that in addition to the authority to enter into leases for wind energy development and production pursuant to La. R.S. 30:124, La. R.S. 30:209 (4)(a) also grants the State Mineral and Energy Board authority to enter into operating agreements whereby the State receives a share of revenues from the production of wind energy.

Staff reported that after a thorough review of the current regulations, statutes and other issues pertaining to the question of whether to utilize the authority for entering into leases for wind energy or the authority for entering into operating agreements for wind energy, Staff is requesting authority to utilize the authority granted to the State Mineral and Energy Board to negotiate and enter into operating agreements for wind energy development and production, instead of, and in lieu of, utilizing the authority to enter into leases for wind energy development and production.

The Staff recommended that the Board grant them the authority for the aforementioned request.

Upon motion of Mr. Vorhoff, seconded by Mr. Young, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board approved the aforementioned request. There were no comments from the public on this matter. (Resolution No. 23-04-007)

### e) DOCKET REVIEW REPORT APRIL 12, 2023

(Resolution Nos. 23-04-008 through 23-04-025)

The Board heard the report from Greg Roberts on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, relative to the following:

Category A: State Agency Leases

Docket Item No. 1

Category B: State Lease Transfers

Docket Item Nos. 1 through 13

Category C: Department of Wildlife & Fisheries State Agency Lease

There were no items for this category

Category D: Advertised Proposals

Docket Item Nos. 1 through 4

Based upon the staff's recommendation, on motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, duly seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the Board voted to accept the following recommendations:

Category A: State Agency Leases

Docket Item No. 1

(Resolution No. 23-04-08

Category B: State Lease Transfers

Docket Item Nos. 1 through 13

(Resolution Nos. 23-04-009 through 23-04-021)

Category D: Advertised Proposals

Docket Item No. 1 through 4

(Resolution Nos. 23-04-022 through 23-04-025)

### VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Chairman stated that the next order of business was discussions in Executive Session to consider matters before the Board which were confidential in nature.

A request by Staff was made to add the following item to be discussed in Executive Session:

Discussion regarding natural gas legal issues on state leases

Upon motion of Mr. Harris, seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, and by unanimous roll call vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted authority to Staff to add the item entitled "Discussion regarding natural gas legal issues on state leases" to the Agenda as Item d. to be discussed in Executive Session. There were no comments from the public on this matter.

Upon motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Vorhoff, the Board Members went into Executive Session at 10:19 a.m.

Upon motion of Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. White, the Board reconvened in open session at 11:26 p.m.

Upon motion of Mr. Vorhoff, seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, the Board addressed Item No. 2 of the Legal & Title Report before consideration of the following matters discussed in Executive Session:

a. A discussion of a possible resolution of State mineral claims in the matter of *In re: S2 Energy Operating, L.L.C., et al.,* Docket No. 23-10066, Eastern District of Louisiana Bankruptcy Court

Upon motion of Mr. Vorhoff, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted authority to Staff and the Attorney General's office to proceed and resolve that component of the case as discussed in Executive Session. There were no comments from the public on this matter. (Resolution No. 23-04-027)

b. An update and discussion of ongoing negotiations of Operating Agreements for carbon capture and sequestration and wind energy projects on State owned lands and water-bottoms and for property owned by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

This matter was a discussion only and no action was taken by the Board.

c. Technical Briefing on Bids

This matter was a discussion only and no action was taken by the Board.

d. Discussion regarding natural gas legal issues on state leases.
 This matter was a discussion only and no action was taken by the Board.

### VII. AWARDING OF LEASES

The Chairman stated that the next order of business was the awarding of the leases and called on Mr. Jason Talbot to present Staff's recommendations to the Board.

The Staff reported there were thirteen (13) tracts up for bid. Eight (8) of those tracts received bids. Single bids were received on Tract Nos. 45636, 45641, 45645, and 45646. Multiple bids were received on four (4) of the tracts: Tract No. 45634 received three (3) bids, Tract No. 45635 received two (2) bids, Tract No. 45640 received two (2) bids, and Tract No. 45643 received two (2) bids. Staff recommended that the bid on Tract No. 45640 by Cypress Energy Partners, LLC be accepted; that the bid on Tract No. 45641 by Cypress Energy Partners, LLC be rejected due to insufficient bid and the tract be readvertised with minimums; and that all other bids received be accepted.

Upon motion of Mr. Hollenhead, and seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, the Board voted unanimously to accept Staff's recommendations and award leases on the following tracts:

### **Tract 45634(1)**

(Portion: 320.45 acres)

Bidder : LLOLA, L.L.C.
Primary Term : Five (5) years
Cash Payment : \$65,692.25
Annual Rental : \$32,846.13

Royalties : 21.5% on oil and gas

: 21.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### Tract 45634(2)

(Portion: 138.23 acres)

Bidder : LLOLA, L.L.C.
Primary Term : Five (5) years
Cash Payment : \$27,646.00
Annual Rental : \$13,823.00

Royalties : 21.5% on oil and gas

21.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### **Tract 45634(3)**

(Portion: 8.22 acres)

Bidder : LLOLA, L.L.C.
Primary Term : Five (5) years
Cash Payment : \$1,685.10
Annual Rental : \$842.55

Royalties : 21.5% on oil and gas : 21.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### Tract 45635(1)

(Portion: 89.05 acres)

Bidder : LLOLA, L.L.C.
Primary Term : Five (5) years
Cash Payment : \$18,255.25
Annual Rental : \$9,127.63

Royalties : 21.5% on oil and gas

: 21.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### Tract 45635(2)

(Portion: 182.28 acres)

Bidder : LLOLA, L.L.C.
Primary Term : Five (5) years
Cash Payment : \$36,456.00
Annual Rental : \$18,228.00

Royalties : 21.5% on oil and gas

: 21.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### **Tract 45636**

(Portion: 133.71 acres)

Bidder : LLOLA, L.L.C.
Primary Term : Five (5) years
Cash Payment : \$27,410.55
Annual Rental : \$13,705.28

Royalties : 21.5% on oil and gas

21.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### <u>Tract 45640(1)</u>

(Entire: 12 acres)

Bidder : CYPRESS ENERGY PARTNERS, LLC

Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$24,000.00
Annual Rental : \$12,000.00

Royalties : 22.5% on oil and gas : 22.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### Tract 45643(1)

(Portion: 16.81 acres)

Bidder : LLOLA, L.L.C.
Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$3,446.05
Annual Rental : \$1,723.03

Royalties : 21.5% on oil and gas : 21.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### Tract 45643(2)

(Portion: 242.40 acres)

Bidder : LLOLA, L.L.C.
Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$49,692.00
Annual Rental : \$24,846.00

Royalties : 21.5% on oil and gas : 21.5% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### **Tract 45645**

(Portion: 15.000 acres)

Bidder : HILCORP ENERGY I, L.P.

Primary Term : Three (3) years Cash Payment : \$3, 300.00 Annual Rental : \$1,650.00

Royalties : 21% on oil and gas

: 21% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

### <u>Tract 45646</u>

(Entire: 21.265 acres)

Bidder : CYPRESS ENERGY PARTNERS, LLC

Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$63,795.00
Annual Rental : \$31,897.50

Royalties : 25% on oil and gas

: 25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

The lease(s) awarded were conditioned on the tract description(s) being accurate, overlapped prior leases being subtracted from acreage bid on, acreage amount(s) being verified and agreed between bidder and state and portion bids verified as being located within advertised boundary of tract.

This concluded the awarding of the leases.

### VII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

### IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Manuel stated that the leases awarded totaled \$321,378.20 for the April 12, 2023 Lease Sale bringing the fiscal year total to \$7,888,039.75.

Chairman Segura asked that everyone remember Commissioner Ieyoub's family at this time.

### X. ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman then stated that there being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion of Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Young, the meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### **RESOLUTION #23-04-001**

(LEASE REVIEW REPORT)

**WHEREAS,** on motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas seconded by Mr. White, the following resolution was offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. Jason Talbot of the Office of Mineral Resources made a report in accordance with the Board Resolution dated December 11, 2002 which authorized any Staff member designated by the Secretary of the Board, on behalf of the Board to waive Department of Conservation Statewide Order No. 29-E spacing requirements in any situation which they deemed most beneficial to the State provided, that any such waiver exercised by the Secretary and designated Staff member are reported to the Fact Finding Committee at the next regular Board Meeting following the exercise of said authority; and

WHEREAS, the Staff issued a letter of "No Objection" to Cantium LLC to produce the SL 1365 No. 93 (SN 253960) at an exceptional location until a suitable unit is formed located in the Bay Marchand Blk 2 Field; and

WHEREAS, the Staff reported that this action required approval by the Board.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the State Mineral and Energy Board accepted Staff's recommendation and approved the aforementioned action by Staff concerning SL 1365 No. 93 (SN 253960).

### **CERTIFICATE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 12th day of April, 2023, of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice and in compliance with law, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

JAMIE S. MANUEL, SECRETARY
LOUISIANA STATE-MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Authority to Advertise Tracts for the June 14, 2023 Lease Sale

### **RESOLUTION #23-04-002**

(NOMINATION AND TRACT REPORT)

WHEREAS, Mr. Greg Roberts reported that two (2) tracts were nominated for the June 14, 2023 Mineral Lease Sale, and requested that same be advertised pending staff review;

**ON MOTION** of **Ms. Leblanc**, seconded by **Mr. Young**, the following recommendation was offered and unanimously adopted by the Board after discussion and careful consideration:

That the State Mineral and Energy Board grant approval to advertise all such tract(s) for the June 14, 2023 Mineral Lease Sale;

**NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the State Mineral and Energy Board does hereby approve and authorize the advertising of all such tracts received by the staff of the Office of Mineral Resources, as well as any tracts that were previously advertised and rolled over, and to otherwise approve the Nomination and Tract Report.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of April, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of said Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### Resolution #23-04-003 (AUDIT REPORT)

Blue Dome Operating, LLC Recoupment

WHEREAS, Blue Dome Operating, LLC has made a letter of application for an adjustment of \$265,654.65 for the Greenwood-Waskom #4313 Field, State Lease 21827; and

WHEREAS, this amount was based on Blue Dome Operating, LLC submitting an overpayment of royalties based on over-reported sales volumes for the period December 2022 in the Greenwood-Waskom #4313 Field; and

WHEREAS, the Mineral Income Division has verified that an overpayment in the amount of \$265,654.65 was made and that the applicant is entitled to a credit adjustment; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Mineral and Energy Board after reviewing the work of the Mineral Income Division, agrees that the applicant is entitled to an adjustment, does recommend that the State allow Blue Dome Operating, LLC to recoup the \$265,654.65 overpayment.

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Vorhoff seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, after discussion and careful consideration the following recommendation was offered and adopted by the Board;

**NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the Board does authorize and direct the Mineral Income Director to effectuate the credit adjustment of \$265,654.65 to Blue Dome Operating, LLC on a one-time or lump sum basis or on such terms deemed necessary by the Director, which are legally permissible, and without prejudice to any other rights of the state.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Louisiana State Mineral and Penergy Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### Resolution #23-04-004 (AUDIT REPORT)

Comstock Oil & Gas Louisiana Recoupment

WHEREAS, Comstock Oil & Gas Louisiana has made a letter of application for an adjustment of \$838,305.00 for the Swan Lake #8823 Field, State Lease 20035; and

WHEREAS, this amount was based on Comstock Oil & Gas Louisiana submitting an overpayment of royalties based on incorrect gas pricing for the period June 2022 in the Swan Lake #8823 Field; and

WHEREAS, the Mineral Income Division has verified that an overpayment in the amount of \$822,978.30 was made and that the applicant is entitled to a credit adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the State Mineral and Energy Board after reviewing the work of the Mineral Income Division, agrees that the applicant is entitled to an adjustment, does recommend that the State allow Comstock Oil & Gas Louisiana to recoup the \$822,978.30 overpayment.

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Hollinshead seconded by Mr. Vorhoff, after discussion and careful consideration the following recommendation was offered and adopted by the Board;

**NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the Board does authorize and direct the Mineral Income Director to effectuate the credit adjustment of \$822,978.30 to Comstock Oil & Gas Louisiana on a one-time or lump sum basis or on such terms deemed necessary by the Director, which are legally permissible, and without prejudice to any other rights of the state.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board and is now in full force and effect.

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### RESOLUTION # 23-04-005 (AUDIT REPORT)

Martin Energy LLC Re: Demand unpaid outstanding late royalty penalty billings

WHEREAS, a request was made by Staff for the State Mineral and Energy Board to authorize the Attorney General's Office to place Martin Energy LLC on demand for late payment of royalty;

WHEREAS, the State Mineral and Energy Board caused a billing letter issuance to Martin Energy LLC regarding late payments of royalty for the periods of January 2022 and June 2022 under State Lease Nos. A0392 and 21695 in the Empire field and determined that Martin Energy LLC owes the State some \$641.27 in penalties;

WHEREAS, the Staff of the Office of Mineral Resources has been unable to resolve and settle the outstanding penalty billings with Martin Energy LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Staff of the Office of Mineral Resources, upon thorough review and consideration, recommended that the foregoing request be approved by the State Mineral and Energy Board;

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Hollenshead, seconded by Mr. Vorhoff, the following Resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by the State Mineral and Energy Board:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Mineral and Energy Board does hereby authorize the Attorney General's Office to place Martin Energy LLC, and any affiliated parties or parties associated with the leases, on demand.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Attorney General's office is authorized to file suit for unpaid penalties should compliance with the demand request not be made within a reasonable time.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023 of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of the State Mineral and Energy Board and is now in full force and effect.

JAMIE S. MANUEL, SECRETARY State Mineral and Energy Board

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### **RESOLUTION #23-04-006**

(LEGAL & TITLE CONTROVERSY REPORT)

Request by Staff to remove the water bottom known as "Little River" in Rapides and LaSalle Parishes from commerce.

WHEREAS, the State Mineral and Energy Board received a request by Staff to remove the water bottom known as "Little River" in Rapides and LaSalle Parishes from commerce; and

WHEREAS, the Staff reported that this water bottom was further defined by the 9th JDC of Louisiana within Civil Suit Number 223,262 and as depicted within Exhibit A which was attached to the report; and

**WHEREAS,** in response to this request, OMR Staff offered the following recommendation for consideration by the State Mineral and Energy Board:

That the Board grant the Staff authority to remove this acreage from commerce.

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Harris, seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, after discussion and careful consideration, the following Resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by the Board:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Mineral and Energy Board hereby grants authority to the Staff to remove the water bottom known as "Little River" located in Rapides and LaSalle Parishes from commerce.

### CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 12th day of April, 2023 of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice and in compliance with law, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

JAMIE S. MANUEL, SECRETARY
STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### **RESOLUTION #23-04-007**

(LEGAL & TITLE CONTROVERSY REPORT)

Staff authority to utilize authority granted to Board to negotiate and enter into operating agreements for wind energy development and production, instead of, and in lieu of, utilizing authority to enter into leases for wind energy development and production.

**WHEREAS**, the State Mineral and Energy Board received a request that in addition to the authority to enter into leases for wind energy development and production pursuant to La. R.S. 30:124, La. R.S. 30:209 (4)(a) also grants the State Mineral and Energy Board authority to enter into operating agreements whereby the State receives a share of revenues from the production of wind energy; and

WHEREAS, the Staff reports that after a thorough review of the current regulations, statutes and other issues pertaining to the question of whether to utilize the authority for entering into leases for wind energy or the authority for entering into operating agreements for wind energy, Staff is requesting authority to utilize the authority granted to the State Mineral and Energy Board to negotiate and enter into operating agreements for wind energy development and production, instead of, and in lieu of, utilizing the authority to enter into leases for wind energy development and production; and

**WHEREAS**, the Staff of the Office of Mineral Resources, upon thorough review and consideration, recommends that the foregoing request be approved by the Board.

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Vorhoff, seconded by Mr. Young, the following Resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by the State Mineral and Energy Board:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board does hereby grant authority to the Staff of the Office of Mineral Resources to utilize the authority granted to the State Mineral and Energy Board to negotiate and enter into operating agreements for wind energy development and production, instead of, and in lieu of, utilizing the authority to enter into leases for wind energy development and production.

### CERTIFICATE

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STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

# Resolution #23-04-008 (DOCKET)

On motion of <u>Ms. Michaud-Dugas</u>, seconded by <u>Mr. Hollenshead</u>, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item A from the April 12, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being an Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease from the Vermilion Parish School Board, dated July 21, 2022, awarded to Woodland Petroleum Corporation, covering lands located in all of Section 16, Township 17 South, Range 2 East, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, containing 561 acres, more or less, with further contractual obligations being more enumerated in the instrument.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of April, 2023 pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

#### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### Resolution #23-04-009 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 1 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Breton Sound Holdings, LLC to Breton Sound Holdings II, LLC, an undivided 2.0% of 8/8ths interest in and to State Lease Nos. 17774, 17775, 18284, 18292 and 18356, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

<u>Breton Sound Holdings, LLC</u> is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Roard:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind:
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of May, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### Resolution #23-04-010 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 2 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Chesapeake Louisiana, L.P. and Chesapeake Plains, LLC to Comstock Oil & Gas-Louisiana, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 11855, Bossier and Caddo Parishes, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

Comstock Oil & Gas-Louisiana, LLC is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Roard:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof:
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of May, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### Resolution #23-04-011 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 3 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Sunland Production Company, Inc. to GRIT Operating, L.L.C., of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 18182, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, LIMITED TO the shallow rights, defined as all formations lying above the measured depth of 10,150', with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

<u>GRIT Operating, L.L.C.</u> is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind:
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of May, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### Resolution #23-04-012 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 4 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from GRIT Operating, L.L.C. to Endurance Operating, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 18182, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, **LIMITED TO** the shallow rights, defined as all formations lying above the measured depth of 10,150', with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

Endurance Operating, LLC is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind:
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of May, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.



### Resolution #23-04-013 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 5 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Sunland Production Company, Inc. to TD Resources, L.L.C., of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 17946, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS said lease covers and affects those lands that are included and within the confines of the CV RA SU102, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

TD Resources, L.L.C. is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the <u>12th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.



### Resolution #23-04-014 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 6 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from TD Resources, L.L.C. to GRIT Operating, L.L.C., of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 17946, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS said lease covers and affects those lands that are included and within the confines of the CV RA SU102, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

<u>GRIT Operating, L.L.C.</u> is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of May, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.



### Resolution #23-04-015 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 7 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from GRIT Operating, L.L.C. to Endurance Operating, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 17946, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS said lease covers and affects those lands that are included and within the confines of the CV RA SU102, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

Endurance Operating, LLC is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

### CERTIFICATE

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### Resolution #23-04-016 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 8 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Sunland Production Company, Inc. to TD Resources, L.L.C., of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 17877, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS said lease covers and affects those lands that are included and within the confines of the CV RA SU87, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

TD Resources, L.L.C. is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind:
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the <u>12th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.



### Resolution #23-04-017 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 9 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from TD Resources, L.L.C. to GRIT Operating, L.L.C., of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 17877, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS said lease covers and affects those lands that are included and within the confines of the CV RA SU87, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

<u>GRIT Operating, L.L.C.</u> is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind:
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the <u>12th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.



### Resolution #23-04-018 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 10 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from GRIT Operating, L.L.C. to Endurance Operating, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 17877, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS said lease covers and affects those lands that are included and within the confines of the CV RA SU87, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

<u>Endurance Operating, LLC</u> is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of May, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.



### Resolution #23-04-019 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 11 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Pride Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. to Sulphur River Exploration, Inc., of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 22057, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument

<u>Sulphur River Exploration, Inc.</u> is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof:
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the <u>12th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

# Resolution #23-04-020 (DOCKET)

On motion of <u>Ms. Michaud-Dugas</u>, seconded by <u>Mr. Hollenshead</u>, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 12 from the April 12, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being a Correction of Resolution #23-01-018, Docket Item No. 11, from the January 11, 2023 Meeting, being an Assignment from Starks Oil Corporation to PEO Haynesville Holdco, LLC, whereas said resolution is hereby being corrected to read..."An Assignment from Starks Oil Corporation to Aethon United BR LP, an undivided 90% interest and PEO Haynesville Holdco, LLC, an undivided 10% interest", affecting State Lease No. 22092, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the <a href="12th\_day">12th\_day</a> of <a href="April">April</a>, 2023 pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.



### Resolution #23-04-021 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 13 from the April 12 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Woodland Petroleum Corporation to SFWBP, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease Nos. 22069, 22072 and Operating Agreement "A0397", Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

<u>SFWBP, LLC</u> is designated as the joint account Lessee (contact company) pursuant to State Mineral and Energy Board Resolution dated September 10, 1975.

This approval is expressly granted and accepted subject to certain conditions in the absence of which conditions approval of said instrument would not have been given as follows:

- 1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;
- 2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board:
- 3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;
- 4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;
- 5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and
- 6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

#### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the <u>12th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2023, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

## Resolution #23-04-022 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 23-08 from the April 12, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being a Lease Amendment by and between the State of Louisiana, acting through its agency, The Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board and Fort Apache Energy, Inc., whereas said parties desire to extend the primary term for one (1) year from May 8, 2023 to May 8, 2024, affecting State Lease No. 21908, Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of April, 2023 pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

## Resolution #23-04-023 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 23-09 from the April 12, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being a Lease Amendment by and between the State of Louisiana, acting through its agency, The Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board and Fort Apache Energy, Inc., whereas said parties desire to extend the primary term for one (1) year from May 8, 2023 to May 8, 2024, affecting State Lease No. 21909, Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of April, 2023 pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

# Resolution #23-04-024 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. Michaud-Dugas, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 23-10 from the April 12, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being a Lease Amendment by and between the State of Louisiana, acting through its agency, The Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board and Fort Apache Energy, Inc., whereas said parties desire to extend the primary term for one (1) year from May 8, 2023 to May 8, 2024, affecting State Lease No. 21910, Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of April, 2023 pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### Resolution #23-04-025 (DOCKET)

On motion of <u>Ms. Michaud-Dugas</u>, seconded by <u>Mr. Hollenshead</u>, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 23-11 from the April 12, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being a Unitization Agreement by and between the State Mineral and Energy Board, for and on behalf of the State of Louisiana, Petrochief International, Inc., H. Elliott Barrett, Jr. and Farmhouse Energy Ventures, LLC, to create a 134.56 acre unit, more or less, being identified as the "South Pass Block 6 Field VUA", with 85.67 acres being attributable to State Lease No. 22013, 13.79 acres being attributable to State Lease No. 22020 and 35.10 acres being attributable to State Lease No. 22052, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th day of April, 2023 pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### **RESOLUTION #23-04-026**

(LEGAL & TITLE CONTROVERSY REPORT)

Request by Staff to conduct public hearing in ref to entering OA with Castex Carbon Solutions, LLC for storage of carbon dioxide.

WHEREAS, a request was received from Staff, pursuant to La. R.S. 30:209(4)(e), for authority to conduct a public hearing in Cameron Parish pursuant to La. R.S. 30:6, for consideration of entering into an Operating Agreement with Castex Carbon Solutions, LLC (Castex) for the storage of carbon dioxide upon and beneath State owned lands and water-bottoms (Public Hearing); and

WHEREAS, Staff reported that together with the public notice that will be advertised by Staff in relation to the Public Hearing, Staff also requested authority to advertise a public notice regarding the possibility of entering into the Operating Agreement with Castex to store carbon dioxide beneath the same State owned lands and water-bottoms and directing an interested party to present an offer covering these lands and water-bottoms prior to the Public Hearing in order for that offer to be considered by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Staff further reports that the date of the public hearing and the specific areas to be covered by the proposed Operating Agreement will be set forth in the public notice; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to this request, OMR Staff offered the following recommendation for consideration by the Board:

That the Board approve Staff's request for the aforementioned.

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Young, seconded by Ms. Michaud-Dugas, after discussion and careful consideration, the following Resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by the Board:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Mineral and Energy Board hereby approves Staff's requests as stated above.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 12th day of April, 2023 of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice and in compliance with law, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of said Board and is now in full force and effect.

JAMIE'S. MANUEL, SECRETARY
STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

**RESOLUTION #23-04-027** 

(EXECUTIVE SESSION)

Executive Session Discussion Re: S2 Energy Operating, L.L.C., et al., Docket No. 23-10066, Eastern District of Louisiana Bankruptcy Court

**WHEREAS**, a discussion in Executive Session of a possible resolution of State mineral claims in the matter of In re: S2 Energy Operating, L.L.C., et al., Docket No. 23-10066, Eastern District of Louisiana Bankruptcy Court was held; and

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Vorhoff, seconded by Mr. Hollenshead, the following Resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by the State Mineral and Energy Board:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Mineral and Energy Board does hereby grant authority to the Staff and the Attorney General's office to proceed and resolve that component of the case as discussed in Executive Session.

### **CERTIFICATE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 12th day of April, 2023 of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of the State Mineral and Energy Board and is now in full force and effect.

JAMIE'S. MANUEL, SECRETARY
State Mineral and Energy Board