

THOMAS F. HARRIS SECRETARY

### State of Louisiana

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

#### REGULAR MEETING

#### **DECEMBER 13, 2023**

The Regular Meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board was held on **Wednesday, December 13, 2023**, beginning at 9:41 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
Thomas F. Harris, DNR Secretary
J. Todd Hollenshead
Robert D. Watkins
Thomas L. Arnold, Jr.
Willie J. Young, Sr.
Harvey "Ned" White
Rochelle A. Michaud-Dugas
Darryl D. Smith (arrived at 10:10 a.m.)
Isabel A. Englehart, Governor John Bel Edwards Designee

The following members were recorded as absent:

#### None

Chairman Segura announced that a quorum 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 NOVEMBER 8, 2023 MINUTES

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

A motion was made by Mr. Harris to adopt the November 8, 2023 Minutes as submitted, and to waive reading said minutes in entirety. His motion was seconded by Mr. Arnold 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
- b) **Nomination and Tract Report** Presented by Greg Roberts, Petroleum Lands Director, Geology, Engineering and Land Division
- c) Audit Report Presented by Taletha Shorter, 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

<sup>\*</sup> Resolutions are in chronological order at the end of the minutes.

#### a) LEASE REVIEW REPORT DECEMBER 13, 2023

#### I. GEOLOGICAL AND ENGINEERING STAFF REVIEW

According to the SONRIS database, there are 974 active State Leases containing approximately 413,427 acres. Since the last Lease Review Report, the Geological and Engineering Division reviewed 111 leases covering approximately 23,850 acres for lease maintenance and development.

#### II. BOARD REVIEW

1. A Staff Report was given by Mr. Jason Talbot on State Lease No. 173 located in Caddo Pine Island Field, Caddo Parish, Louisiana

Mr. Talbot reported that the State Mineral and Energy Board (Board) last reviewed this lease on May 11, 2022 and approved an assignment from Gemini Exploration to Henergy Caddo Pine Island, Inc. (Henergy) with the following conditions:

- Henergy's acknowledgment that the State has a claim for reasonable development and the right of the State to require a release of certain acreage;
- Within eighteen (18) months, that Henergy provide a report to the Board of their lease activities and their plans for future development;
- The Board will evaluate all information presented by Staff and Henergy and decide whether to enforce the claim to reasonable development and require release of the certain acreage; and
- That Henergy continue to plug and abandon wells annually within the lease that are incapable of producing.

Staff recommended that the Board enforce the claim to reasonable development and require the release of the acreage previously identified at the May 11, 2022 Board Meeting and, in addition, within six (6) months, that Henergy submit a report on their plugged and abandonment activities of nine (9) wells referenced in their December 11, 2023 lease report.

Upon motion of Mr. Watkins, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc and by unanimous vote of the Board, the Board accepted Staff's recommendation that the claim to reasonable development be completed across the lease within the next twelve (12) months and that Henergy Caddo Pine Island, Inc. get back on schedule with the prior requested plugging of five (5) wells per year. Comments were received from Michael Riddick with Blanchard, Walker, O'Quin and Roberts,

APLC, and Christopher Haas, a principal of Henergy Caddo Pine Island, Inc. (Resolution No. 23-12-001)

#### III. FORCE MAJEURE

1. Mr. Talbot reported that in accordance with the authority granted to the Staff by the Board, the Staff recognized force majeure for the following leases and lessees:

Company	State Leases	Parish(es)	Cause/Incident
Torrent Gulf Coast LLC	1227, 15536, and 16569	Plaquemines	Field compressor failed.
Torrent Gulf Coast LLC	16432	Plaquemines	Storm moved facility barge.
Key Operating, Inc.	16170, 16299, 16300, 16372, 17277, 17278, 17279, 18043, 18194	Saint Bernard	Field compressor failed.

Mr. Talbot reported that the information provided was for review of the Board and that no action was necessary on this item.

#### b) NOMINATION AND TRACT REPORT December 13, 2023 (Resolution No. 23-12-002)

The Board heard the report of Mr. Greg Roberts on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, relative to nominations received in the Office of Mineral Resources for the February 14, 2024 Mineral Lease Sale and other matters.

Based upon Staff's recommendation, and on motion of **Ms. Michaud-Dugas**, duly seconded by **Ms. LeBlanc**, 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. 23-12-002)** 

#### c) AUDIT REPORT DECEMBER 13, 2023

The first matter on the audit report was the election of the December 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 DECEMBER 13, 2023 (Resolution Nos. 23-12-003 through 23-12-005)

After unanimous vote of the Board and upon motion of Mr. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Smith, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted Staff's request to discuss the matters in this report after Executive Session was held. There were no comments from the public on this matter.

The first matter considered by the State Mineral and Energy Board (Board) was a request for final approval of an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Cajun Wind LLC for the rights to develop wind energy for the production of electricity on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in the West Cameron Area, Revised, Blocks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 34 in Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

After unanimous vote of the Board and upon motion of Mr. Hollenshead, seconded by Mr. Arnold, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted final approval of an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Cajun Wind LLC for the rights to develop wind energy for the production of electricity on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in the West Cameron Area, Revised, Blocks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 34 in Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Comments were received from William O'Neal, Vice President of Lands, Denbury, LLC and Marjorie McKeithen, Attorney with Jones Walker representing Cajun Wind, LLC. (Resolution No. 23-12-003)

The second matter considered by the Board was a request for final approval of an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and DOW LA Gulf Wind, LLC for the rights to develop wind energy for the production of electricity on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in the South Timbalier Area, Revised, Blocks 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 in Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, Louisiana.

After unanimous vote of the Board and upon motion of Mr. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Young, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted final approval of an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and DOW LA Gulf Wind, LLC for the rights to develop wind energy for the production of electricity on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in the South Timbalier Area, Revised, Blocks 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 in Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, Louisiana. There were no comments from the public on this matter. (**Resolution No. 23-12-004**)

The third matter considered by the Board was a request by Staff to amend the Legal and Title Report to include a request for authority from the Board to hold a public hearing regarding an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Strategic Biofuels, LLC for the sequestration of carbon beneath State owned lands and water bottoms in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.

After unanimous vote of the Board and upon motion of Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Smith, the State Mineral and Energy Board approved the request by Staff to amend the Legal and Title Report to include a request for authority from the Board to hold a public hearing regarding an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Strategic Biofuels, LLC for the sequestration of carbon beneath State owned lands and water bottoms in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana. There were no comments from the public on this matter.

After unanimous vote of the Board and upon motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Watkins, the State Mineral and Energy Board approved the request by Staff for authority from the Board to hold a public hearing regarding an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Strategic Biofuels, LLC for the sequestration of carbon beneath State owned lands and water bottoms in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana. There were no comments from the public on this matter. (**Resolution No. 23-12-005**)

# e) DOCKET REVIEW REPORT December 13, 2023 (Resolution No(s). 23-12-006 thru 23-12-012)

The Board heard the report from Greg Roberts on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, relative to the following:

Category A: State Agency Leases

There were no items for this category

Category B: State Lease Transfers

Docket Item Nos. 1 thru 5

Category C: Department of Wildlife & Fisheries State Agency Lease

There were no items for this category

Category D: Advertised Proposals

Docket Item Nos. 1 and 2

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

Category B: State Lease Transfers

Docket Item Nos. 1 thru 5

(Resolution Nos. 23-12-006 thru 23-12-010)

Category D: Advertised Proposals

Docket Item Nos. 1 and 2

(Resolution Nos. 23-12-011 and 23-12-012)

#### VI. PRESENTATION BY MR. BOB MEREDITH

A presentation by Mr. Bob Meredith with Strategic Biofuels LLC regarding a request for an operation agreement for carbon capture and sequestration on and under State water bottoms in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana

#### VII. 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.

Upon motion of Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. White, the Board Members went into Executive Session at 10:57 a.m.

Upon motion of Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Arnold, the Board reconvened in open session at 12:19 p.m. for consideration of the following matters discussed in Executive Session:

These items were discussed in Open Session after the Board awarded the leases and discussed the items on the Legal & Title Report. A motion was made by Mr. Hollenshead, seconded by Mr. Young, to return to the Legal & Title Report after the the awarding of the leases was held.

a. 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.

b. Technical Briefing on Bids

#### VIII. AWARDING OF LEASES

The Chairman called on Mr. Jason Talbot to present Staff's recommendations to the Board:

Staff reported there were twenty (20) tracts up for bid at today's lease sale. Sixteen (16) Bids were received on fourteen (14) of the tracts. Staff reported that all sixteen (16) bids were acceptable and recommended that leases be awarded on all bids received.

Upon motion of Mr. Arnold, and seconded by Mr. Watkins, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following bid(s) and award lease(s) on the following tract(s):

#### **Tract 45686**

(Entire: 519 acres)

Bidder CYPRESS ENERGY PARTNERS, LLC

**Primary Term** Three (3) years Cash Payment \$1,089,900.00 Annual Rental \$544,950.00

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

#### Additional Consideration:

The Prospective Leaseholder, or its assigns, will include Tract Nos. 45686 and 45687 in a unit to be formed for the Haynesville Zone, in Shreveport Field, so that the State participation in such unit will comprise at least approximately ninety (90%) percent of the total unit. This unit will comprise all of Section 33 and the portion of Section 28 lying South of HA RA SUB, all in Township 18 North, Range 14 West. Caddo Parish, Louisiana (the current HA RA sue will be dissolved to create one unit for this acreage to maximize the State's participation).

#### Tract 45687

(Entire: 88 acres)

Bidder CYPRESS ENERGY PARTNERS, LLC

**Primary Term** Three (3) years Cash Payment \$184,800.00 Annual Rental \$92,400.00

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

#### Additional Consideration:

The Prospective Leaseholder, or its assigns, will include Tract Nos. 45686 and 45687 in a unit to be formed for the Haynesville Zone, in Shreveport Field, so that the State participation in such unit will comprise at least approximately ninety (90%) percent of the total unit. This unit will comprise all of Section 33 and the portion of Section 28 lying South of HA RA SUB, all in Township 18 North, Range 14 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana (the current HA RA SUC will be dissolved to create one unit for this acreage to maximize the State's participation).

#### Tract 45691

(Entire: 9 acres)

Bidder MARK A. O'NEAL & ASSOCIATES, INC.

**Primary Term** Three (3) years Cash Payment \$22,500.00 **Annual Rental** \$11,250.00

**Royalties** 25% on oil and gas

25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration None

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Tract 45692(1)

(Portion: 3 acres)

Bidder : MARK A. O'NEAL & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Primary Term : Three (3) years Cash Payment : \$7,500.00 Annual Rental : \$3,750.00

Royalties : 25% on oil and gas : 25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

<u>Tract 45692(2)</u> (Portion: 16 acres)

Bidder : MARK A. O'NEAL & ASSOCIATES, INC.

 Primary Term
 :
 Three (3) years

 Cash Payment
 :
 \$40,000.00

 Annual Rental
 :
 \$20,000.00

 Royalties
 :
 25% on oil and gas

 :
 25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

**Tract 45693** 

(Entire: 14.220 acres)

Bidder : MARK A. O'NEAL & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$31,995.00
Annual Rental : \$15,997.50
Royalties : 25% on oil and gas

: 25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

**Tract 45694** 

(Entire: 174 acres)

Bidder : SUNLAND PRODUCTION CO., INC.

Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$37,410.00
Annual Rental : \$18,705.00

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

Additional Consideration : None

Tract 45695

(Portion: 8 acres)

Bidder : PRIDE OIL & GAS PROPERTIES, INC.

Cash Payment : \$2,008.00 Annual Rental : \$1,004.00

Royalties : 20% on oil and gas : 20% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

#### **Tract 45697**

(Portion: 965.1 acres)

Bidder : SMTP ENERGY, LLC
Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$313,657.50
Annual Rental : \$156,828.75
Royalties : 22% on oil and gas
: 22% on other minerals

#### Additional Consideration:

Bidder

As additional consideration for the State Mineral and Energy Board awarding a lease on this bid, SMTP Energy, LLC (SMTP) offers the following:

1. Within one hundred eighty (180) days from the effective date of such lease, SMTP will cause a contract operator to make application to the Louisiana Office of Conservation (LA OOC) to become the Operator of Record of the VUA; SL 20482 Well No. I (SN 2I 8826) (Well), which well is located on the lands covered by this bid. The Wen was formerly operated by Poydras Energy Partners, LLC, and has been "Orphaned" by the LA OOC. Thereafter, within nine (9) months of becoming the Operator of Record, SMTP will cause its contract operator to commence good faith operations on the Well in an attempt to return the well to production.

In the event SMTP fails to cause its contract operator to make application to become the Operator of Record, SMTP will, within thirty (30) days from the end of said one hundred eighty-day (180) day period pay the State of Louisiana, as liquidated damages, the sum of\$25,000.00.

Further, In the event SMTP's contract operator becomes the Operator of Record but fails to commence good faith operations on the Well in an attempt to return the well to production, unless said operations are delayed by the occurrence of Force Majeure or Suspending Event, as defined in Article 5 of the current state lease form, or otherwise deemed impractical or unfeasible for reasons beyond the control of SMTP or its contract Operator, SMTP wi11, within thirty (30) days from the end of said nine (9) month period pay the State of Louisiana, as liquidated damages, the sum of \$25,000.00.

2. Within the first year of the primary term of such lease, subject to delays caused by the occurrence of Force Majeure or Suspending Event, as defined in Article 5 of the current state lease form, SMTP will commence or cause to be commenced commercially reasonable efforts for the drilling of a test well (*Test Well*) on the leased acreage and thereafter prosecute such drilling in a good and workmanlike manner to a depth of approximately 10,500 feet TVD, or a depth sufficient to test the Miocene Sand Sections as may be found on the leased acreage.

In the event SMTP fails to commence or cause to be commenced the Test Well, SMTP will, within thirty (30) days after the first anniversary date of such lease, pay the State of Louisiana, as liquidated damages, the sum of \$75,000.00.

#### <u>Tract 45699(1)</u> (Portion: 54 acres)

: HILCORP ENERGY I, L.P.

Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$11,880.00
Annual Rental : \$5,940.00

Royalties : 21% on oil and gas

21% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

#### **Tract 45699(2)**

(Portion: 37 acres)

Bidder : HILCORP ENERGY I, L.P.

Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$8,140.00
Annual Rental : \$4,070.00

Royalties : 21% on oil and gas : 21% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

#### **Tract 45701**

(Entire: 18.410 acres)

Bidder : USG PROPERTIES HAYNESVILLE, LLC

Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$65,355.50
Annual Rental : \$32,677.75

Royalties : 25% on oil and gas

: 25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

#### **Tract 45702**

(Entire: 106.33 Gross/53.160 Net)

Bidder : USG PROPERTIES HAYNESVILLE, LLC

Primary Term : Three (3) years
Cash Payment : \$188,718.00
Annual Rental : \$94,359.00
Royalties : 25% on oil and gas

: 25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

#### **Tract 45703**

(Entire: 47.390)

Bidder : USG PROPERTIES HAYNESVILLE, LLC

 Primary Term
 :
 Three (3) years

 Cash Payment
 :
 \$168,234.50

 Annual Rental
 :
 \$84,117.25

Royalties : 25% on oil and gas

: 25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration : None

#### <u>Tract 45704</u>

(Entire: 291.7728)

Bidder USG PROPERTIES HAYNESVILLE, LLC

**Primary Term** Three (3) years Cash Payment \$1,385,920.80 Annual Rental \$692,960.40 Royalties 25% on oil and gas

25% on other minerals

Additional Consideration None

#### **Tract 45705**

(Entire: 180.6948 Gross/90.3474 Net)

Bidder USG PROPERTIES HAYNESVILLE, LLC

**Primary Term** Three (3) years Cash Payment \$429,150.15 **Annual Rental** \$214,575.08 **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.

#### IX. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

#### X. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

#### XII. 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 12:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

#### LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

#### **RESOLUTION #23-12-001**

(LEASE REVIEW REPORT)

WHEREAS, on motion of Mr. Watkins, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc, the following resolution was offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. Jason Talbot reported that the State Mineral and Energy Board (Board) last reviewed State Lease No. 173 on May 11, 2022 and approved an assignment from Gemini Exploration to Henergy Caddo Pine Island, Inc. (Henergy) with the following conditions:

- Henergy's acknowledgment that the State has a claim for reasonable development and the right of the State to require a release of certain acreage;
- Within eighteen (18) months, that Henergy provide a report to the Board of their lease activities and their plans for future development;
- The Board will evaluate all information presented by Staff and Henergy and decide whether to enforce the claim to reasonable development and require release of the certain acreage; and
- That Henergy continue to plug and abandon wells annually within the lease that are incapable of producing.

WHEREAS, the Staff recommended that the Board enforce the claim to reasonable development and require the release of the acreage previously identified at the May 11, 2022 Board Meeting and, in addition, within six (6) months, that Henergy submit a report on their plugged and abandonment activities of nine (9) wells referenced in their December 11, 2023 lease report.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the State Mineral and Energy Board accepts Staff's recommendation that the claim to reasonable development be completed across State Lease No. 173 within the next twelve (12) months and that Henergy Caddo Pine Island, Inc. get back on schedule with the prior requested plugging of five (5) wells per year.

#### CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 13th day of December, 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.

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Authority to Advertise Tracts for the February 14, 2024 Lease Sale

#### **RESOLUTION #23-12-002**

(NOMINATION AND TRACT REPORT)

WHEREAS, Mr. Greg Roberts reported that six (6) tracts were nominated for the February 14, 2024 Mineral Lease Sale, and requested that same be advertised pending staff review;

**ON MOTION** of **Ms. Michaud-Dugas**, seconded by **Ms. LeBlanc**, 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 February 14, 2024 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 13th day of December, 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 #23-12-003**

(LEGAL & TITLE CONTROVERSY REPORT)

Operating Agreement Approval-Cajun Wind LLC to develop wind energy for electricity production on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in West Cameron Area, Revised, Blocks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 34 in Cameron Parish. La.

WHEREAS, the State Mineral and Energy Board received a request for final approval of an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Cajun Wind LLC for the rights to develop wind energy for the production of electricity on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in the West Cameron Area, Revised, Blocks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 34 in Cameron Parish, Louisiana; and

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Hollenshead, seconded by Mr. Arnold, after discussion and careful consideration in Executive Session, the following Resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by the Board:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Mineral and Energy Board approves the request for final approval of an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Cajun Wind LLC for the rights to develop wind energy for the production of electricity on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in the West Cameron Area, Revised, Blocks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 34 in Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

#### **CERTIFICATE**

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JAMIE S. MANUEL, SECRETARY
STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

#### **RESOLUTION #23-12-004**

(LEGAL & TITLE CONTROVERSY REPORT)

Operating Agreement Approval – DOW LA Gulf Wind, LLC to develop wind energy for electricity production on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in South Timbalier Area, Revised, Blocks 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 in Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, La.

WHEREAS, the State Mineral and Energy Board received a request for final approval of an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and DOW LA Gulf Wind, LLC for the rights to develop wind energy for the production of electricity on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in the South Timbalier Area, Revised, Blocks 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 in Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, Louisiana; and

**ON MOTION** of Mr. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Young, after discussion and careful consideration in Executive Session, the following Resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by the Board:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Mineral and Energy Board approves the request for final approval of an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and DOW LA Gulf Wind, LLC for the rights to develop wind energy for the production of electricity on portions of state owned offshore water bottoms in the South Timbalier Area, Revised, Blocks 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 in Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, Louisiana.

#### **CERTIFICATE**

*I HEREBY CERTIFY* that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 13th day of December, 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 #23-12-005**

(LEGAL & TITLE CONTROVERSY REPORT)

Request by Staff to conduct public hearing in ref to entering OA with Strategic Biofuels, LLC for storage of carbon dioxide in Caldwell Parish, La.

WHEREAS, the State Mineral and Energy (Board) received a request by Staff to amend the December 13, 2023 Legal and Title Report to include a request for authority from the Board to hold a public hearing regarding an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Strategic Biofuels, LLC (Strategic) for the sequestration of carbon beneath State owned lands and water bottoms in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana (Public Hearing); and

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

The Board hereby approves the request by Staff to amend the December 13, 2023 Legal and Title Report to include a request for authority from the Board to hold a public hearing regarding an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Strategic Biofuels, LLC for the sequestration of carbon beneath State owned lands and water bottoms in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.

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 Strategic to store carbon dioxide beneath the same State owned lands and water-bottoms and directing any 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.

**ON MOTION** of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Watkins, the State Mineral and Energy Board 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 the request by Staff for authority to hold a public hearing regarding an Operating Agreement between the State of Louisiana and Strategic Biofuels, LLC for the sequestration of carbon beneath State owned lands and water bottoms in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.

#### **CERTIFICATE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 13th day of December 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 #23-12-006 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 1 from the December 13, 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Mark A. O'Neal & Associates, Inc. to Hilcorp Energy I, LP, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 22160, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

Hilcorp Energy I, LP 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 13th day of December, 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 #23-12-007 (DOCKET)

On motion of <u>Ms. LeBlanc</u>, seconded by <u>Mr. Smith</u>, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item 2 from the December 13, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being a Correction of Resolution No. 22-08-022 from the August 10, 2022 meeting, being a Merger whereby BP (WFS Operating) Inc., Winwell Resources, L.L.C., BPX (KCS Resources) LLC and BPX Properties (NA) LP are merging with and into BPX Operating Company, under the name of BPX Operating Company, whereas Operating Agreement "A0390" was omitted from said resolution and is hereby being added, Bienville and Bossier Parishes, 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 <u>13th</u> day of <u>December</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 #23-12-008 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 3 from the December 13, 2023 meeting be approved, said being An Assignment from Vine Energy Operating LP to Comstock Oil & Gas-Louisiana, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 19693, Red River Parish, Louisiana, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS it covers the HA RA SU79, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

Comstork 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 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 13th day of December, 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 #23-12-009 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 4 from the December 13, 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Pride Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. to Blue Moon Exploration Company, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State lease No. 22127, Acadia and Lafayette Parishes, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

<u>Blue Moon Exploration Company, 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>13th</u> day of <u>December</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 #23-12-010 (DOCKET)

On motion of Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 5 from the December 13, 2023 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Sunland Production Company, Inc. to the following in the proportions set out below:

Anderson Exploration Energy, LC	.20388350
Comella Interests LLC	.00970874
Jack T. Everett, LLC	.04854368
Huddleston Land Services, Inc.	.00970874
Pett4ts LLC	.00970874

in and to State Lease No. 17877, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS said lease covers and affects all formations lying below the measured depth of 10, 150' (Deep rights), with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

Anderson Exploration Energy, LC 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 13th day of December, 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 #23-12-011 (DOCKET)

On motion of <u>Ms. LeBlanc</u>, seconded by <u>Mr. Smith</u>, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item 23-29 from the December 13, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being an Operating Agreement by and between the State Mineral and Energy Board of the State of Louisiana, acting for and on behalf of the State of Louisiana and BPX Operating Company, to create an operating tract for the exploration and development of oil, gas and/or condensate and other liquid hydrocarbons, which proposal allocates to the state a State Production Interest equal to 25% before payout, increasing to 25.5% after payout, said operating tract containing 17.087 acres, more or less, Bossier 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 13th day of December, 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 #23-12-012 (DOCKET)

On motion of <u>Ms. LeBlanc</u>, seconded by <u>Mr. Smith</u>, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item 23-30 from the December 13, 2023 meeting be approved, said instrument being an Extrajudicial settlement of royalty allocations between the State of Louisiana and the "Hamel Family" (Hamel's Farm, L.L.C., Spokane Company, L.L.C., and J.M. Lemah, L.L.C.) in the HA RA SUE and HA RA SUX units in Bossier Parish, Louisiana, originating from a demand by the Hamel Family in 2018, affecting State Lease Nos. 19349 and 20030, Caddo and Bossier 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 <u>13th</u> day of <u>December</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.

Jamie S. Manuel, Secretary

**State Mineral and Energy Board**