

MF112096

<i>State Lease</i>	<i>Control</i>	<i>Base File</i>	<i>County</i>
MF112096	07-106071	128050	REEVES
MF112096	07-106080	131189	REEVES
MF112096	07-106099	128051	REEVES
MF112096	07-106106	128052	REEVES

Survey PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND
Block 59
Block Name
Township
Section/Tract 43, 44, 45
Land Part
Part Description N2 & SE4, SW4
Acres 1920
Depth Below *Depth Above* *Depth Other*

Name PETROHAWK PROPERTIES LP
Lease Date 1/11/2011
Primary Term 5 yrs
Bonus (\$) \$504,000.00
Rental (\$) \$0.00
Lease Royalty 0.1250

Leasing: De

Analyst: De

Maps: _____

GIS: MC

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10. Termination Letter - Leases A, B, C. 1/27/14

4th yr. Rental not paid

11 Release ABC 2-11-14

12. Termination Letter Lease D 5/5/14

13 Release D Ltr 6-27-14

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RAL REVIEW SHEET

Transaction # 7085

Geologist: R. Widmayer

Lessor: Meeker, L.H. and J. Wade Meeker, Co-Trustees Under The

Lease Date: 1/11/2011

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Lessee: Petrohawk Properties, LP

Gross Acres: 1920

Net Acres: 280

LEASE DESCRIPTION

County	PM#	Base File No	Part	Sec.	Block	Twp	Survey	Abst#
REEVES	07-106071	128050	N/2 & SE/4	43	59	00	PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND	4005
REEVES	07-106080	131189	SW/4	43	59	00	PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND	4204
REEVES	07-106099	128051	ALL	44	59	00	PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND	4006
REEVES	07-106106	128052	ALL	45	59	00	PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND	4007

TERMS OFFERED

Primary Term: 5 years

Bonus/Acre: \$1,200.00

Rental/Acre: \$1.00

Royalty: 1/4

TERMS RECOMMENDED

Primary Term: 5 years

Bonus/Acre: \$1,200.00

Rental/Acre: \$1.00

Royalty: 1/4

COMPARISONS

MF #	Lessee	Date	Term	Bonus/Ac.	Rental/Ac.	Royalty	Distance
MF105235	Dwight Snell & Associates	4/25/2005	5 years	\$150.00	\$1.00	1/5	Last Lease
Pending	Conoco Phillips Co.	12-15-10	5 yrs	\$1600.00	\$1.00	1/4	Adjacent North

Comments: 2nd and 3rd year rentals are paid up. 4th year rental will be \$1200.00 per acre and will pay up the 5th year.

Approved: TH 1/13/11

RELINQUISHMENT ACT LEASE APPLICATION

Texas General Land Office

Jerry Patterson, Commissioner

TO: Jerry Patterson, Commissioner
Larry Laine, Chief Clerk
Bill Warnick, General Counsel
Louis Renaud, Deputy Commissioner

DATE: 13-Jan-11

FROM: Robert Hatter, Director of Mineral Leasing
Tracey Throckmorton, Geoscience Manager

Applicant:	Petrohawk Properties, LP	County:	REEVES
Prim. Term:	5 years	Bonus/Acre	\$1,200.00
Royalty:	1/4	Rental/Acre	\$1.00

Consideration

Recommended: th Date: 1/13/11

Not Recommended: _____

Comments: 2nd and 3rd year rentals are paid up. 4th year rental will be \$1200.00 per acre and will pay up the 5th year.

Lease Form

Recommended: RAH Date: 1/26/11

Not Recommended: _____

Comments:

Louis Renaud, Deputy Commissioner Date: 2-7-11

Recommended: CLR

Not Recommended: _____

Bill Warnick, General Counsel Date: 2-10-11

Recommended: WFW

Not Recommended: _____

Larry Laine, Chief Clerk Date: 2/14/11

Approved: [Signature]

Not Approved: _____

Jerry Patterson, Commissioner Date: 02/16/2011

Approved: Jerry E. Patterson

Not Approved: _____

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RAL Review Sheet

Date Filed: 1/13/11

Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner

By EH

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EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, L.L.C.

7534

Commissioner of the General Land Office

Date	Type	Reference	Original Amt.	Balance Due	1/13/2011 Discount	Payment
1/13/2011	Bill	Meeker	504,000.00	504,000.00		504,000.00
				Check Amount		504,000.00



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S43,44,45 BLK 59, PSL Survey

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EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, L.L.C.CLIENT ACCOUNT
P.O. BOX 52105
LAFAYETTE, LA 70505-2105IBERIABANK
84-7041-2652

1/13/2011

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Commissioner of the General Land Office

\$**504,000.00

Five Hundred Four Thousand and 00/100*****

DOLLARS

Commissioner of the General Land Office
of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas

VOID AFTER 90 DAYS

MEMO

S43,44,45 BLK 59, PSL Survey

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, L.L.C.

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Received By:

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EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLC

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Commissioner of the General Land Office

5/17/2011

Date	Type	Reference	Original Amt.	Balance Due	Discount	Payment
5/17/2011	Bill	Filing&ProcessingFee	1,425.00	1,425.00		1,425.00
				Check Amount		1,425.00

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Iberia Bank

Filing Fee for 9 Leases & Processing Fee for 12

X 1,425.00

EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLC

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May 17, 2011

Via FedEx

Mr. Drew Reid
Texas General Land Office
1700 Congress Avenue
Stephen F. Austin Building, RM 847
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Oil, Gas and Mineral Leases
Reeves County, Texas

Dear Drew:

Enclosed herewith, please find nine (9) certified copies of leases, taken in the name of the State of Texas, in favor of Petrohawk Properties, LP, listed as follows:

<u>Lease No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Lessor</u>
ELS-0006C	01/13/2011	Terrell Jenkins King
ELS-0006O	01/17/2011	Lucy Carolyn King Perez
ELS-0006Z	01/17/2011	Jeffery Lynn Crouch
ELS-0007D	01/11/2011	The AWP 1983 Trust
ELS-0008A	01/18/2011	Walter Charles Greeman, et al
ELS-0008B	01/18/2011	Adelia M. Burris, et al
ELS-0008C	01/18/2011	Tammy Jo Hays, et al
ELS-0010D	01/19/2011	The AWP 1983 Trust
ELS-0012	01/21/2011	Dela Minerals, Inc.

Also enclosed, please find a check in the amount of \$1,425.00. This amount covers the filing fee for the 9 leases @ \$25/per lease and the processing fee for 12 tracts @ \$100/per tract, which covers all required fees associated with the above listed leases. Please be advised that the tracts covered by lease numbers ELS-0006, ELS-0007 & ELS-0010 were previously paid by check number 2625, issued April 29, 2011. I trust that you will not hesitate to call me with any questions that you may have concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Natalie Holeman

EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLCPO BOX 52105
LAFAYETTE, LA 70505-2105IBERIABANK
84-7041-2652

5/17/2011

PAY TO THE
ORDER OF Commissioner of the General Land Office

\$**1,425.00

One Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Five and 00/100***** DOLLARS

Commissioner of the General Land Office
of the State of Texas, at Austin, TX

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

MEMO

Filing Fee for 9 Leases & Processing Fee for 12 Trac

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EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLC

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Commissioner of the General Land Office

Date	Type	Reference	Original Amt.	Balance Due	5/17/2011 Discount	Payment
5/17/2011	Bill	Filing&ProcessingFee	1,425.00	1,425.00		1,425.00
				Check Amount		1,425.00

Received By:

Iberia Bank Filing Fee for 9 Leases & Processing Fee for 12 1,425.00

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Date	Type	Reference	Original Amt.	Balance Due	5/17/2011 Discount	Payment
5/17/2011	Bill	Filing&ProcessingFee	1,425.00	1,425.00		1,425.00
				Check Amount		1,425.00

Delaware Basin Leasing

Iberia Bank Filing Fee for 9 Leases & Processing Fee for 12 1,425.00

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Commissioner of the General Land Office

Date	Type	Reference	Original Amt.	Balance Due	8/16/2011	Discount	Payment
8/16/2011	Bill	Filing&ProcessingFee	250.00	250.00			250.00
						Check Amount	250.00

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Iberia Bank

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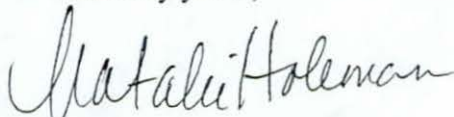
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Enclosed herewith, please find six (6) certified copies of leases, taken in the name of the State of Texas, in favor of Petrohawk Properties, LP, listed as follows:

<u>Lease No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Lessor</u>
ELS-0007B	01/11/2011	Meeker Investments, Inc. (Corrected copy)
ELS-0028A	06/20/2011	Ann Howard Lambert
ELS-0028B	06/20/2011	Willie Vee Haymon Bolinger, et al
ELS-0028C	06/20/2011	Alice Bolinger Harlow
ELS-0028D	06/20/2011	Clarence W. Bolinger, Jr.
ELS-0028E	06/20/2011	Helen Kay Bolinger Aaron Children's Trust

Also enclosed, please find a check in the amount of \$250.00. This amount covers the filing fee for the 6 leases @ \$25/per lease, and 1 tract @ \$100/per tract which covers all required fees associated with the above listed leases. Please be advised that the filing fees for the tracts under lease ELS-0007B was previously paid by check number 2627, issued April 29, 2011. I trust that you will not hesitate to call me with any questions that you may have concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Natalie Holeman

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Mr. Drew Reid
April 29, 2011
Page 2 of 2

Also enclosed, please find a check in the amount of \$1,975.00. This amount covers the filing fee for the 27 leases @ \$25/per lease and the processing fee for 13 tracts @ \$100/per tract, which covers all required fees associated with the above listed leases. I trust that you will not hesitate to call me with any questions that you may have concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,


Natalie Holeman

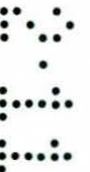
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EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLCPO BOX 52105
LAFAYETTE, LA 70505-2105IBERIABANK
84-7041-2652

4/29/2011

PAY TO THE
ORDER OF Commissioner of the General Land Office

\$**1,975.00

One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Five and 00/100***** DOLLARS

Commissioner of the General Land Office
of the State of Texas, at Austin, TX

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

MEMO

Filing Fee for 27 Leases & Processing Fee for 13 Tr

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EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLC

Commissioner of the General Land Office

Date	Type	Reference	Original Amt.	Balance Due	4/29/2011 Discount	Payment
4/29/2011	Bill	Filing&ProcessingFee	1,975.00	1,975.00		1,975.00
				Check Amount		1,975.00

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Received By:

Iberia Bank Filing Fee for 27 Leases & Processing Fee for 1 1,975.00

EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLC

Commissioner of the General Land Office

Date	Type	Reference	Original Amt.	Balance Due	4/29/2011 Discount	Payment
4/29/2011	Bill	Filing&ProcessingFee	1,975.00	1,975.00		1,975.00
				Check Amount		1,975.00

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PAYMENT
RECORD

Iberia Bank Filing Fee for 27 Leases & Processing Fee for 1 1,975.00

EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLC

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Commissioner of the General Land Office

6/14/2011

Date	Type	Reference	Original Amt.	Balance Due	Discount	Payment
6/14/2011	Bill	FilingFeefor4Leases	100.00	100.00		100.00
				Check Amount		100.00

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Iberia Bank

Filing Fee for 4 Leases

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100.00

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June 14, 2011

Via FedEx

Mr. Drew Reid
Texas General Land Office
1700 Congress Avenue
Stephen F. Austin Building, RM 847
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Oil, Gas and Mineral Leases
Reeves County, Texas

Dear Drew:

Enclosed herewith, please find four (4) certified copies of leases, taken in the name of the State of Texas, in favor of Petrohawk Properties, LP, listed as follows:

<u>Lease No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Lessor</u>
ELS-0007B	01/11/2011	Meeker Investments, Inc.
ELS-0007C	04/28/2011	Charles R. Meeker Trust
ELS-0010E	04/28/2011	Charles R. Meeker Trust
ELS-0014B	02/24/2011	Kay Frances Hicks Biros

Also enclosed, please find a check in the amount of \$100.00. This amount covers the filing fee for the 4 leases @ \$25/per lease, which covers all required fees associated with the above listed leases. Please be advised that the tracts covered by lease numbers ELS-0007B, ELS-0007C & ELS-0010E were previously paid by check number 2625, issued April 29, 2011 and the tract for lease number ELS-0014B was previously paid by check number 2707 issued May 25, 2011. I trust that you will not hesitate to call me with any questions that you may have concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,


Natalie Holeman

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File No. 112096

Date Filed: 6/16/11
By: Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner

Cover Letter @ Bonds Fees

LESSOR	GROSS	INTEREST	NET	BPA	TOTAL BONUS CONSIDERATION	BONUS TO SOIL	BONUS TO GLO	TOTAL BONUS TO STATE
MEEKER INVESTMENTS-LAWRENCE HILL MEEKER, ET AL								
L. H. MEEKER AND J. WADE MEEKER, BOTH AS CO-TRUSTEES UNDER THE WILL OF J. R. MEEKER FOR THE LIFETIME BENEFIT OF L. H. MEEKER	1920	7/48	280.000000	\$1,200.00	\$336,000.00	\$168,000.00	\$168,000.00	MF112096A
MEEKER INVESTMENTS, INC.	1920	7/48	280.000000	\$1,200.00	\$336,000.00	\$168,000.00	\$168,000.00	MF112096C
CHARLES R. MEEKER TRUST U/A BANK OF AMERICA N A TRUSTEE	1920	7/96	140.000000	\$1,200.00	\$168,000.00	\$84,000.00	\$84,000.00	MF112096D
WINDY GRIMES, SOLE TRUSTEE OF THE AWP 1983 TRUST	1920	7/96	140.000000	\$1,200.00	\$168,000.00	\$84,000.00	\$84,000.00	MF112096B
		7/16	840.000000					\$504,000.00
MONTE CARMICHAEL, JR., ET AL								
MONTE E. CARMICHAEL, JR.	1280	1/3	426.666667	\$800.00	\$341,333.33	\$170,666.67	\$170,666.67	
JANE ANN BICKAM	1280	1/3	426.666667	\$800.00	\$341,333.33	\$170,666.67	\$170,666.67	
TROY A. CARMICHAEL TRUST - INTERNATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE - TRUSTEE	1280	1/3	426.666667	\$800.00	\$341,333.33	\$170,666.67	\$170,666.67	
		1.000000	1280.000000					\$512,000.00
VIRGINIA TAYLOR, ET AL								
BOBBY HOOTON	1280	1/140	9.142857	\$1,300.00	\$11,885.71	\$5,942.86	\$5,942.86	MF112098V
DEBORAH HOOTON HARTSOCK	1280	1/140	9.142857	\$1,300.00	\$11,885.71	\$5,942.86	\$5,942.86	MF112098W
GAIL HOOTON	1280	1/140	9.142857	\$1,300.00	\$11,885.71	\$5,942.86	\$5,942.86	MF112098Z
GENE HOOTON	1280	1/140	9.142857	\$1,300.00	\$11,885.71	\$5,942.86	\$5,942.86	MF112098X
JAMES WILLIAM HOOTON	1280	1/84	15.238095	\$1,300.00	\$19,809.52	\$9,904.76	\$9,904.76	MF112098U
KATHERINE HOOTON STANDING	1280	1/84	15.238095	\$1,300.00	\$19,809.52	\$9,904.76	\$9,904.76	MF112098S
MARGIE MCKENZIE HOOTON	1280	1/28	45.714286	\$1,300.00	\$59,428.57	\$29,714.29	\$29,714.29	ML112098M
MARY HOOTON HARDIN	1280	1/56	22.857143	\$1,300.00	\$29,714.29	\$14,857.14	\$14,857.14	MF112098Q
PHILIP LEAHY HOOTON	1280	1/84	15.238095	\$1,300.00	\$19,809.52	\$9,904.76	\$9,904.76	MF112098T
WILLIAM STEWART HOOTON	1280	1/56	22.857143	\$1,300.00	\$29,714.29	\$14,857.14	\$14,857.14	MF112098R
WILLIAM D. HOOTON	1280	1/140	9.142857	\$1,300.00	\$11,885.71	\$5,942.86	\$5,942.86	MF112098Y
TERRELL JENKINS KING	1280	1/14	91.428571	\$1,300.00	\$118,857.14	\$59,428.57	\$59,428.57	MF112098D
LUCY CAROLYN KING PEREZ	1280	1/14	91.428571	\$1,300.00	\$118,857.14	\$59,428.57	\$59,428.57	MF112098E
ELNA JANE WOOD	1280	1/21	60.952381	\$1,300.00	\$79,238.10	\$39,619.05	\$39,619.05	MF112098I
MOZELLE KEASLER BICKNELL	1280	1/21	60.952381	\$1,300.00	\$79,238.10	\$39,619.05	\$39,619.05	MF112098J

VIRGINIA PAT KEASLER TAYLOR	1280	1/21	60.952381	\$1,300.00	\$79,238.10	\$39,619.05	\$39,619.05	MF112098A
CHRISTINE JENKINS	1280	1/42	30.476190	\$1,300.00	\$39,619.05	\$19,809.52	\$19,809.52	MF112098P
ERMENTRU JENKINS	1280	1/14	91.428571	\$1,300.00	\$118,857.14	\$59,428.57	\$59,428.57	MF112098C
GREGORY JENKINS	1280	1/42	30.476190	\$1,300.00	\$39,619.05	\$19,809.52	\$19,809.52	MF112098O
PHILIP JENKINS	1280	1/42	30.476190	\$1,300.00	\$39,619.05	\$19,809.52	\$19,809.52	MF112098N
JEFFERY LYNN CROUCH	1280	1/14	91.428571	\$1,300.00	\$118,857.14	\$59,428.57	\$59,428.57	MF112098F
JESSEE DAVID CROUCH	1280	1/14	91.428571	\$1,300.00	\$118,857.14	\$59,428.57	\$59,428.57	MF112098B
JOSEPH ROBERT KEASLER	1280	1/21	60.952381	\$1,300.00	\$79,238.10	\$39,619.05	\$39,619.05	MF112098G
KAY KEASLER CASPER	1280	1/21	60.952381	\$1,300.00	\$79,238.10	\$39,619.05	\$39,619.05	MF112098L
MARGARET ANN KEASLER HOGAN	1280	1/21	60.952381	\$1,300.00	\$79,238.10	\$39,619.05	\$39,619.05	MF112098K
SARA KEASLER BARNETT	1280	1/7	182.857143	\$1,300.00	\$237,714.29	\$118,857.14	\$118,857.14	MF112098A
		1	1280.000000					\$832,000.00
WALTER GREEMAN, ET AL								
WALTER CHARLES GREEMAN	2216	5/24	461.666667	\$900.00	\$415,500.00	\$207,750.00	\$207,750.00	MF112097A
ADELIA M. BURRIS	2216	5/24	461.666667	\$900.00	\$415,500.00	\$207,750.00	\$207,750.00	MF112097B
TAMMY JO HAYS	2216	1/12	184.666667	\$900.00	\$166,200.00	\$83,100.00	\$83,100.00	MF112097C
BOKF, NA, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE JOSEPHINE RENZULLI TRUST #1 UNDER THE WILL OF M. A. GRISHAM	2216	3/16	415.500000	\$900.00	\$373,950.00	\$186,975.00	\$186,975.00	MF112097D
RENZULLI TRUST #2 UNDER THE WILL OF JOSEPHINE R. GRISHAM	2216	3/16	415.500000	\$900.00	\$373,950.00	\$186,975.00	\$186,975.00	MF112097E
BOKF, NA, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE CAROL HALL B. MAJZLIN TRUST #1 UNDER THE WILL OF M. A. GRISHAM	2216	1/32	69.250000	\$900.00	\$62,325.00	\$31,162.50	\$31,162.50	MF112097F
BOKF, NA, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE CAROL HALL B. MAJZLIN TRUST #2 UNDER THE WILL OF JOSEPHINE R. GRISHAM	2216	1/32	69.250000	\$900.00	\$62,325.00	\$31,162.50	\$31,162.50	MF112097G
BOKF, NA AS AGENT FOR SUSANNAH BLINKOFF	2216	1/32	69.250000	\$900.00	\$62,325.00	\$31,162.50	\$31,162.50	MF112097H
BOKF, NA AS AGENT FOR DANIEL BLINKOFF	2216	1/32	69.250000	\$900.00	\$62,325.00	\$31,162.50	\$31,162.50	MF112097I
		1	2216.000000					\$997,200.00

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\$2,845,200.00

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File No. 112096

Surface & Mineral Ownership

Date Filed: 3/8/12

Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner

By GH

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TEXAS



GENERAL LAND OFFICE

JERRY PATTERSON, COMMISSIONER

February 21, 2012

Micah Strother
Petrohawk Properties
333 Texas, Suite 400
Shreveport, LA 71101

Re: **State Lease MF 112096**

Four Relinquishment Act Leases described on **Page 2** hereof
Covering 1920 ac., Sec. 43, 44, 45, Blk. 59, PSL Survey, Reeves
County, TX

Dear Mr. Strother:

The certified copies of the Relinquishment Act leases covering the referenced tract have been approved and filed in our records under Mineral File numbers as set out on Page 2. **Please refer to these numbers when making payments to the State and in all future correspondence concerning the leases. Failure to include the mineral file numbers may delay processing of any payments towards the leases.**

There are several contractual and statutory responsibilities for the Lessee which are material provisions of the lease as outlined in the agreement such as Section 10(B) which requires submission of written notice for all drilling, production and related activities. When forms are filed with the Texas Railroad Commission, they are required to be submitted to the General Land Office as well. Examples are W-1, Application to Drill; W-2, Oil Well Completion Report and Log; G-1, Gas Well Completion Report and Log; W-3, Plugging Report; G-5, Gas Well Classification Report; G-10, Gas Well Status Report; W-10, Oil Well Status Report; W-12, Inclination Report; electric logs; directional surveys.

Chapter 52 of the Texas Natural Resources Codes specifies that the surface owner's right to receive a portion of the revenues generated by the lease shall be in lieu of all damages to the soil. Therefore, any payments made for surface use or damages other than the authorized damages set out in the lease form must be shared equally with the state.

The remittances by Exploration Land Services, LLC are set out on Page 2 and have been applied to the State's portion of the cash bonus. In addition, we are in receipt of your processing and filing fees.

Sincerely yours,

Drew Reid
Mineral Leasing, Energy Resources
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Lease dated 01/11/11 recorded Document No. 1879, Reeves Co.
LH Meeker Benefit uwo JR Meeker, agent for State of Texas,
Lessor
Bonus received \$168,000.00

State Lease MF112096B

Lease dated 01/11/11 recorded Document 2927, Reeves Co.
AWP 1983 Trust, agent for State of Texas, Lessor,
Bonus received \$84,000.00

State Lease MF112096C

Lease dated 01/11/11 recorded Document 3980, Reeves Co.
Meeker Investments, Inc., agent for State of Texas, Lessor
Bonus received \$168,000.00

State Lease MF112096D

Lease dated 04/28/11 recorded Document 3981, Reeves Co.
Charles R. Meeker Trust, agent for State of Texas, Lessor
Bonus received \$84,000.00

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Final Letter

Date Filed: 2/21/12

Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner

By GA

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Notice of Confidentiality Rights: If you are a natural person, you may remove or strike any of the following information from this instrument before it is filed for record in the public records: your social security number or your driver's license number.

General Land Office
Relinquishment Act Lease Form
Revised, September 1997

The State of Texas



Austin, Texas

OIL AND GAS LEASE

*Paid up 2nd & 3rd yr
4th yr Rental \$1200.00*

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 11th day of January, 2011, between the State of Texas, acting by and through its agent, L. H. MEEKER AND JULIAN WADE MEEKER AS TRUSTEES FOR THE LIFETIME BENEFIT OF L. H. MEEKER UNDER THE WILL OF J. R. MEEKER

of 106 WEST 8TH STREET, SUITE 410, FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76102

(Give Permanent Address)

said agent herein referred to as the owner of the soil (whether one or more), and PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP

of 6100 SOUTH YALE STREET, SUITE 500, TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74136

(Give Permanent Address)

hereinafter called Lessee.

1. GRANTING CLAUSE. For and in consideration of the amounts stated below and of the covenants and agreements to be paid, kept and performed by Lessee under this lease, the State of Texas acting by and through the owner of the soil, hereby grants, leases and lets unto Lessee, for the sole and only purpose of prospecting and drilling for and producing oil and gas, laying pipe lines, building tanks, storing oil and building power stations, telephone lines and other structures thereon, to produce, save, take care of, treat and transport said products of the lease, the following lands situated in REEVES County, State of Texas, to-wit:

All of Section 43, A-4005 & A-4204, all of Section 44, A-4006 and all of Section 45, A-4007, Block 59, PSL Survey

FOR ADDITIONAL TERMS AND PROVISIONS, SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Containing 1920.000 acres, more or less. The bonus consideration paid for this lease is as follows:

To the State of Texas: ONE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100

Dollars (\$168,000.00)

To the owner of the soil: ONE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100

Dollars (\$168,000.00)

Total bonus consideration: THREE HUNDRED THIRTY SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100

Dollars (\$336,000.00)

The total bonus consideration paid represents a bonus of ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/100

Dollars (\$1200.00) per acre, on 280.000 net acres.

2. TERM. Subject to the other provisions in this lease, this lease shall be for a term of FIVE years from this date (herein called "primary term") and as long thereafter as oil and gas, or either of them, is produced in paying quantities from said land. As used in this lease, the term "produced in paying quantities" means that the receipts from the sale or other authorized commercial use of the substance(s) covered exceed out of pocket operational expenses for the six months last past.

3. DELAY RENTALS. If no well is commenced on the leased premises on or before one (1) year from this date, this lease shall terminate, unless on or before such anniversary date Lessee shall pay or tender to the owner of the soil or to his credit in the _____ Bank, at _____ PAY DIRECTLY TO OWNER OF THE SOIL, or its successors (which shall continue as the depository regardless of changes in the ownership of said land), the amount specified below; in addition, Lessee shall pay or tender to the COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT AUSTIN, TEXAS, a like sum on or before said date. Payments under this paragraph shall operate as a rental and shall cover the privilege of deferring the commencement of a well for one (1) year from said date. Payments under this paragraph shall be in the following amounts:

To the owner of the soil: _____

Dollars (\$ _____)

To the State of Texas: REFER TO ADDENDUM PARAGRAPH 40

Dollars (\$ _____)

Total Delay Rental: _____

Dollars (\$ _____)

In a like manner and upon like payments or tenders annually, the commencement of a well may be further deferred for successive periods of one (1) year each during the primary term. All payments or tenders of rental to the owner of the soil may be made by check or sight draft of Lessee, or any assignee of this lease, and may be delivered on or before the rental paying date. If the bank designated in this paragraph (or its successor bank) should



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cease to exist, suspend business, liquidate, fail or be succeeded by another bank, or for any reason fail or refuse to accept rental, Lessee shall not be held in default for failure to make such payments or tenders of rental until thirty (30) days after the owner of the soil shall deliver to Lessee a proper recordable instrument naming another bank as agent to receive such payments or tenders.

4. PRODUCTION ROYALTIES. Upon production of oil and/or gas, Lessee agrees to pay or cause to be paid one-half (1/2) of the royalty provided for in this lease to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, and one-half (1/2) of such royalty to the owner of the soil:

(A) **OIL.** Royalty payable on oil, which is defined as including all hydrocarbons produced in a liquid form at the mouth of the well and also as all condensate, distillate, and other liquid hydrocarbons recovered from oil or gas run through a separator or other equipment, as hereinafter provided, shall be 1/4 part of the gross production or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such value to be determined by 1) the highest posted price, plus premium, if any, offered or paid for oil, condensate, distillate, or other liquid hydrocarbons, respectively, of a like type and gravity in the general area where produced and when run, or 2) the highest market price thereof offered or paid in the general area where produced and when run, or 3) the gross proceeds of the sale thereof, whichever is the greater. Lessee agrees that before any gas produced from the leased premises is sold, used or processed in a plant, it will be run free of cost to the royalty owners through an adequate oil and gas separator of conventional type, or other equipment at least as efficient, so that all liquid hydrocarbons recoverable from the gas by such means will be recovered. The requirement that such gas be run through a separator or other equipment may be waived, in writing, by the royalty owners upon such terms and conditions as they prescribe.

(B) **NON PROCESSED GAS.** Royalty on any gas (including flared gas), which is defined as all hydrocarbons and gaseous substances not defined as oil in subparagraph (A) above, produced from any well on said land (except as provided herein with respect to gas processed in a plant for the extraction of gasoline, liquid hydrocarbons or other products) shall be 1/4 part of the gross production or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such value to be based on the highest market price paid or offered for gas of comparable quality in the general area where produced and when run, or the gross price paid or offered to the producer, whichever is the greater; provided that the maximum pressure base in measuring the gas under this lease shall not at any time exceed 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard base temperature shall be sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit, correction to be made for pressure according to Boyle's Law, and for specific gravity according to tests made by the Balance Method or by the most approved method of testing being used by the industry at the time of testing.

(C) **PROCESSED GAS.** Royalty on any gas processed in a gasoline plant or other plant for the recovery of gasoline or other liquid hydrocarbons shall be 1/4 part of the residue gas and the liquid hydrocarbons extracted or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office. All royalties due herein shall be based on one hundred percent (100%) of the total plant production of residue gas attributable to gas produced from this lease, and on fifty percent (50%), or that percent accruing to Lessee, whichever is the greater, of the total plant production of liquid hydrocarbons attributable to the gas produced from this lease; provided that if liquid hydrocarbons are recovered from gas processed in a plant in which Lessee (or its parent, subsidiary or affiliate) owns an interest, then the percentage applicable to liquid hydrocarbons shall be fifty percent (50%) or the highest percent accruing to a third party processing gas through such plant under a processing agreement negotiated at arm's length (or if there is no such third party, the highest percent then being specified in processing agreements or contracts in the industry), whichever is the greater. The respective royalties on residue gas and on liquid hydrocarbons shall be determined by 1) the highest market price paid or offered for any gas (or liquid hydrocarbons) of comparable quality in the general area, or 2) the gross price paid or offered for such residue gas (or the weighted average gross selling price for the respective grades of liquid hydrocarbons), whichever is the greater. In no event, however, shall the royalties payable under this paragraph be less than the royalties which would have been due had the gas not been processed.

(D) **OTHER PRODUCTS.** Royalty on carbon black, sulphur or any other products produced or manufactured from gas (excepting liquid hydrocarbons) whether said gas be "casinghead," "dry," or any other gas, by fractionating, burning or any other processing shall be 1/4 part of the gross production of such products, or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such market value to be determined as follows: 1) on the basis of the highest market price of each product for the same month in which such product is produced, or 2) on the basis of the average gross sale price of each product for the same month in which such products are produced; whichever is the greater.

5. MINIMUM ROYALTY. During any year after the expiration of the primary term of this lease, if this lease is maintained by production, the royalties paid under this lease in no event shall be less than an amount equal to the total annual delay rental herein provided; otherwise, there shall be due and payable on or before the last day of the month succeeding the anniversary date of this lease a sum equal to the total annual rental less the amount of royalties paid during the preceding year. If Paragraph 3 of this lease does not specify a delay rental amount, then for the purposes of this paragraph, the delay rental amount shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per acre.

6. ROYALTY IN KIND. Notwithstanding any other provision in this lease, at any time or from time to time, the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office may, at the option of either, upon not less than sixty (60) days notice to the holder of the lease, require that the payment of any royalties accruing to such royalty owner under this lease be made in kind. The owner of the soil's or the Commissioner of the General Land Office's right to take its royalty in kind shall not diminish or negate the owner of the soil's or the Commissioner of the General Land Office's rights or Lessee's obligations, whether express or implied, under this lease.

7. NO DEDUCTIONS. Lessee agrees that all royalties accruing under this lease (including those paid in kind) shall be without deduction for the cost of producing, gathering, storing, separating, treating, dehydrating, compressing, processing, transporting, and otherwise making the oil, gas and other products hereunder ready for sale or use. Lessee agrees to compute and pay royalties on the gross value received, including any reimbursements for severance taxes and production related costs.

8. PLANT FUEL AND RECYCLED GAS. No royalty shall be payable on any gas as may represent this lease's proportionate share of any fuel used to process gas produced hereunder in any processing plant. Notwithstanding any other provision of this lease, and subject to the written consent of the owner of the soil and the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Lessee may recycle gas for gas lift purposes on the leased premises or for injection into any oil or gas producing formation underlying the leased premises after the liquid hydrocarbons contained in the gas have been removed; no royalties shall be payable on the recycled gas until it is produced and sold or used by Lessee in a manner which entitles the royalty owners to a royalty under this lease.

9. ROYALTY PAYMENTS AND REPORTS. All royalties not taken in kind shall be paid to the Commissioner of the General Land Office at Austin, Texas, in the following manner:

Payment of royalty on production of oil and gas shall be as provided in the rules set forth in the Texas Register. Rules currently provide that royalty on oil is due and must be received in the General Land Office on or before the 5th day of the second month succeeding the month of production, and royalty on gas is due and must be received in the General Land Office on or before the 15th day of the second month succeeding the month of production, accompanied by the affidavit of the owner, manager or other authorized agent, completed in the form and manner prescribed by the General Land Office and showing the gross amount and disposition of all oil and gas produced and the market value of the oil and gas, together with a copy of all documents, records or reports confirming the gross production, disposition and market value including gas meter readings, pipeline receipts, gas line receipts and other checks or memoranda of amount produced and put into pipelines, tanks, or pools and gas lines or gas storage, and any other reports or records which the General Land Office may require to verify the gross production, disposition and market value. In all cases the authority of a manager or agent to act for the Lessee herein must be filed in the General Land Office. Each royalty payment shall be accompanied by a check stub, schedule, summary or other remittance advice showing by the assigned General Land Office lease number the amount of royalty being paid on each lease. If Lessee pays his royalty on or before thirty (30) days after the royalty payment was due, then Lessee owes a penalty of 5% on the royalty or \$25.00, whichever is greater. A royalty payment which is over thirty (30) days late shall accrue a penalty of 10% of the royalty due or \$25.00 whichever is greater. In addition to a penalty, royalties shall accrue interest at a rate of 12% per year; such interest will begin to accrue when the royalty is sixty (60) days overdue. Affidavits and supporting documents which are not filed when due shall incur a penalty in an amount set by the General Land Office administrative rule which is effective on the date when the affidavits or supporting documents were due. The Lessee shall bear all responsibility for paying or causing royalties to be paid as prescribed by the due date provided herein. Payment of the delinquency penalty shall in no way operate to prohibit the State's right of forfeiture as provided by law nor act to postpone the date on which royalties were originally due. The above penalty provisions shall not apply in cases of title dispute as to the State's portion of the royalty or to that portion of the royalty in dispute as to fair market value.

10. (A) RESERVES, CONTRACTS AND OTHER RECORDS. Lessee shall annually furnish the Commissioner of the General Land Office with its best possible estimate of oil and gas reserves underlying this lease or allocable to this lease and shall furnish said Commissioner with copies of all contracts under which gas is sold or processed and all subsequent agreements and amendments to such contracts within thirty (30) days after

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entering into or making such contracts, agreements or amendments. Such contracts and agreements when received by the General Land Office shall be held in confidence by the General Land Office unless otherwise authorized by Lessee. All other contracts and records pertaining to the production, transportation, sale and marketing of the oil and gas produced on said premises, including the books and accounts, receipts and discharges of all wells, tanks, pools, meters, and pipelines shall at all times be subject to inspection and examination by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Attorney General, the Governor, or the representative of any of them.

(B) PERMITS, DRILLING RECORDS. Written notice of all operations on this lease shall be submitted to the Commissioner of the General Land Office by Lessee or operator five (5) days before spud date, workover, re-entry, temporary abandonment or plug and abandonment of any well or wells. Such written notice to the General Land Office shall include copies of Railroad Commission forms for application to drill. Copies of well tests, completion reports and plugging reports shall be supplied to the General Land Office at the time they are filed with the Texas Railroad Commission. All applications, permits, reports or other filings that reference this lease or any specific well on the leased premises and that are submitted to the Texas Railroad Commission or any other governmental agency shall include the word "State" in the title. Additionally, in accordance with Railroad Commission rules, any signage on the leased premises for the purpose of identifying wells, tank batteries or other associated improvements to the land must also include the word "State." Lessee shall supply the General Land Office with any records, memoranda, accounts, reports, cuttings and cores, or other information relative to the operation of the above-described premises, which may be requested by the General Land Office, in addition to those herein expressly provided for. Lessee shall have an electrical and/or radioactivity survey made on the bore-hole section, from the base of the surface casing to the total depth of well, of all wells drilled on the above described premises and shall transmit a true copy of the log of each survey on each well to the General Land Office within fifteen (15) days after the making of said survey.

(C) PENALTIES. Lessee shall incur a penalty whenever reports, documents or other materials are not filed in the General Land Office when due. The penalty for late filing shall be set by the General Land Office administrative rule which is effective on the date when the materials were due in the General Land Office.

11. DRY HOLE/CESSATION OF PRODUCTION DURING PRIMARY TERM. If, during the primary term hereof and prior to discovery, and production of oil or gas on said land, Lessee should drill a dry hole or holes thereon, or if during the primary term hereof and after the discovery and actual production of oil or gas from the leased premises such production thereof should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if on or before the expiration of sixty (60) days from date of completion of said dry hole or cessation of production Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations thereon, or pays or tenders the next annual delay rental in the same manner as provided in this lease. If, during the last year of the primary term or within sixty (60) days prior thereto, a dry hole be completed and abandoned, or the production of oil or gas should cease for any cause, Lessee's rights shall remain in full force and effect without further operations until the expiration of the primary term; and if Lessee has not resumed production in paying quantities at the expiration of the primary term, Lessee may maintain this lease by conducting additional drilling or reworking operations pursuant to Paragraph 13, using the expiration of the primary term as the date of cessation of production under Paragraph 13. Should the first well or any subsequent well drilled on the above described land be completed as a shut-in oil or gas well within the primary term hereof, Lessee may resume payment of the annual rental in the same manner as provided herein on or before the rental paying date following the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date of completion of such shut-in oil or gas well and upon the failure to make such payment, this lease shall ipso facto terminate. If at the expiration of the primary term or any time thereafter a shut-in oil or gas well is located on the leased premises, payments may be made in accordance with the shut-in provisions hereof.

12. DRILLING AND REWORKING AT EXPIRATION OF PRIMARY TERM. If, at the expiration of the primary term, neither oil nor gas is being produced on said land, but Lessee is then engaged in drilling or reworking operations thereon, this lease shall remain in force so long as operations on said well or for drilling or reworking of any additional wells are prosecuted in good faith and in workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days during any one such operation, and if they result in the production of oil and/or gas, so long thereafter as oil and/or gas is produced in paying quantities from said land, or payment of shut-in oil or gas well royalties or compensatory royalties is made as provided in this lease.

13. CESSATION, DRILLING, AND REWORKING. If, after the expiration of the primary term, production of oil or gas from the leased premises, after once obtained, should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within sixty (60) days after such cessation, and this lease shall remain in full force and effect for so long as such operations continue in good faith and in workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days. If such drilling or reworking operations result in the production of oil or gas, the lease shall remain in full force and effect for so long as oil or gas is produced from the leased premises in paying quantities or payment of shut-in oil or gas well royalties or payment of compensatory royalties is made as provided herein or as provided by law. If the drilling or reworking operations result in the completion of a well as a dry hole, the lease will not terminate if the Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within sixty (60) days after the completion of the well as a dry hole, and this lease shall remain in effect so long as Lessee continues drilling or reworking operations in good faith and in a workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days. Lessee shall give written notice to the General Land Office within thirty (30) days of any cessation of production.

14. SHUT-IN ROYALTIES. For purposes of this paragraph, "well" means any well that has been assigned a well number by the state agency having jurisdiction over the production of oil and gas. If, at any time after the expiration of the primary term of a lease that, until being shut in, was being maintained in force and effect, a well capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities is located on the leased premises, but oil or gas is not being produced for lack of suitable production facilities or lack of a suitable market, then Lessee may pay as a shut-in oil or gas royalty an amount equal to double the annual rental provided in the lease, but not less than \$1,200 a year for each well capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities. If Paragraph 3 of this lease does not specify a delay rental amount, then for the purposes of this paragraph, the delay rental amount shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per acre. To be effective, each initial shut-in oil or gas royalty must be paid on or before: (1) the expiration of the primary term, (2) 60 days after the Lessee ceases to produce oil or gas from the leased premises, or (3) 60 days after Lessee completes a drilling or reworking operation in accordance with the lease provisions; whichever date is latest. Such payment shall be made one-half (1/2) to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and one-half (1/2) to the owner of the soil. If the shut-in oil or gas royalty is paid, the lease shall be considered to be a producing lease and the payment shall extend the term of the lease for a period of one year from the end of the primary term, or from the first day of the month following the month in which production ceased, and, after that, if no suitable production facilities or suitable market for the oil or gas exists, Lessee may extend the lease for four more successive periods of one (1) year by paying the same amount each year on or before the expiration of each shut-in year.

15. COMPENSATORY ROYALTIES. If, during the period the lease is kept in effect by payment of the shut-in oil or gas royalty, oil or gas is sold and delivered in paying quantities from a well located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises and completed in the same producing reservoir, or in any case in which drainage is occurring, the right to continue to maintain the lease by paying the shut-in oil or gas royalty shall cease, but the lease shall remain effective for the remainder of the year for which the royalty has been paid. The Lessee may maintain the lease for four more successive years by Lessee paying compensatory royalty at the royalty rate provided in the lease of the market value of production from the well causing the drainage or which is completed in the same producing reservoir and within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises. The compensatory royalty is to be paid monthly, one-half (1/2) to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and one-half (1/2) to the owner of the soil, beginning on or before the last day of the month following the month in which the oil or gas is produced from the well causing the drainage or that is completed in the same producing reservoir and located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises. If the compensatory royalty paid in any 12-month period is an amount less than the annual shut-in oil or gas royalty, Lessee shall pay an amount equal to the difference within thirty (30) days from the end of the 12-month period. Compensatory royalty payments which are not timely paid will accrue penalty and interest in accordance with Paragraph 9 of this lease. None of these provisions will relieve Lessee of the obligation of reasonable development nor the obligation to drill offset wells as provided in Texas Natural Resources Code 52.173; however, at the determination of the Commissioner, and with the Commissioner's written approval, the payment of compensatory royalties can satisfy the obligation to drill offset wells.

16. RETAINED ACREAGE. Notwithstanding any provision of this lease to the contrary, after a well producing or capable of producing oil or gas has been completed on the leased premises, Lessee shall exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent operator in drilling such additional well or wells as may be reasonably necessary for the proper development of the leased premises and in marketing the production thereon.

(A) VERTICAL. In the event this lease is in force and effect two (2) years after the expiration date of the primary or extended term it shall then terminate as to all of the leased premises, EXCEPT (1) 40 acres surrounding each oil well capable of producing in paying quantities and 320 acres surrounding each gas well capable of producing in paying quantities (including a shut-in oil or gas well as provided in Paragraph 14 hereof), or a well upon which Lessee is then engaged in continuous drilling or reworking operations, or (2) the number of acres included in a producing pooled unit pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code 52.151-52.154, or (3) such greater or lesser number of acres as may then be allocated for production purposes to a proration unit for each such producing well under the rules and regulations of the Railroad Commission of Texas, or any successor agency, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction. If at any time after the effective date of the partial termination provisions hereof, the applicable field rules are changed or the well or wells located thereon are reclassified so that less acreage is thereafter allocated to said well or wells for production purposes, this lease shall thereupon terminate as to all acreage not thereafter allocated to said well or wells for production purposes.

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Notwithstanding the termination of this lease as to a portion of the lands covered hereby, Lessee shall nevertheless continue to have the right of ingress to and egress from the lands still subject to this lease for all purposes described in Paragraph 1 hereof, together with easements and rights-of-way for existing roads, existing pipelines and other existing facilities on, over and across all the lands described in Paragraph 1 hereof ("the retained lands"), for access to and from the retained lands and for the gathering or transportation of oil, gas and other minerals produced from the retained lands.

(B) HORIZONTAL. In the event this lease is in force and effect two (2) years after the expiration date of the primary or extended term it shall further terminate as to all depths below 100 feet below the total depth drilled (hereinafter "deeper depths") in each well located on acreage retained in Paragraph 16 (A) above, unless on or before two (2) years after the primary or extended term Lessee pays an amount equal to one-half (1/2) of the bonus originally paid as consideration for this lease (as specified on page 1 hereof). If such amount is paid, this lease shall be in force and effect as to such deeper depths, and said termination shall be delayed for an additional period of two (2) years and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities from such deeper depths covered by this lease.

(C) IDENTIFICATION AND FILING. The surface acreage retained hereunder as to each well shall, as nearly as practical, be in the form of a square with the well located in the center thereof, or such other shape as may be approved by the Commissioner of the General Land Office. Within thirty (30) days after partial termination of this lease as provided herein, Lessee shall execute and record a release or releases containing a satisfactory legal description of the acreage and/or depths not retained hereunder. The recorded release, or a certified copy of same, shall be filed in the General Land Office, accompanied by the filing fee prescribed by the General Land Office rules in effect on the date the release is filed. If Lessee fails or refuses to execute and record such release or releases within ninety (90) days after being requested to do so by the General Land Office, then the Commissioner at his sole discretion may designate by written instrument the acreage and/or depths to be released hereunder and record such instrument at Lessee's expense in the county or counties where the lease is located and in the official records of the General Land Office and such designation shall be binding upon Lessee for all purposes.

17. OFFSET WELLS. Neither the bonus, delay rentals, nor royalties paid, or to be paid, under this lease shall relieve Lessee of his obligation to protect the oil and gas under the above-described land from being drained. Lessee, sublessee, receiver or other agent in control of the leased premises shall drill as many wells as the facts may justify and shall use appropriate means and drill to a depth necessary to prevent undue drainage of oil and gas from the leased premises. In addition, if oil and/or gas should be produced in commercial quantities within 1,000 feet of the leased premises, or in any case where the leased premises is being drained by production of oil or gas, the Lessee, sublessee, receiver or other agent in control of the leased premises shall in good faith begin the drilling of a well or wells upon the leased premises within 100 days after the draining well or wells on the well or wells completed within 1,000 feet of the leased premises start producing in commercial quantities and shall prosecute such drilling with diligence. Failure to satisfy the statutory offset obligation may subject this lease and the owner of the soil's agency rights to forfeiture. Only upon the determination of the Commissioner of the General Land Office and with his written approval may the payment of compensatory royalty under applicable statutory parameters satisfy the obligation to drill an offset well or wells required under this paragraph.

18. FORCE MAJEURE. If, after a good faith effort, Lessee is prevented from complying with any express or implied covenant of this lease, from conducting drilling operations on the leased premises, or from producing oil or gas from the leased premises by reason of war, rebellion, riots, strikes, acts of God, or any valid order, rule or regulation of government authority, then while so prevented, Lessee's obligation to comply with such covenant shall be suspended and Lessee shall not be liable for damages for failure to comply with such covenants; additionally, this lease shall be extended while Lessee is prevented, by any such cause, from conducting drilling and reworking operations or from producing oil or gas from the leased premises. However, nothing in this paragraph shall suspend the payment of delay rentals in order to maintain this lease in effect during the primary term in the absence of such drilling or reworking operations or production of oil or gas.

19. WARRANTY CLAUSE. The owner of the soil warrants and agrees to defend title to the leased premises. If the owner of the soil defaults in payments owed on the leased premises, then Lessee may redeem the rights of the owner of the soil in the leased premises by paying any mortgage, taxes or other liens on the leased premises. If Lessee makes payments on behalf of the owner of the soil under this paragraph, Lessee may recover the cost of these payments from the rental and royalties due the owner of the soil.

20. (A) PROPORTIONATE REDUCTION CLAUSE. If the owner of the soil owns less than the entire undivided surface estate in the above described land, whether or not Lessee's interest is specified herein, then the royalties and rental herein provided to be paid to the owner of the soil shall be paid to him in the proportion which his interest bears to the entire undivided surface estate and the royalties and rental herein provided to be paid to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas shall be likewise proportionately reduced. However, before Lessee adjusts the royalty or rental due to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Lessee or his authorized representative must submit to the Commissioner of the General Land Office a written statement which explains the discrepancy between the interest purportedly leased under this lease and the actual interest owned by the owner of the soil. The Commissioner of the General Land Office shall be paid the value of the whole production allocable to any undivided interest not covered by a lease, less the proportionate development and production cost allocable to such undivided interest. However, in no event shall the Commissioner of the General Land Office receive as a royalty on the gross production allocable to the undivided interest not leased an amount less than the value of one-sixteenth (1/16) of such gross production.

(B) REDUCTION OF PAYMENTS. If, during the primary term, a portion of the land covered by this lease is included within the boundaries of a pooled unit that has been approved by the School Land Board and the owner of the soil in accordance with Natural Resources Code Sections 52.151-52.154, or if, at any time after the expiration of the primary term or the extended term, this lease covers a lesser number of acres than the total amount described herein, payments that are made on a per acre basis hereunder shall be reduced according to the number of acres pooled, released, surrendered, or otherwise severed, so that payments determined on a per acre basis under the terms of this lease during the primary term shall be calculated based upon the number of acres outside the boundaries of a pooled unit, or, if after the expiration of the primary term, the number of acres actually retained and covered by this lease.

21. USE OF WATER. Lessee shall have the right to use water produced on said land necessary for operations under this lease except water from wells or tanks of the owner of the soil; provided, however, Lessee shall not use potable water or water suitable for livestock or irrigation purposes for waterflood operations without the prior consent of the owner of the soil.

22. AUTHORIZED DAMAGES. Lessee shall pay the owner of the soil for damages caused by its operations to all personal property, improvements, livestock and crops on said land.

23. PIPELINE DEPTH. When requested by the owner of the soil, Lessee shall bury its pipelines below plow depth.

24. WELL LOCATION LIMIT. No well shall be drilled nearer than two hundred (200) feet to any house or barn now on said premises without the written consent of the owner of the soil.

25. POLLUTION. In developing this area, Lessee shall use the highest degree of care and all proper safeguards to prevent pollution. Without limiting the foregoing, pollution of coastal wetlands, natural waterways, rivers and impounded water shall be prevented by the use of containment facilities sufficient to prevent spillage, seepage or ground water contamination. In the event of pollution, Lessee shall use all means at its disposal to recapture all escaped hydrocarbons or other pollutant and shall be responsible for all damage to public and private properties. Lessee shall build and maintain fences around its slush, sump, and drainage pits and tank batteries so as to protect livestock against loss, damage or injury; and upon completion or abandonment of any well or wells, Lessee shall fill and level all slush pits and cellars and completely clean up the drilling site of all rubbish thereon. Lessee shall, while conducting operations on the leased premises, keep said premises free of all rubbish, cans, bottles, paper cups or garbage, and upon completion of operations shall restore the surface of the land to as near its original condition and contours as is practicable. Tanks and equipment will be kept painted and presentable.

26. REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT. Subject to limitations in this paragraph, Lessee shall have the right to remove machinery and fixtures placed by Lessee on the leased premises, including the right to draw and remove casing, within one hundred twenty (120) days after the expiration or the termination of this lease unless the owner of the soil grants Lessee an extension of this 120-day period. However, Lessee may not remove casing from any well capable of producing oil and gas in paying quantities. Additionally, Lessee may not draw and remove casing until after thirty (30) days written notice to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and to the owner of the soil. The owner of the soil shall become the owner of any machinery, fixtures, or casing which are not timely removed by Lessee under the terms of this paragraph.

27. (A) ASSIGNMENTS. Under the conditions contained in this paragraph and Paragraph 29 of this lease, the rights and estates of either party to this lease may be assigned, in whole or in part, and the provisions of this lease shall extend to and be binding upon their heirs, devisees, legal representatives, successors and assigns. However, a change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties will not enlarge the obligations of

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Lessee, diminish the rights, privileges and estates of Lessee, impair the effectiveness of any payment made by Lessee or impair the effectiveness of any act performed by Lessee. And no change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties shall bind Lessee for any purpose until thirty (30) days after the owner of the soil (or his heirs, devisees, legal representatives or assigns) furnishes the Lessee with satisfactory written evidence of the change in ownership, including the original recorded muniments of title (or a certified copy of such original) when the ownership changed because of a conveyance. A total or partial assignment of this lease shall, to the extent of the interest assigned, relieve and discharge Lessee of all subsequent obligations under this lease. If this lease is assigned in its entirety as to only part of the acreage, the right and option to pay rentals shall be apportioned as between the several owners ratably, according to the area of each, and failure by one or more of them to pay his share of the rental shall not affect this lease on the part of the land upon which pro rata rentals are timely paid or tendered; however, if the assignor or assignee does not file a certified copy of such assignment in the General Land Office before the next rental paying date, the entire lease shall terminate for failure to pay the entire rental due under Paragraph 3. Every assignee shall succeed to all rights and be subject to all obligations, liabilities, and penalties owed to the State by the original lessee or any prior assignee of the lease, including any liabilities to the State for unpaid royalties.

(B) ASSIGNMENT LIMITATION. Notwithstanding any provision in Paragraph 27(a), if the owner of the soil acquires this lease in whole or in part by assignment without the prior written approval of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, this lease is void as of the time of assignment and the agency power of the owner may be forfeited by the Commissioner. An assignment will be treated as if it were made to the owner of the soil if the assignee is:

- (1) a nominee of the owner of the soil;
- (2) a corporation or subsidiary in which the owner of the soil is a principal stockholder or is an employee of such a corporation or subsidiary;
- (3) a partnership in which the owner of the soil is a partner or is an employee of such a partnership;
- (4) a principal stockholder or employee of the corporation which is the owner of the soil;
- (5) a partner or employee in a partnership which is the owner of the soil;
- (6) a fiduciary for the owner of the soil; including but not limited to a guardian, trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, or conservator for the owner of the soil; or
- (7) a family member of the owner of the soil or related to the owner of the soil by marriage, blood, or adoption.

28. RELEASES. Under the conditions contained in this paragraph and Paragraph 29, Lessee may at any time execute and deliver to the owner of the soil and place of record a release or releases covering any portion or portions of the leased premises, and thereby surrender this lease as to such portion or portions, and be relieved of all subsequent obligations as to acreage surrendered. If any part of this lease is properly surrendered, the delay rental due under this lease shall be reduced by the proportion that the surrendered acreage bears to the acreage which was covered by this lease immediately prior to such surrender; however, such release will not relieve Lessee of any liabilities which may have accrued under this lease prior to the surrender of such acreage.

29. FILING OF ASSIGNMENTS AND RELEASES. If all or any part of this lease is assigned or released, such assignment or release must be recorded in the county where the land is situated, and the recorded instrument, or a copy of the recorded instrument certified by the County Clerk of the county in which the instrument is recorded, must be filed in the General Land Office within 90 days of the last execution date accompanied by the prescribed filing fee. If any such assignment is not so filed, the rights acquired under this lease shall be subject to forfeiture at the option of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

30. DISCLOSURE CLAUSE. All provisions pertaining to the lease of the above-described land have been included in this instrument, including the statement of the true consideration to be paid for the execution of this lease and the rights and duties of the parties. Any collateral agreements concerning the development of oil and gas from the leased premises which are not contained in this lease render this lease invalid.

31. FIDUCIARY DUTY. The owner of the soil owes the State a fiduciary duty and must fully disclose any facts affecting the State's interest in the leased premises. When the interests of the owner of the soil conflict with those of the State, the owner of the soil is obligated to put the State's interests before his personal interests.

32. FORFEITURE. If Lessee shall fail or refuse to make the payment of any sum within thirty days after it becomes due, or if Lessee or an authorized agent should knowingly make any false return or false report concerning production or drilling, or if Lessee shall fail or refuse to drill any offset well or wells in good faith as required by law and the rules and regulations adopted by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, or if Lessee should fail to file reports in the manner required by law or fail to comply with rules and regulations promulgated by the General Land Office, the School Land Board, or the Railroad Commission, or if Lessee should refuse the proper authority access to the records pertaining to operations, or if Lessee or an authorized agent should knowingly fail or refuse to give correct information to the proper authority, or knowingly fail or refuse to furnish the General Land Office a correct log of any well, or if Lessee shall knowingly violate any of the material provisions of this lease, or if this lease is assigned and the assignment is not filed in the General Land Office as required by law, the rights acquired under this lease shall be subject to forfeiture by the Commissioner, and he shall forfeit same when sufficiently informed of the facts which authorize a forfeiture, and when forfeited the area shall again be subject to lease under the terms of the Relinquishment Act. However, nothing herein shall be construed as waiving the automatic termination of this lease by operation of law or by reason of any special limitation arising hereunder. Forfeitures may be set aside and this lease and all rights thereunder reinstated before the rights of another intervene upon satisfactory evidence to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of future compliance with the provisions of the law and of this lease and the rules and regulations that may be adopted relative hereto.

33. LIEN. In accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code 52.136, the State shall have a first lien upon all oil and gas produced from the area covered by this lease to secure payment of all unpaid royalty and other sums of money that may become due under this lease. By acceptance of this lease, Lessee grants the State, in addition to the lien provided by Texas Natural Resources Code 52.136 and any other applicable statutory lien, an express contractual lien on and security interest in all leased minerals in and extracted from the leased premises, all proceeds which may accrue to Lessee from the sale of such leased minerals, whether such proceeds are held by Lessee or by a third party, and all fixtures on and improvements to the leased premises used in connection with the production or processing of such leased minerals in order to secure the payment of all royalties or other amounts due or to become due under this lease and to secure payment of any damages or loss that Lessor may suffer by reason of Lessee's breach of any covenant or condition of this lease, whether express or implied. This lien and security interest may be foreclosed with or without court proceedings in the manner provided in the Title 1, Chap. 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code. Lessee agrees that the Commissioner may require Lessee to execute and record such instruments as may be reasonably necessary to acknowledge, attach or perfect this lien. Lessee hereby represents that there are no prior or superior liens arising from and relating to Lessee's activities upon the above-described property or from Lessee's acquisition of this lease. Should the Commissioner at any time determine that this representation is not true, then the Commissioner may declare this lease forfeited as provided herein.

34. POOLING. Lessee is hereby granted the right to pool or unitize the royalty interest of the owner of the soil under this lease with any other leasehold or mineral interest for the exploration, development and production of oil or gas or either of them upon the same terms as shall be approved by the School Land Board and the Commissioner of the General Land Office for the pooling or unitizing of the interest of the State under this lease pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code 52.151-52.154. The owner of the soil agrees that the inclusion of this provision in this lease satisfies the execution requirements stated in Texas Natural Resources Code 52.152.

35. INDEMNITY. Lessee hereby releases and discharges the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees, partners, agents, contractors, subcontractors, guests, invitees, and their respective successors and assigns, of and from all and any actions and causes of action of every nature, or other harm, including environmental harm, for which recovery of damages is sought, including, but not limited to, all losses and expenses which are caused by the activities of Lessee, its officers, employees, and agents arising out of, incidental to, or resulting from, the operations of or for Lessee on the leased premises hereunder, or that may arise out of or be occasioned by Lessee's breach of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement, or by any other negligent or strictly liable act or omission of Lessee. Further, Lessee hereby agrees to be liable for, exonerate, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees and agents, their successors or assigns, against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, actions, personal injury (including death), costs and expenses, or other harm for which recovery of damages is sought, under any theory including tort, contract, or strict liability, including attorneys' fees and other legal expenses, including those related to environmental hazards, on the leased premises or in any way related to Lessee's failure to comply with any and all environmental laws; those arising from or in any way related to Lessee's operations or any other of Lessee's activities on the leased premises; those arising from Lessee's use of the surface of the leased premises; and those that may arise out of or be occasioned by Lessee's breach of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement or any other act or omission of Lessee, its directors, officers, employees, partners, agents, contractors, subcontractors, guests, invitees, and their respective successors and assigns. Each assignee of this Agreement, or an interest therein, agrees to be liable for, exonerate, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees, and agents in the same manner provided above in connection with the activities of Lessee, its officers, employees, and agents as described above. **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE EXPRESSLY LIMITED HEREIN, ALL OF THE INDEMNITY OBLIGATIONS AND/OR LIABILITIES ASSUMED UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE WITHOUT LIMITS AND**

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WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CAUSE OR CAUSES THEREOF (EXCLUDING PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS), STRICT LIABILITY, OR THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PARTY OR PARTIES (INCLUDING THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY), WHETHER SUCH NEGLIGENCE BE SOLE, JOINT, CONCURRENT, ACTIVE, OR PASSIVE.

36. ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS. Lessee shall use the highest degree of care and all reasonable safeguards to prevent contamination or pollution of any environmental medium, including soil, surface waters, groundwater, sediments, and surface or subsurface strata, ambient air or any other environmental medium in, on, or under, the leased premises, by any waste, pollutant, or contaminant. Lessee shall not bring or permit to remain on the leased premises any asbestos containing materials, explosives, toxic materials, or substances regulated as hazardous wastes, hazardous materials, hazardous substances (as the term "Hazardous Substance" is defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601, et seq.), or toxic substances under any federal, state, or local law or regulation ("Hazardous Materials"), except ordinary products commonly used in connection with oil and gas exploration and development operations and stored in the usual manner and quantities. LESSEE'S VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING PROHIBITION SHALL CONSTITUTE A MATERIAL BREACH AND DEFAULT HEREUNDER AND LESSEE SHALL INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFEND THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE OWNER OF THE SOIL FROM AND AGAINST ANY CLAIMS, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES, LIABILITIES, AND COSTS (INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COURT COSTS) CAUSED BY OR ARISING OUT OF (1) A VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING PROHIBITION OR (2) THE PRESENCE, RELEASE, OR DISPOSAL OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ON, UNDER, OR ABOUT THE LEASED PREMISES DURING LESSEE'S OCCUPANCY OR CONTROL OF THE LEASED PREMISES. LESSEE SHALL CLEAN UP, REMOVE, REMEDY AND REPAIR ANY SOIL OR GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION AND DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE PRESENCE OR RELEASE OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IN, ON, UNDER, OR ABOUT THE LEASED PREMISES DURING LESSEE'S OCCUPANCY OF THE LEASED PREMISES IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF APPLICABLE LAW. THIS INDEMNIFICATION AND ASSUMPTION SHALL APPLY, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, LIABILITY FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN PURSUANT TO CERCLA OR ANY OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL LAW OR REGULATION. LESSEE SHALL IMMEDIATELY GIVE THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE OWNER OF THE SOIL WRITTEN NOTICE OF ANY BREACH OR SUSPECTED BREACH OF THIS PARAGRAPH, UPON LEARNING OF THE PRESENCE OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, OR UPON RECEIVING A NOTICE FROM ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY PERTAINING TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WHICH MAY AFFECT THE LEASED PREMISES. THE OBLIGATIONS OF LESSEE HEREUNDER SHALL SURVIVE THE EXPIRATION OR EARLIER TERMINATION, FOR ANY REASON, OF THIS AGREEMENT.

37. APPLICABLE LAW. This lease is issued under the provisions of Texas Natural Resources Code 52.171 through 52.190, commonly known as the Relinquishment Act, and other applicable statutes and amendments thereto, and if any provision in this lease does not conform to these statutes, the statutes will prevail over any nonconforming lease provisions.

38. EXECUTION. This oil and gas lease must be signed and acknowledged by the Lessee before it is filed of record in the county records and in the General Land Office of the State of Texas. Once the filing requirements found in Paragraph 39 of this lease have been satisfied, the effective date of this lease shall be the date found on Page 1.

39. LEASE FILING. Pursuant to Chapter 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code, this lease must be filed of record in the office of the County Clerk in any county in which all or any part of the leased premises is located, and certified copies thereof must be filed in the General Land Office. This lease is not effective until a certified copy of this lease (which is made and certified by the County Clerk from his records) is filed in the General Land Office in accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code 52.183. Additionally, this lease shall not be binding upon the State unless it recites the actual and true consideration paid or promised for execution of this lease. The bonus due the State and the prescribed filing fee shall accompany such certified copy to the General Land Office.

ADDENDUM PROVISION - #40, 41, 42 AND 43

40. DELAY RENTALS. As stipulated in Paragraph #3 of this lease, the rentals for this lease have been PAID-UP for the second (2nd) and third (3rd) years of the primary term hereof. Lessee or its assigns shall have the right to keep this lease in force and effect for the fourth (4th) and fifth (5th) years of the primary term provided for herein by tendering a payment of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) per net acre prior to January 12, 2014, as to any acreage covered hereby and not otherwise being maintained by any other provision herein at such time.

41. WATER WELLS. Lessee shall have use of water from the land leased herein, and purchased from Lessor at the rate of \$7,500 per well drilled by Lessee. Any water well which Lessee drills shall be cased from top to bottom; the surface pipe shall be enclosed in concrete either two feet square or two feet in diameter in the form of a circle with sufficient length of the pipe protruding above the enclosure to facilitate installation of connections or well equipment. On termination of Lessee's use of a well, Lessor shall have the option of assuming ownership of the well. If Lessor accepts the well, the well shall be capped-off, and turned over to the surface owner by written notice, and the well, casing, pump, and electrical poles and lines leading to the well, shall become the property of the surface owner and shall be left by Lessee in the same condition as when water was last obtained from it by Lessee. Furthermore, if Lessor accepts the well, it is agreed that Lessor will accept all responsibility for such well or wells and the plugging of same at no cost to Lessee, and will hold Lessee harmless from any claims, damages or any other causes of action against Lessee during that time Lessor elects to operate same. If Lessor elects not to assume ownership of the well, Lessee shall plug the well and remove all related equipment.

42. Lessee agrees to furnish Lessor copies of logs showing the intervals and depths in which Lessee encounters fresh water aquifers.

43. If, at the expiration of the primary term, this lease is being maintained in force under any provision of the lease, or within 180 days prior to the expiration of the primary term Lessee has completed a well as a dry hole or commenced a well on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith, or Lessee is then engaged in operations on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith, Lessee agrees to begin a continuous drilling program within 180 days after the end of the primary term or within 180 days after completion of such well or the cessation of such operations, whichever is the later date; and thereafter to carry on the continuous drilling program on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith until all proration units have been drilled, allowing not more than 180 days to elapse between the completion of one well and the commencement of the succeeding well. Should Lessee fail to begin the continuous drilling program or subsequently default in the performance thereof, then in either event, this lease shall terminate as to all lands covered hereby, save and except for the proration unit surrounding each well then producing, capable of producing or upon which operations are being conducted, limited, respectively, to those depths from the surface down to the stratigraphic equivalent of the depth 100 feet below the base of the deepest penetrated formation. As used in this paragraph: i) the term "commission" means the Railroad Commission of the State of Texas or any successor agency, ii) the term "proration unit" means any acreage designated as a drilling unit or production unit in accordance with the rules of the commission (or any other governmental authority having jurisdiction) or any unit formed by pooling as provided in this lease or otherwise, iii) the terms "commenced" and "commencement" mean the date when a well is spudded, and iv) the terms "completed" and "completion" mean the date the initial potential test report is filed with the commission, if a productive well, or the date the plugging report is filed with the commission, if a dry hole, in either event no later than 60 days after the drilling rig has been released. Notwithstanding the partial termination of this lease, Lessee shall continue to have the rights of ingress and egress across all of the leased premises to and from lands that remain subject to this lease, or lands pooled therewith, for the purposes described in paragraph 1 hereof, together with easements and rights of way for roads, pipelines, flowlines and other facilities on or across all of the leased premises for the exploration, development, production, gathering or transportation of oil, gas and other products from the lands still subject to this lease or lands pooled therewith. The sole liability or penalty for the failure of Lessee to drill any well or wells required or permitted by this lease shall be the termination or partial termination of Lessee's rights under the lease as provided above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date first above written.

LESSEE: PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP, by P-H Energy, LLC
Its General Partner

BY: D.R. Deffenbaugh

Title: Vice President - Land

Date: 3-10-11



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STATE OF TEXAS

BY: L.H. MEEKER

As Co-Trustee under the will of J.R. Meeker for the lifetime benefit of L.H. Meeker and as agent for the State of Texas

Date: 1/11/11

STATE OF TEXAS

BY: J. WADE MEEKER

As Co-Trustee under the will of J.R. Meeker for the lifetime benefit of L.H. Meeker and as agent for the State of Texas

Date: 1/11/11

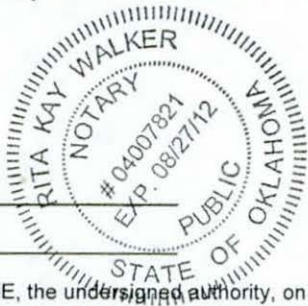
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

(CORPORATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

COUNTY OF TULSA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared D.R. Deffenbaugh known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instruments as Vice President - Land of P-H Energy, LLC and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity stated, and as the act and deed of said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 10th day of March, 20 11.



Rita Kay Walker
Notary Public in and for _____

STATE OF _____

(CORPORATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

COUNTY OF _____

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____ known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instruments as _____ of _____ and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity stated, and as the act and deed of said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Notary Public in and for _____

STATE OF Texas

(INDIVIDUAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

COUNTY OF Tarrant

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared J.R. Meeker

known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.



Given under my hand and seal of office this the 15th day of January, 20 11.

Jennifer Lynn Miller
Notary Public in and for Texas

STATE OF Texas

(INDIVIDUAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

COUNTY OF Tarrant

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared J. Wade Meeker

known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 15th day of January, 20 11.



Jennifer Lynn Miller
Notary Public in and for Texas



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EXHIBIT "A"
SURFACE USE AGREEMENT

Attached to and made a part of that certain Oil and Gas Lease dated January 11, 2011 from the State of Texas, acting by and through its agent, L.H. MEEKER AND JULIAN WADE MEEKER AS TRUSTEES FOR THE LIFETIME BENEFIT OF L.H. MEEKER UNDER THE WILL OF J.R. MEEKER, as Lessor, in favor of PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP, as Lessee, covering lands in Reeves County, Texas.

It is agreed and understood that any payments of monies made pursuant to the provisions and/or terms of this lease including but not limited to payments designated to be paid to "Lessor" shall be paid in equal proportions with 50% of any such payments payable to the State of Texas and the remaining 50% of such payments payable to the owner(s) of the soil in proportion to the undivided interest of any such owner(s) of the soil at the time such payments are to be made.

"Lessee," as used herein shall include Lessee's agents and representatives, and "Lessor," as used herein, shall include Lessor's agents and representatives.

In the furtherance of the purposes and objectives set forth in this lease, Lessor and Lessee further agree that their respective rights, obligations and entitlements regarding the use of the surface of said land (as defined in the lease) are as follows:

1. ROADS. Lessee shall have the right to build, in segments, roads to access and service any and all wells, gas pipelines, gas gathering and gas processing plants, and all other facilities, stations, systems and equipment located on said land, provided they are in the furtherance of the objectives of this lease. Lessee will pay Lessor a one time payment of **One Dollar per linear foot** for the road easement/right-of-way and as damages for each segment of road so built. The number of linear feet on a particular road shall be determined by measuring the actual distance with a rolling measurement tool designed for such a purpose. Such payment shall be made prior to the commencement of each segment of road. Lessee agrees to grade and gravel all roads, as necessary, and confine all travel incident to the drilling and production of such well to the single graded road. Lessee shall have the right to use existing roads and gates without payment of additional consideration, but Lessee will consult with Lessor regarding its use of existing roads and gates to be certain that Lessee's use does not unreasonably interfere with Lessor's use thereof. Lessee will maintain all roads and gates used in connection with its operations in a state of good condition and repair. Lessee shall have the right to place its own lock on any gate which it must pass through to conduct its operations, and Lessor shall be entitled to a key or combination to all of Lessee's locks. In regards to maintenance of roads and gates used by Lessee, Lessee shall repair the damaged portions within a reasonable time after written notice by Lessor of need for such repair, and Lessee agrees to work with Lessor to keep them in a continuous state of good condition and repair. In connection with any roads built by Lessee, Lessee agrees to consult with Lessor as to the location of such roads and will construct division terraces as may be reasonably necessary to reduce soil erosion. If Lessor requests, Lessee will install cattle guards or, at Lessor's option, pipe gates to the side of such cattle guard at each fence crossing. If Lessee decides to abandon a road, or a portion of a road, built under the terms of this lease, Lessee will notify Lessor in writing of its abandonment, after which time Lessee will no longer be entitled to use the abandoned portion. Once Lessee abandons a road, or a portion thereof, Lessee shall no longer be responsible for maintaining it. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of said amount, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

2. DRILLING LOCATIONS. Lessor grants to Lessee the right to build drilling locations on said land. Lessee will pay Lessor the **total sum of \$1,000 for each such location**. Payment will be made to Lessor prior to Lessee's commencement of dirt work on each location; however, Lessee will have the right to survey and stake wells prior to making such payment. No additional consideration shall be due Lessor for a substitute or replacement well that is located within 150 feet (plus a tolerance of 10%, plus a reasonable distance if the terrain or improvements thereon so necessitate) of the original borehole. After the drilling and completion of a producing well, Lessee will reduce the size of the location to the smallest reasonable area, as determined solely by Lessee, necessary to operate the well and to perform any workover operations. Pits will be filled and drilling locations will be restored as nearly as practicable to their original condition and contour within 180 days of completion (whether as a dry hole or a producer) of each well, weather permitting. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of said amount, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

3. PIPELINES, SEPARATORS, DEHYDRATORS, COMPRESSORS, GAS GATHERING AND PROCESSING FACILITIES. Lessee shall have the right to lay water pipelines, oil pipelines and gas pipelines, and to build separators, dehydrators, compressors, gas gathering and processing facilities and systems, and to lay or build any other pipelines, equipment or facilities on said land that are in the furtherance of the purposes and objectives of this lease. The consideration and damages to which Lessor will be entitled for any of these lines, systems and facilities will be negotiated when it is determined where they are to be located and how much land is needed. Lessor and Lessee agree that the consideration to which Lessor will be entitled shall be the **fair market value** of similar lands in the area of the land so used. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of the agreed upon consideration and damages, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

4. DUTY TO FENCE AND RESTORE SURFACE. When requested by Lessor, Lessee agrees to promptly fence all pits and installations to prevent entry into such pits and installations by livestock. Lessee agrees, within a reasonable time after the completion of drilling or reworking operations, to remove all driller's mud and chemicals, to level all dumps and mounds, fill all holes, pits, ditches and excavations, and at Lessor's election



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remove or burn all brush and debris, and remove all concrete blocks or other objects placed upon said land, or upon the terminated portion of such lease, as the case may be, and return the surface of the land substantially to the same condition as it was before the commencement of such operations, subject only to reasonable wear and tear.

5. FENCES AND GATES. Lessee agrees that Lessee will not cut or go over any fence or fences of Lessor at any time or in connection with any operations on said land, without first obtaining written consent from Lessor. If such consent to the cutting of a fence is obtained, the cuts must be made at the place designated by Lessor; and Lessee agrees, prior to cutting any fence, to brace the existing fence adequately on both sides of the proposed cut so that when the fence is cut, there will be no slacking of the wires. If Lessor so requests, Lessee will install and maintain a substantial metal cattle guard capable of turning cattle, promptly after making such cut. Lessee will install a substantial metal gate, which shall be kept locked when not in actual use. Lessor may install its own locks in addition to Lessee's lock on said gate, and if so, Lessor will provide Lessee with keys (or combination) to the lock. Upon termination of this lease, or the portion thereof on which a cattle guard or gate is located, such cattle guard and gate shall, at the option of Lessor, become Lessor's property. So long as this lease shall remain in force, gates and cattle guards used by Lessee shall be maintained by Lessee in good condition and repair, capable of turning cattle. Lessee agrees to promptly close all gates and lock all outside gates which Lessee may use in Lessee's operations on said land.

6. SURFACE DAMAGES. In further accordance with Provision #22 – AUTHORIZED DAMAGES – herein, Lessee shall at all times use a reasonable degree of care in all of its operations on said land to prevent injury or damage to the grass, crops, cattle, livestock, buildings or other property situated thereon, or to water wells or tanks located thereon. Lessee agrees not to allow any waste oil or salt water to flow over the surface of said land, nor to allow same to drain down any draws, drains, creeks or ravines, nor allow same to contaminate any tanks, ground water or underground water thereon. Lessee shall dispose of such salt water and waste oil in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Unless otherwise specifically addressed above, Lessee shall pay Lessor for any damages to Lessor's surface that are the direct result of Lessee's actions in the furtherance of the purposes and objectives of this lease, and the damages to which Lessor shall be entitled will be negotiated within a reasonable period of time after the occurrence. If Lessor and Lessee are unable to agree upon the damages or consideration to be paid to Lessor, Lessee's rights hereunder shall not be postponed or delayed pending any determination of the amount of such damages or compensation. Under no circumstances shall such damages exceed the fair market value of the damaged or contaminated land, unless such damages are the result of Lessee's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

7. FIRE PREVENTION AND CLEANUP. Lessee will use its best efforts to prevent fires on said land and will use its best efforts to prevent papers, boxes, sacks and containers and waste materials of any kind from coming on said land and littering the premises.

8. SPEED LIMITS. Lessee agrees to observe and obey all posted speed limits on the premises.

9. SEISMIC. Lessee shall have the non-exclusive right to conduct seismic operations across said land. If Lessee conducts such operations, Lessee shall be required to compensate Lessor for damages at the rate of \$2.00 per surface acre covered by the shoot. Lessor shall be paid in advance of any seismic operations.

10. NO HUNTING OR FISHING. Lessee is not allowed to engage in hunting or fishing on said land without the written consent of Lessor; neither is Lessee allowed to bring any dog, firearm, or fishing tackle upon said land, without the written consent of Lessor. Lessor shall have the right, at all reasonable times and at its own expense, to inspect vehicles entering upon said land, for the purpose of verifying that no such articles are being brought on to said land.

11. ENUMERATED RIGHTS. Lessee's rights, as enumerated above, are in addition to any and all other rights that an oil and gas Lessee would have under the laws of the State of Texas.

12. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. The terms in this lease and this surface use agreement shall be binding upon Lessor and Lessee, and their successors and assigns.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Fort Worth, Texas, this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Deanna O. Pritchett, County Clerk
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Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner

By *[Signature]*

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEVES

I, Dianne O. Florez, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of

Oil & Gas Lease dated 11/11/11 filed for record in my office this 1st day of April at 8:28 A.M. under Clerk's File No. 1879

to be recorded in the Official Public Records of Reeves County, Texas.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Pecos, Texas this 1st day of April, 2011.

By *[Signature]* Deputy.

[Signature]
DIANNE O. FLOREZ, COUNTY CLERK
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

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General Land Office
Relinquishment Act Lease Form
Revised, September 1997

The State of Texas



Austin, Texas

OIL AND GAS LEASE

Find up and 3 1/2 yr
4th yr Rental \$1200.00

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 11th day of January, 2011, between the State of Texas, acting by and through its agent, WINDI GRIMES, SOLE TRUSTEE OF THE AWP 1983 TRUST of 3310 WEST MAIN STREET, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77098 (Give Permanent Address)

said agent herein referred to as the owner of the soil (whether one or more), and PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP of 6100 SOUTH YALE STREET, SUITE 500, TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74136 hereinafter called Lessee. (Give Permanent Address)

1. GRANTING CLAUSE. For and in consideration of the amounts stated below and of the covenants and agreements to be paid, kept and performed by Lessee under this lease, the State of Texas acting by and through the owner of the soil, hereby grants, leases and lets unto Lessee, for the sole and only purpose of prospecting and drilling for and producing oil and gas, laying pipe lines, building tanks, storing oil and building power stations, telephone lines and other structures thereon, to produce, save, take care of, treat and transport said products of the lease, the following lands situated in REEVES County, State of Texas, to-wit:

Tract 1: All of Section 43, A-4005 & A-4204, all of Section 44, A-4006 and all of Section 45, A-4007, Block 59, PSL Survey

FOR ADDITIONAL TERMS AND PROVISIONS, SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Containing 1920.000 acres, more or less. The bonus consideration paid for this lease is as follows:

To the State of Texas: EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$84,000.00)

To the owner of the soil: EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$84,000.00)

Total bonus consideration: ONE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$168,000.00)

The total bonus consideration paid represents a bonus of ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND 00/100 Dollars (\$1200.00) per acre, on 140.000 net acres.

2. TERM. Subject to the other provisions in this lease, this lease shall be for a term of FIVE years from this date (herein called "primary term") and as long thereafter as oil and gas, or either of them, is produced in paying quantities from said land. As used in this lease, the term "produced in paying quantities" means that the receipts from the sale or other authorized commercial use of the substance(s) covered exceed out of pocket operational expenses for the six months last past.

3. DELAY RENTALS. If no well is commenced on the leased premises on or before one (1) year from this date, this lease shall terminate, unless on or before such anniversary date Lessee shall pay or tender to the owner of the soil or to his credit in the Bank, at PAY DIRECTLY TO OWNER OF THE SOIL or its successors (which shall continue as the depository regardless of changes in the ownership of said land), the amount specified below; in addition, Lessee shall pay or tender to the COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT AUSTIN, TEXAS, a like sum on or before said date. Payments under this paragraph shall operate as a rental and shall cover the privilege of deferring the commencement of a well for one (1) year from said date. Payments under this paragraph shall be in the following amounts:

To the owner of the soil: Dollars (\$)

To the State of Texas: REFER TO ADDENDUM PARAGRAPH 40 (THIS IS A PAID UP LEASE) Dollars (\$)

Total Delay Rental: Dollars (\$)

In a like manner and upon like payments or tenders annually, the commencement of a well may be further deferred for successive periods of one (1) year each during the primary term. All payments or tenders of rental to the owner of the soil may be made by check or sight draft of Lessee, or any assignee of this lease, and may be delivered on or before the rental paying date. If the bank designated in this paragraph (or its successor bank) should cease to exist, suspend business, liquidate, fail or be succeeded by another bank, or for any reason fail or refuse to accept rental, Lessee shall not be held in default for failure to make such payments or tenders of rental until thirty (30) days after the owner of the soil shall deliver to Lessee a proper recordable instrument naming another bank as agent to receive such payments or tenders



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4. PRODUCTION ROYALTIES. Upon production of oil and/or gas, Lessee agrees to pay or cause to be paid one-half (1/2) of the royalty provided for in this lease to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, and one-half (1/2) of such royalty to the owner of the soil:

(A) OIL. Royalty payable on oil, which is defined as including all hydrocarbons produced in a liquid form at the mouth of the well and also as all condensate, distillate, and other liquid hydrocarbons recovered from oil or gas run through a separator or other equipment, as hereinafter provided, shall be 1/4 part of the gross production or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such value to be determined by 1) the highest posted price, plus premium, if any, offered or paid for oil, condensate, distillate, or other liquid hydrocarbons, respectively, of a like type and gravity in the general area where produced and when run, or 2) the highest market price thereof offered or paid in the general area where produced and when run, or 3) the gross proceeds of the sale thereof, whichever is the greater. Lessee agrees that before any gas produced from the leased premises is sold, used or processed in a plant, it will be run free of cost to the royalty owners through an adequate oil and gas separator of conventional type, or other equipment at least as efficient, so that all liquid hydrocarbons recoverable from the gas by such means will be recovered. The requirement that such gas be run through a separator or other equipment may be waived, in writing, by the royalty owners upon such terms and conditions as they prescribe.

(B) NON PROCESSED GAS. Royalty on any gas (including flared gas), which is defined as all hydrocarbons and gaseous substances not defined as oil in subparagraph (A) above, produced from any well on said land (except as provided herein with respect to gas processed in a plant for the extraction of gasoline, liquid hydrocarbons or other products) shall be 1/4 part of the gross production or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such value to be based on the highest market price paid or offered for gas of comparable quality in the general area where produced and when run, or the gross price paid or offered to the producer, whichever is the greater; provided that the maximum pressure base in measuring the gas under this lease shall not at any time exceed 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard base temperature shall be sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit, correction to be made for pressure according to Boyle's Law, and for specific gravity according to tests made by the Balance Method or by the most approved method of testing being used by the industry at the time of testing.

(C) PROCESSED GAS. Royalty on any gas processed in a gasoline plant or other plant for the recovery of gasoline or other liquid hydrocarbons shall be 1/4 part of the residue gas and the liquid hydrocarbons extracted or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office. All royalties due herein shall be based on one hundred percent (100%) of the total plant production of residue gas attributable to gas produced from this lease, and on fifty percent (50%), or that percent accruing to Lessee, whichever is the greater, of the total plant production of liquid hydrocarbons attributable to the gas produced from this lease; provided that if liquid hydrocarbons are recovered from gas processed in a plant in which Lessee (or its parent, subsidiary or affiliate) owns an interest, then the percentage applicable to liquid hydrocarbons shall be fifty percent (50%) or the highest percent accruing to a third party processing gas through such plant under a processing agreement negotiated at arm's length (or if there is no such third party, the highest percent then being specified in processing agreements or contracts in the industry), whichever is the greater. The respective royalties on residue gas and on liquid hydrocarbons shall be determined by 1) the highest market price paid or offered for any gas (or liquid hydrocarbons) of comparable quality in the general area, or 2) the gross price paid or offered for such residue gas (or the weighted average gross selling price for the respective grades of liquid hydrocarbons), whichever is the greater. In no event, however, shall the royalties payable under this paragraph be less than the royalties which would have been due had the gas not been processed.

(D) OTHER PRODUCTS. Royalty on carbon black, sulphur or any other products produced or manufactured from gas (excepting liquid hydrocarbons) whether said gas be "casinghead," "dry," or any other gas, by fractionating, burning or any other processing shall be 1/4 part of the gross production of such products, or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such market value to be determined as follows: 1) on the basis of the highest market price of each product for the same month in which such product is produced, or 2) on the basis of the average gross sale price of each product for the same month in which such products are produced; whichever is the greater.

5. MINIMUM ROYALTY. During any year after the expiration of the primary term of this lease, if this lease is maintained by production, the royalties paid under this lease in no event shall be less than an amount equal to the total annual delay rental herein provided; otherwise, there shall be due and payable on or before the last day of the month succeeding the anniversary date of this lease a sum equal to the total annual rental less the amount of royalties paid during the preceding year. If Paragraph 3 of this lease does not specify a delay rental amount, then for the purposes of this paragraph, the delay rental amount shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per acre.

6. ROYALTY IN KIND. Notwithstanding any other provision in this lease, at any time or from time to time, the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office may, at the option of either, upon not less than sixty (60) days notice to the holder of the lease, require that the payment of any royalties accruing to such royalty owner under this lease be made in kind. The owner of the soil's or the Commissioner of the General Land Office's right to take its royalty in kind shall not diminish or negate the owner of the soil's or the Commissioner of the General Land Office's rights or Lessee's obligations, whether express or implied, under this lease.

7. NO DEDUCTIONS. Lessee agrees that all royalties accruing under this lease (including those paid in kind) shall be without deduction for the cost of producing, gathering, storing, separating, treating, dehydrating, compressing, processing, transporting, and otherwise making the oil, gas and other products hereunder ready for sale or use. Lessee agrees to compute and pay royalties on the gross value received, including any reimbursements for severance taxes and production related costs.

8. PLANT FUEL AND RECYCLED GAS. No royalty shall be payable on any gas as may represent this lease's proportionate share of any fuel used to process gas produced hereunder in any processing plant. Notwithstanding any other provision of this lease, and subject to the written consent of the owner of the soil and the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Lessee may recycle gas for gas lift purposes on the leased premises or for injection into any oil or gas producing formation underlying the leased premises after the liquid hydrocarbons contained in the gas have been removed; no royalties shall be payable on the recycled gas until it is produced and sold or used by Lessee in a manner which entitles the royalty owners to a royalty under this lease.

9. ROYALTY PAYMENTS AND REPORTS. All royalties not taken in kind shall be paid to the Commissioner of the General Land Office at Austin, Texas, in the following manner:

Payment of royalty on production of oil and gas shall be as provided in the rules set forth in the Texas Register. Rules currently provide that royalty on oil is due and must be received in the General Land Office on or before the 5th day of the second month succeeding the month of production, and royalty on gas is due and must be received in the General Land Office on or before the 15th day of the second month succeeding the month of production, accompanied by the affidavit of the owner, manager or other authorized agent, completed in the form and manner prescribed by the General Land Office and showing the gross amount and disposition of all oil and gas produced and the market value of the oil and gas, together with a copy of all documents, records or reports confirming the gross production, disposition and market value including gas meter readings, pipeline receipts, gas line receipts and other checks or memoranda of amount produced and put into pipelines, tanks, or pools and gas lines or gas storage, and any other reports or records which the General Land Office may require to verify the gross production, disposition and market value. In all cases the authority of a manager or agent to act for the Lessee herein must be filed in the General Land Office. Each royalty payment shall be accompanied by a check stub, schedule, summary or other remittance advice showing by the assigned General Land Office lease number the amount of royalty being paid on each lease. If Lessee pays his royalty on or before thirty (30) days after the royalty payment was due, then Lessee owes a penalty of 5% on the royalty or \$25.00, whichever is greater. A royalty payment which is over thirty (30) days late shall accrue a penalty of 10% of the royalty due or \$25.00 whichever is greater. In addition to a penalty, royalties shall accrue interest at a rate of 12% per year; such interest will begin to accrue when the royalty is sixty (60) days overdue. Affidavits and supporting documents which are not filed when due shall incur a penalty in an amount set by the General Land Office administrative rule which is effective on the date when the affidavits or supporting documents were due. The Lessee shall bear all responsibility for paying or causing royalties to be paid as prescribed by the due date provided herein. Payment of the delinquency penalty shall in no way operate to prohibit the State's right of forfeiture as provided by law nor act to postpone the date on which royalties were originally due. The above penalty provisions shall not apply in cases of title dispute as to the State's portion of the royalty or to that portion of the royalty in dispute as to fair market value.

10. (A) RESERVES, CONTRACTS AND OTHER RECORDS. Lessee shall annually furnish the Commissioner of the General Land Office with its best possible estimate of oil and gas reserves underlying this lease or allocable to this lease and shall furnish said Commissioner with copies of all contracts under which gas is sold or processed and all subsequent agreements and amendments to such contracts within thirty (30) days after entering into or making such contracts, agreements or amendments. Such contracts and agreements when received by the General Land Office shall be held in confidence by the General Land Office unless otherwise authorized by Lessee. All other contracts and records pertaining to the production, transportation, sale and marketing of the oil and gas produced on said premises, including the books and accounts, receipts and discharges of all wells, tanks, pools, meters, and pipelines shall at all times be subject to inspection and examination by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Attorney General, the Governor, or the representative of any of them.



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(B) PERMITS, DRILLING RECORDS. Written notice of all operations on this lease shall be submitted to the Commissioner of the General Land Office by Lessee or operator five (5) days before spud date, workover, re-entry, temporary abandonment or plug and abandonment of any well or wells. Such written notice to the General Land Office shall include copies of Railroad Commission forms for application to drill. Copies of well tests, completion reports and plugging reports shall be supplied to the General Land Office at the time they are filed with the Texas Railroad Commission. All applications, permits, reports or other filings that reference this lease or any specific well on the leased premises and that are submitted to the Texas Railroad Commission or any other governmental agency shall include the word "State" in the title. Additionally, in accordance with Railroad Commission rules, any signage on the leased premises for the purpose of identifying wells, tank batteries or other associated improvements to the land must also include the word "State." Lessee shall supply the General Land Office with any records, memoranda, accounts, reports, cuttings and cores, or other information relative to the operation of the above-described premises, which may be requested by the General Land Office, in addition to those herein expressly provided for. Lessee shall have an electrical and/or radioactivity survey made on the bore-hole section, from the base of the surface casing to the total depth of well, of all wells drilled on the above described premises and shall transmit a true copy of the log of each survey on each well to the General Land Office within fifteen (15) days after the making of said survey.

(C) PENALTIES. Lessee shall incur a penalty whenever reports, documents or other materials are not filed in the General Land Office when due. The penalty for late filing shall be set by the General Land Office administrative rule which is effective on the date when the materials were due in the General Land Office.

11. DRY HOLE/CESSATION OF PRODUCTION DURING PRIMARY TERM. If, during the primary term hereof and prior to discovery and production of oil or gas on said land, Lessee should drill a dry hole or holes thereon, or if during the primary term hereof and after the discovery and actual production of oil or gas from the leased premises such production thereof should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if on or before the expiration of sixty (60) days from date of completion of said dry hole or cessation of production Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations thereon, or pays or tenders the next annual delay rental in the same manner as provided in this lease. If, during the last year of the primary term or within sixty (60) days prior thereto, a dry hole be completed and abandoned, or the production of oil or gas should cease for any cause, Lessee's rights shall remain in full force and effect without further operations until the expiration of the primary term; and if Lessee has not resumed production in paying quantities at the expiration of the primary term, Lessee may maintain this lease by conducting additional drilling or reworking operations pursuant to Paragraph 13, using the expiration of the primary term as the date of cessation of production under Paragraph 13. Should the first well or any subsequent well drilled on the above described land be completed as a shut-in oil or gas well within the primary term hereof, Lessee may resume payment of the annual rental in the same manner as provided herein on or before the rental paying date following the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date of completion of such shut-in oil or gas well and upon the failure to make such payment, this lease shall ipso facto terminate. If at the expiration of the primary term or any time thereafter a shut-in oil or gas well is located on the leased premises, payments may be made in accordance with the shut-in provisions hereof.

12. DRILLING AND REWORKING AT EXPIRATION OF PRIMARY TERM. If, at the expiration of the primary term, neither oil nor gas is being produced on said land, but Lessee is then engaged in drilling or reworking operations thereon, this lease shall remain in force so long as operations on said well or for drilling or reworking of any additional wells are prosecuted in good faith and in workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days during any one such operation, and if they result in the production of oil and/or gas, so long thereafter as oil and/or gas is produced in paying quantities from said land, or payment of shut-in oil or gas well royalties or compensatory royalties is made as provided in this lease.

13. CESSATION, DRILLING, AND REWORKING. If, after the expiration of the primary term, production of oil or gas from the leased premises, after once obtained, should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within sixty (60) days after such cessation, and this lease shall remain in full force and effect for so long as such operations continue in good faith and in workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days. If such drilling or reworking operations result in the production of oil or gas, the lease shall remain in full force and effect for so long as oil or gas is produced from the leased premises in paying quantities or payment of shut-in oil or gas well royalties or payment of compensatory royalties is made as provided herein or as provided by law. If the drilling or reworking operations result in the completion of a well as a dry hole, the lease will not terminate if the Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within sixty (60) days after the completion of the well as a dry hole, and this lease shall remain in effect so long as Lessee continues drilling or reworking operations in good faith and in a workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days. Lessee shall give written notice to the General Land Office within thirty (30) days of any cessation of production.

14. SHUT-IN ROYALTIES. For purposes of this paragraph, "well" means any well that has been assigned a well number by the state agency having jurisdiction over the production of oil and gas. If, at any time after the expiration of the primary term of a lease that, until being shut in, was being maintained in force and effect, a well capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities is located on the leased premises, but oil or gas is not being produced for lack of suitable production facilities or lack of a suitable market, then Lessee may pay as a shut-in oil or gas royalty an amount equal to double the annual rental provided in the lease, but not less than \$1,200 a year for each well capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities. If Paragraph 3 of this lease does not specify a delay rental amount, then for the purposes of this paragraph, the delay rental amount shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per acre. To be effective, each initial shut-in oil or gas royalty must be paid on or before: (1) the expiration of the primary term, (2) 60 days after the Lessee ceases to produce oil or gas from the leased premises, or (3) 60 days after Lessee completes a drilling or reworking operation in accordance with the lease provisions; whichever date is latest. Such payment shall be made one-half (1/2) to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and one-half (1/2) to the owner of the soil. If the shut-in oil or gas royalty is paid, the lease shall be considered to be a producing lease and the payment shall extend the term of the lease for a period of one year from the end of the primary term, or from the first day of the month following the month in which production ceased, and, after that, if no suitable production facilities or suitable market for the oil or gas exists, Lessee may extend the lease for four more successive periods of one (1) year by paying the same amount each year on or before the expiration of each shut-in year.

15. COMPENSATORY ROYALTIES. If, during the period the lease is kept in effect by payment of the shut-in oil or gas royalty, oil or gas is sold and delivered in paying quantities from a well located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises and completed in the same producing reservoir, or in any case in which drainage is occurring, the right to continue to maintain the lease by paying the shut-in oil or gas royalty shall cease, but the lease shall remain effective for the remainder of the year for which the royalty has been paid. The Lessee may maintain the lease for four more successive years by Lessee paying compensatory royalty at the royalty rate provided in the lease of the market value of production from the well causing the drainage or which is completed in the same producing reservoir and within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises. The compensatory royalty is to be paid monthly, one-half (1/2) to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and one-half (1/2) to the owner of the soil, beginning on or before the last day of the month following the month in which the oil or gas is produced from the well causing the drainage or that is completed in the same producing reservoir and located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises. If the compensatory royalty paid in any 12-month period is an amount less than the annual shut-in oil or gas royalty, Lessee shall pay an amount equal to the difference within thirty (30) days from the end of the 12-month period. Compensatory royalty payments which are not timely paid will accrue penalty and interest in accordance with Paragraph 9 of this lease. None of these provisions will relieve Lessee of the obligation of reasonable development nor the obligation to drill offset wells as provided in Texas Natural Resources Code 52.173; however, at the determination of the Commissioner, and with the Commissioner's written approval, the payment of compensatory royalties can satisfy the obligation to drill offset wells.

16. RETAINED ACREAGE. Notwithstanding any provision of this lease to the contrary, after a well producing or capable of producing oil or gas has been completed on the leased premises, Lessee shall exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent operator in drilling such additional well or wells as may be reasonably necessary for the proper development of the leased premises and in marketing the production thereon.

(A) VERTICAL. In the event this lease is in force and effect two (2) years after the expiration date of the primary or extended term it shall then terminate as to all of the leased premises, EXCEPT (1) 40 acres surrounding each oil well capable of producing in paying quantities and 320 acres surrounding each gas well capable of producing in paying quantities (including a shut-in oil or gas well as provided in Paragraph 14 hereof), or a well upon which Lessee is then engaged in continuous drilling or reworking operations, or (2) the number of acres included in a producing pooled unit pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code 52.151-52.154, or (3) such greater or lesser number of acres as may then be allocated for production purposes to a proration unit for each such producing well under the rules and regulations of the Railroad Commission of Texas, or any successor agency, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction. If at any time after the effective date of the partial termination provisions hereof, the applicable field rules are changed or the well or wells located thereon are reclassified so that less acreage is thereafter allocated to said well or wells for production purposes, this lease shall thereupon terminate as to all acreage not thereafter allocated to said well or wells for production purposes. Notwithstanding the termination of this lease as to a portion of the lands covered hereby, Lessee shall nevertheless continue to have the right of ingress to and egress from the lands still subject to this lease for all purposes described in Paragraph 1 hereof, together with easements and rights-of-way for existing roads, existing pipelines and other existing facilities on, over and across all the lands described in Paragraph 1 hereof ("the retained lands"), for access to and from the retained lands and for the gathering or transportation of oil, gas and other minerals produced from the retained lands.



(B) HORIZONTAL. In the event this lease is in force and effect two (2) years after the expiration date of the primary or extended term it shall further terminate as to all depths below 100 feet below the total depth drilled (hereinafter "deeper depths") in each well located on acreage retained in Paragraph 16 (A) above, unless on or before two (2) years after the primary or extended term Lessee pays an amount equal to one-half (1/2) of the bonus originally paid as consideration for this lease (as specified on page 1 hereof). If such amount is paid, this lease shall be in force and effect as to such deeper depths, and said termination shall be delayed for an additional period of two (2) years and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities from such deeper depths covered by this lease.

(C) IDENTIFICATION AND FILING. The surface acreage retained hereunder as to each well shall, as nearly as practical, be in the form of a square with the well located in the center thereof, or such other shape as may be approved by the Commissioner of the General Land Office. Within thirty (30) days after partial termination of this lease as provided herein, Lessee shall execute and record a release or releases containing a satisfactory legal description of the acreage and/or depths not retained hereunder. The recorded release, or a certified copy of same, shall be filed in the General Land Office, accompanied by the filing fee prescribed by the General Land Office rules in effect on the date the release is filed. If Lessee fails or refuses to execute and record such release or releases within ninety (90) days after being requested to do so by the General Land Office, then the Commissioner at his sole discretion may designate by written instrument the acreage and/or depths to be released hereunder and record such instrument at Lessee's expense in the county or counties where the lease is located and in the official records of the General Land Office and such designation shall be binding upon Lessee for all purposes.

17. OFFSET WELLS. Neither the bonus, delay rentals, nor royalties paid, or to be paid, under this lease shall relieve Lessee of his obligation to protect the oil and gas under the above-described land from being drained. Lessee, sublessee, receiver or other agent in control of the leased premises shall drill as many wells as the facts may justify and shall use appropriate means and drill to a depth necessary to prevent undue drainage of oil and gas from the leased premises. In addition, if oil and/or gas should be produced in commercial quantities within 1,000 feet of the leased premises, or in any case where the leased premises is being drained by production of oil or gas, the Lessee, sublessee, receiver or other agent in control of the leased premises shall in good faith begin the drilling of a well or wells upon the leased premises within 100 days after the draining well or wells or the well or wells completed within 1,000 feet of the leased premises start producing in commercial quantities and shall prosecute such drilling with diligence. Failure to satisfy the statutory offset obligation may subject this lease and the owner of the soil's agency rights to forfeiture. Only upon the determination of the Commissioner of the General Land Office and with his written approval may the payment of compensatory royalty under applicable statutory parameters satisfy the obligation to drill an offset well or wells required under this paragraph.

18. FORCE MAJEURE. If, after a good faith effort, Lessee is prevented from complying with any express or implied covenant of this lease, from conducting drilling operations on the leased premises, or from producing oil or gas from the leased premises by reason of war, rebellion, riots, strikes, acts of God, or any valid order, rule or regulation of government authority, then while so prevented, Lessee's obligation to comply with such covenant shall be suspended and Lessee shall not be liable for damages for failure to comply with such covenants; additionally, this lease shall be extended while Lessee is prevented, by any such cause, from conducting drilling and reworking operations or from producing oil or gas from the leased premises. However, nothing in this paragraph shall suspend the payment of delay rentals in order to maintain this lease in effect during the primary term in the absence of such drilling or reworking operations or production of oil or gas.

19. WARRANTY CLAUSE. The owner of the soil warrants and agrees to defend title to the leased premises. If the owner of the soil defaults in payments owed on the leased premises, then Lessee may redeem the rights of the owner of the soil in the leased premises by paying any mortgage, taxes or other liens on the leased premises. If Lessee makes payments on behalf of the owner of the soil under this paragraph, Lessee may recover the cost of these payments from the rental and royalties due the owner of the soil.

20. (A) PROPORTIONATE REDUCTION CLAUSE. If the owner of the soil owns less than the entire undivided surface estate in the above described land, whether or not Lessee's interest is specified herein, then the royalties and rental herein provided to be paid to the owner of the soil shall be paid to him in the proportion which his interest bears to the entire undivided surface estate and the royalties and rental herein provided to be paid to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas shall be likewise proportionately reduced. However, before Lessee adjusts the royalty or rental due to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Lessee or his authorized representative must submit to the Commissioner of the General Land Office a written statement which explains the discrepancy between the interest purportedly leased under this lease and the actual interest owned by the owner of the soil. The Commissioner of the General Land Office shall be paid the value of the whole production allocable to any undivided interest not covered by a lease, less the proportionate development and production cost allocable to such undivided interest. However, in no event shall the Commissioner of the General Land Office receive as a royalty on the gross production allocable to the undivided interest not leased an amount less than the value of one-sixteenth (1/16) of such gross production.

(B) REDUCTION OF PAYMENTS. If, during the primary term, a portion of the land covered by this lease is included within the boundaries of a pooled unit that has been approved by the School Land Board and the owner of the soil in accordance with Natural Resources Code Sections 52.151-52.154, or if, at any time after the expiration of the primary term or the extended term, this lease covers a lesser number of acres than the total amount described herein, payments that are made on a per acre basis hereunder shall be reduced according to the number of acres pooled, released, surrendered, or otherwise severed, so that payments determined on a per acre basis under the terms of this lease during the primary term shall be calculated based upon the number of acres outside the boundaries of a pooled unit, or, if after the expiration of the primary term, the number of acres actually retained and covered by this lease.

21. USE OF WATER. Lessee shall have the right to use water produced on said land necessary for operations under this lease except water from wells or tanks of the owner of the soil; provided, however, Lessee shall not use potable water or water suitable for livestock or irrigation purposes for waterflood operations without the prior consent of the owner of the soil.

22. AUTHORIZED DAMAGES. Lessee shall pay the owner of the soil for damages caused by its operations to all personal property, improvements, livestock and crops on said land.

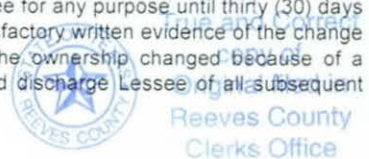
23. PIPELINE DEPTH. When requested by the owner of the soil, Lessee shall bury its pipelines below plow depth.

24. WELL LOCATION LIMIT. No well shall be drilled nearer than two hundred (200) feet to any house or barn now on said premises without the written consent of the owner of the soil.

25. POLLUTION. In developing this area, Lessee shall use the highest degree of care and all proper safeguards to prevent pollution. Without limiting the foregoing, pollution of coastal wetlands, natural waterways, rivers and impounded water shall be prevented by the use of containment facilities sufficient to prevent spillage, seepage or ground water contamination. In the event of pollution, Lessee shall use all means at its disposal to recapture all escaped hydrocarbons or other pollutant and shall be responsible for all damage to public and private properties. Lessee shall build and maintain fences around its slush, sump, and drainage pits and tank batteries so as to protect livestock against loss, damage or injury; and upon completion or abandonment of any well or wells, Lessee shall fill and level all slush pits and cellars and completely clean up the drilling site of all rubbish thereon. Lessee shall, while conducting operations on the leased premises, keep said premises free of all rubbish, cans, bottles, paper cups or garbage, and upon completion of operations shall restore the surface of the land to as near its original condition and contours as is practicable. Tanks and equipment will be kept painted and presentable.

26. REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT. Subject to limitations in this paragraph, Lessee shall have the right to remove machinery and fixtures placed by Lessee on the leased premises, including the right to draw and remove casing, within one hundred twenty (120) days after the expiration or the termination of this lease unless the owner of the soil grants Lessee an extension of this 120-day period. However, Lessee may not remove casing from any well capable of producing oil and gas in paying quantities. Additionally, Lessee may not draw and remove casing until after thirty (30) days written notice to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and to the owner of the soil. The owner of the soil shall become the owner of any machinery, fixtures, or casing which are not timely removed by Lessee under the terms of this paragraph.

27. (A) ASSIGNMENTS. Under the conditions contained in this paragraph and Paragraph 29 of this lease, the rights and estates of either party to this lease may be assigned, in whole or in part, and the provisions of this lease shall extend to and be binding upon their heirs, devisees, legal representatives, successors and assigns. However, a change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties will not enlarge the obligations of Lessee, diminish the rights, privileges and estates of Lessee, impair the effectiveness of any payment made by Lessee or impair the effectiveness of any act performed by Lessee. And no change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties shall bind Lessee for any purpose until thirty (30) days after the owner of the soil (or his heirs, devisees, legal representatives or assigns) furnishes the Lessee with satisfactory written evidence of the change in ownership, including the original recorded muniments of title (or a certified copy of such original) when the ownership changed because of a conveyance. A total or partial assignment of this lease shall, to the extent of the interest assigned, relieve and discharge Lessee of all subsequent





obligations under this lease. If this lease is assigned in its entirety as to only part of the acreage, the right and option to pay rentals shall be apportioned as between the several owners ratably, according to the area of each, and failure by one or more of them to pay his share of the rental shall not affect this lease on the part of the land upon which pro rata rentals are timely paid or tendered; however, if the assignor or assignee does not file a certified copy of such assignment in the General Land Office before the next rental paying date, the entire lease shall terminate for failure to pay the entire rental due under Paragraph 3. Every assignee shall succeed to all rights and be subject to all obligations, liabilities, and penalties owed to the State by the original lessee or any prior assignee of the lease, including any liabilities to the State for unpaid royalties.

(B) ASSIGNMENT LIMITATION. Notwithstanding any provision in Paragraph 27(a), if the owner of the soil acquires this lease in whole or in part by assignment without the prior written approval of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, this lease is void as of the time of assignment and the agency power of the owner may be forfeited by the Commissioner. An assignment will be treated as if it were made to the owner of the soil if the assignee is:

- (1) a nominee of the owner of the soil;
- (2) a corporation or subsidiary in which the owner of the soil is a principal stockholder or is an employee of such a corporation or subsidiary;
- (3) a partnership in which the owner of the soil is a partner or is an employee of such a partnership;
- (4) a principal stockholder or employee of the corporation which is the owner of the soil;
- (5) a partner or employee in a partnership which is the owner of the soil;
- (6) a fiduciary for the owner of the soil; including but not limited to a guardian, trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, or conservator for the owner of the soil; or
- (7) a family member of the owner of the soil or related to the owner of the soil by marriage, blood, or adoption.

28. RELEASES. Under the conditions contained in this paragraph and Paragraph 29, Lessee may at any time execute and deliver to the owner of the soil and place of record a release or releases covering any portion or portions of the leased premises, and thereby surrender this lease as to such portion or portions, and be relieved of all subsequent obligations as to acreage surrendered. If any part of this lease is properly surrendered, the delay rental due under this lease shall be reduced by the proportion that the surrendered acreage bears to the acreage which was covered by this lease immediately prior to such surrender; however, such release will not relieve Lessee of any liabilities which may have accrued under this lease prior to the surrender of such acreage.

29. FILING OF ASSIGNMENTS AND RELEASES. If all or any part of this lease is assigned or released, such assignment or release must be recorded in the county where the land is situated, and the recorded instrument, or a copy of the recorded instrument certified by the County Clerk of the county in which the instrument is recorded, must be filed in the General Land Office within 90 days of the last execution date accompanied by the prescribed filing fee. If any such assignment is not so filed, the rights acquired under this lease shall be subject to forfeiture at the option of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

30. DISCLOSURE CLAUSE. All provisions pertaining to the lease of the above-described land have been included in this instrument, including the statement of the true consideration to be paid for the execution of this lease and the rights and duties of the parties. Any collateral agreements concerning the development of oil and gas from the leased premises which are not contained in this lease render this lease invalid.

31. FIDUCIARY DUTY. The owner of the soil owes the State a fiduciary duty and must fully disclose any facts affecting the State's interest in the leased premises. When the interests of the owner of the soil conflict with those of the State, the owner of the soil is obligated to put the State's interests before his personal interests.

32. FORFEITURE. If Lessee shall fail or refuse to make the payment of any sum within thirty days after it becomes due, or if Lessee or an authorized agent should knowingly make any false return or false report concerning production or drilling, or if Lessee shall fail or refuse to drill any offset well or wells in good faith as required by law and the rules and regulations adopted by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, or if Lessee should fail to file reports in the manner required by law or fail to comply with rules and regulations promulgated by the General Land Office, the School Land Board, or the Railroad Commission, or if Lessee should refuse the proper authority access to the records pertaining to operations, or if Lessee or an authorized agent should knowingly fail or refuse to give correct information to the proper authority, or knowingly fail or refuse to furnish the General Land Office a correct log of any well, or if Lessee shall knowingly violate any of the material provisions of this lease, or if this lease is assigned and the assignment is not filed in the General Land Office as required by law, the rights acquired under this lease shall be subject to forfeiture by the Commissioner, and he shall forfeit same when sufficiently informed of the facts which authorize a forfeiture, and when forfeited the area shall again be subject to lease under the terms of the Relinquishment Act. However, nothing herein shall be construed as waiving the automatic termination of this lease by operation of law or by reason of any special limitation arising hereunder. Forfeitures may be set aside and this lease and all rights thereunder reinstated before the rights of another intervene upon satisfactory evidence to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of future compliance with the provisions of the law and of this lease and the rules and regulations that may be adopted relative hereto.

33. LIEN. In accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code 52.136, the State shall have a first lien upon all oil and gas produced from the area covered by this lease to secure payment of all unpaid royalty and other sums of money that may become due under this lease. By acceptance of this lease, Lessee grants the State, in addition to the lien provided by Texas Natural Resources Code 52.136 and any other applicable statutory lien, an express contractual lien on and security interest in all leased minerals in and extracted from the leased premises, all proceeds which may accrue to Lessee from the sale of such leased minerals, whether such proceeds are held by Lessee or by a third party, and all fixtures on and improvements to the leased premises used in connection with the production or processing of such leased minerals in order to secure the payment of all royalties or other amounts due or to become due under this lease and to secure payment of any damages or loss that Lessor may suffer by reason of Lessee's breach of any covenant or condition of this lease, whether express or implied. This lien and security interest may be foreclosed with or without court proceedings in the manner provided in the Title 1, Chap. 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code. Lessee agrees that the Commissioner may require Lessee to execute and record such instruments as may be reasonably necessary to acknowledge, attach or perfect this lien. Lessee hereby represents that there are no prior or superior liens arising from and relating to Lessee's activities upon the above-described property or from Lessee's acquisition of this lease. Should the Commissioner at any time determine that this representation is not true, then the Commissioner may declare this lease forfeited as provided herein.

34. POOLING. Lessee is hereby granted the right to pool or unitize the royalty interest of the owner of the soil under this lease with any other leasehold or mineral interest for the exploration, development and production of oil or gas or either of them upon the same terms as shall be approved by the School Land Board and the Commissioner of the General Land Office for the pooling or unitizing of the interest of the State under this lease pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code 52.151-52.154. The owner of the soil agrees that the inclusion of this provision in this lease satisfies the execution requirements stated in Texas Natural Resources Code 52.152.

35. INDEMNITY. Lessee hereby releases and discharges the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees, partners, agents, contractors, subcontractors, guests, invitees, and their respective successors and assigns, of and from all and any actions and causes of action of every nature, or other harm, including environmental harm, for which recovery of damages is sought, including, but not limited to, all losses and expenses which are caused by the activities of Lessee, its officers, employees, and agents arising out of, incidental to, or resulting from, the operations of or for Lessee on the leased premises hereunder, or that may arise out of or be occasioned by Lessee's breach of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement, or by any other negligent or strictly liable act or omission of Lessee. Further, Lessee hereby agrees to be liable for, exonerate, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees and agents, their successors or assigns, against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, actions, personal injury (including death), costs and expenses, or other harm for which recovery of damages is sought, under any theory including tort, contract, or strict liability, including attorneys' fees and other legal expenses, including those related to environmental hazards, on the leased premises or in any way related to Lessee's failure to comply with any and all environmental laws; those arising from or in any way related to Lessee's operations or any other of Lessee's activities on the leased premises; those arising from Lessee's use of the surface of the leased premises; and those that may arise out of or be occasioned by Lessee's breach of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement or any other act or omission of Lessee, its directors, officers, employees, partners, agents, contractors, subcontractors, guests, invitees, and their respective successors and assigns. Each assignee of this Agreement, or an interest therein, agrees to be liable for, exonerate, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees, and agents in the same manner provided above in connection with the activities of Lessee, its officers, employees, and agents as described above. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE EXPRESSLY LIMITED HEREIN, ALL OF THE INDEMNITY OBLIGATIONS AND/OR LIABILITIES ASSUMED UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE WITHOUT LIMITS AND WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CAUSE OR CAUSES THEREOF (EXCLUDING PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS), STRICT LIABILITY, OR THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PARTY OR PARTIES (INCLUDING THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY), WHETHER SUCH NEGLIGENCE BE SOLE, JOINT, CONCURRENT, ACTIVE, OR PASSIVE.



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36. ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS. Lessee shall use the highest degree of care and all reasonable safeguards to prevent contamination or pollution of any environmental medium, including soil, surface waters, groundwater, sediments, and surface or subsurface strata, ambient air or any other environmental medium in, on, or under, the leased premises, by any waste, pollutant, or contaminant. Lessee shall not bring or permit to remain on the leased premises any asbestos containing materials, explosives, toxic materials, or substances regulated as hazardous wastes, hazardous materials, hazardous substances (as the term "Hazardous Substance" is defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601, et seq.), or toxic substances under any federal, state, or local law or regulation ("Hazardous Materials"), except ordinary products commonly used in connection with oil and gas exploration and development operations and stored in the usual manner and quantities. LESSEE'S VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING PROHIBITION SHALL CONSTITUTE A MATERIAL BREACH AND DEFAULT HEREUNDER AND LESSEE SHALL INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFEND THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE OWNER OF THE SOIL FROM AND AGAINST ANY CLAIMS, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES, LIABILITIES, AND COSTS (INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COURT COSTS) CAUSED BY OR ARISING OUT OF (1) A VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING PROHIBITION OR (2) THE PRESENCE, RELEASE, OR DISPOSAL OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ON, UNDER, OR ABOUT THE LEASED PREMISES DURING LESSEE'S OCCUPANCY OR CONTROL OF THE LEASED PREMISES. LESSEE SHALL CLEAN UP, REMOVE, REMEDY AND REPAIR ANY SOIL OR GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION AND DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE PRESENCE OR RELEASE OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IN, ON, UNDER, OR ABOUT THE LEASED PREMISES DURING LESSEE'S OCCUPANCY OF THE LEASED PREMISES IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF APPLICABLE LAW. THIS INDEMNIFICATION AND ASSUMPTION SHALL APPLY, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, LIABILITY FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN PURSUANT TO CERCLA OR ANY OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL LAW OR REGULATION. LESSEE SHALL IMMEDIATELY GIVE THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE OWNER OF THE SOIL WRITTEN NOTICE OF ANY BREACH OR SUSPECTED BREACH OF THIS PARAGRAPH, UPON LEARNING OF THE PRESENCE OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, OR UPON RECEIVING A NOTICE FROM ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY PERTAINING TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WHICH MAY AFFECT THE LEASED PREMISES. THE OBLIGATIONS OF LESSEE HEREUNDER SHALL SURVIVE THE EXPIRATION OR EARLIER TERMINATION, FOR ANY REASON, OF THIS AGREEMENT.

37. APPLICABLE LAW. This lease is issued under the provisions of Texas Natural Resources Code 52.171 through 52.190, commonly known as the Relinquishment Act, and other applicable statutes and amendments thereto, and if any provision in this lease does not conform to these statutes, the statutes will prevail over any nonconforming lease provisions.

38. EXECUTION. This oil and gas lease must be signed and acknowledged by the Lessee before it is filed of record in the county records and in the General Land Office of the State of Texas. Once the filing requirements found in Paragraph 39 of this lease have been satisfied, the effective date of this lease shall be the date found on Page 1.

39. LEASE FILING. Pursuant to Chapter 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code, this lease must be filed of record in the office of the County Clerk in any county in which all or any part of the leased premises is located, and certified copies thereof must be filed in the General Land Office. This lease is not effective until a certified copy of this lease (which is made and certified by the County Clerk from his records) is filed in the General Land Office in accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code 52.183. Additionally, this lease shall not be binding upon the State unless it recites the actual and true consideration paid or promised for execution of this lease. The bonus due the State and the prescribed filing fee shall accompany such certified copy to the General Land Office.

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40. DELAY RENTALS. As stipulated in Paragraph #3 of this lease, the rentals for this lease have been PAID-UP for the second (2nd) and third (3rd) years of the primary term hereof. Lessee or its assigns shall have the right to keep this lease in force and effect for the fourth (4th) and fifth (5th) years of the primary term provided for herein by tendering a payment of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) per net acre prior to January 12, 2014, as to any acreage covered hereby and not otherwise being maintained by any other provision herein at such time.

41. WATER WELLS. Lessee shall have use of water from the land leased herein, and purchased from Lessor at the rate of \$7,500, proportionate to Lessor's interest, per well drilled by Lessee. Any water well which Lessee drills shall be cased from top to bottom; the surface pipe shall be enclosed in concrete either two feet square or two feet in diameter in the form of a circle with sufficient length of the pipe protruding above the enclosure to facilitate installation of connections or well equipment. On termination of Lessee's use of a well, Lessor shall have the option of assuming ownership of the well. If Lessor accepts the well, the well shall be capped-off, and turned over to the surface owner by written notice, and the well, casing, pump, and electrical poles and lines leading to the well, shall become the property of the surface owner and shall be left by Lessee in the same condition as when water was last obtained from it by Lessee. Furthermore, if Lessor accepts the well, it is agreed that Lessor will accept all responsibility for such well or wells and the plugging of same at no cost to Lessee, and will hold Lessee harmless from any claims, damages or any other causes of action against Lessee during that time Lessor elects to operate same. If Lessor elects not to assume ownership of the well, Lessee shall plug the well and remove all related equipment.

42. Lessee agrees to furnish Lessor copies of logs showing the intervals and depths in which Lessee encounters fresh water aquifers.

43. If, at the expiration of the primary term, this lease is being maintained in force under any provision of the lease, or within 180 days prior to the expiration of the primary term Lessee has completed a well as a dry hole or commenced a well on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith, or Lessee is then engaged in operations on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith, Lessee agrees to begin a continuous drilling program within 180 days after the end of the primary term or within 180 days after completion of such well or the cessation of such operations, whichever is the later date; and thereafter to carry on the continuous drilling program on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith until all proration units have been drilled, allowing not more than 180 days to elapse between the completion of one well and the commencement of the succeeding well. Should Lessee fail to begin the continuous drilling program or subsequently default in the performance thereof, then in either event, this lease shall terminate as to all lands covered hereby, save and except for the proration unit surrounding each well then producing, capable of producing or upon which operations are being conducted, limited, respectively, to those depths from the surface down to the stratigraphic equivalent of the depth 100 feet below the base of the deepest penetrated formation. As used in this paragraph: i) the term "commission" means the Railroad Commission of the State of Texas or any successor agency, ii) the term "proration unit" means any acreage designated as a drilling unit or production unit in accordance with the rules of the commission (or any other governmental authority having jurisdiction) or any unit formed by pooling as provided in this lease or otherwise, iii) the terms "commenced" and "commencement" mean the date when a well is spudded, and iv) the terms "completed" and "completion" mean the date the initial potential test report is filed with the commission, if a productive well, or the date the plugging report is filed with the commission, if a dry hole, in either event no later than 60 days after the drilling rig has been released. Notwithstanding the partial termination of this lease, Lessee shall continue to have the rights of ingress and egress across all of the leased premises to and from lands that remain subject to this lease, or lands pooled therewith, for the purposes described in paragraph 1 hereof, together with easements and rights of way for roads, pipelines, flowlines and other facilities on or across all of the leased premises for the exploration, development, production, gathering or transportation of oil, gas and other products from the lands still subject to this lease or lands pooled therewith. The sole liability or penalty for the failure of Lessee to drill any well or wells required or permitted by this lease shall be the termination or partial termination of Lessee's rights under the lease as provided above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date first above written.

STATE OF TEXAS

BY: WINDI GRIMES
Sole Trustee for the AWP 1983 Trust and as agent
for the State of Texas

LESSEE: PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP
By: P-H Energy, LLC, its General Partner

BY: D. R. Deffenbaugh

Title: Vice President - Land

Date: 2-17-2011

Date: May 4, 2011



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STATE OF OKLAHOMA
COUNTY OF TULSA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared D. R. Deffenbaugh
known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instruments as Vice President - Land
of P-H Energy, LLC, general partner of Petrohawk Properties, LP, a Texas limited prtshp and acknowledged to me that he
executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity stated, and as the act and deed of said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 4th day of May, 2011.



Rita Kay Walker
Notary Public in and for the state of Oklahoma

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

(CORPORATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____
known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instruments as _____
of _____ and acknowledged to me that he
executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity stated, and as the act and deed of said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the _____ day of _____, 20____.

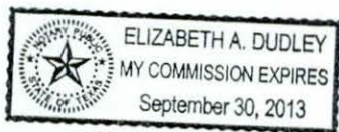
Notary Public in and for _____

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

(INDIVIDUAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Windi Grimes
as sole trustee of the AWP 1983 TRUST
known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the
purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 17th day of February, 2011.



Elizabeth A. Dudley
Notary Public in and for _____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

(INDIVIDUAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____
known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the
purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public in and for _____



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EXHIBIT "A"
SURFACE USE AGREEMENT

Attached to and made a part of that certain Oil and Gas Lease dated January 11th, 2011 from the **State of Texas**, acting by and through its agent, **WINDI GRIMES, SOLE TRUSTEE OF THE AWP 1983 TRUST**, as Lessor, in favor of **PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP**, as Lessee, covering 1920.00 gross acres, more or less, in Reeves County, Texas.

It is agreed and understood that any payments of monies made pursuant to the provisions and/or terms of this lease including but not limited to payments designated to be paid to "Lessor" shall be paid in equal proportions with 50% of any such payments payable to the State of Texas and the remaining 50% of such payments payable to the owner(s) of the soil in proportion to the undivided interest of any such owner(s) of the soil at the time such payments are to be made.

"Lessee," as used herein shall include Lessee's agents and representatives, and "Lessor," as used herein, shall include Lessor's agents and representatives.

In the furtherance of the purposes and objectives set forth in this lease, Lessor and Lessee further agree that their respective rights, obligations and entitlements regarding the use of the surface of said land (as defined in the lease) are as follows:

1. ROADS. Lessee shall have the right to build, in segments, roads to access and service any and all wells, gas pipelines, gas gathering and gas processing plants, and all other facilities, stations, systems and equipment located on said land, provided they are in the furtherance of the objectives of this lease. Lessee will pay Lessor a one time payment of **One Dollar per linear foot** for the road easement/right-of-way and as damages for each segment of road so built. The number of linear feet on a particular road shall be determined by measuring the actual distance with a rolling measurement tool designed for such a purpose. Such payment shall be made prior to the commencement of each segment of road. Lessee agrees to grade and gravel all roads, as necessary, and confine all travel incident to the drilling and production of such well to the single graded road. Lessee shall have the right to use existing roads and gates without payment of additional consideration, but Lessee will consult with Lessor regarding its use of existing roads and gates to be certain that Lessee's use does not unreasonably interfere with Lessor's use thereof. Lessee will maintain all roads and gates used in connection with its operations in a state of good condition and repair. Lessee shall have the right to place its own lock on any gate which it must pass through to conduct its operations, and Lessor shall be entitled to a key or combination to all of Lessee's locks. In regards to maintenance of roads and gates used by Lessee, Lessee shall repair the damaged portions within a reasonable time after written notice by Lessor of need for such repair, and Lessee agrees to work with Lessor to keep them in a continuous state of good condition and repair. In connection with any roads built by Lessee, Lessee agrees to consult with Lessor as to the location of such roads and will construct division terraces as may be reasonably necessary to reduce soil erosion. If Lessor requests, Lessee will install cattle guards or, at Lessor's option, pipe gates to the side of such cattle guard at each fence crossing. If Lessee decides to abandon a road, or a portion of a road, built under the terms of this lease, Lessee will notify Lessor in writing of its abandonment, after which time Lessee will no longer be entitled to use the abandoned portion. Once Lessee abandons a road, or a portion thereof, Lessee shall no longer be responsible for maintaining it. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of said amount, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

2. DRILLING LOCATIONS. Lessor grants to Lessee the right to build drilling locations on said land. Lessee will pay Lessor the **total sum of \$1,000 for each such location**. Payment will be made to Lessor prior to Lessee's commencement of dirt work on each location; however, Lessee will have the right to survey and stake wells prior to making such payment. No additional consideration shall be due Lessor for a substitute or replacement well that is located within 150 feet (plus a tolerance of 10%, plus a reasonable distance if the terrain or improvements thereon so necessitate) of the original borehole. After the drilling and completion of a producing well, Lessee will reduce the size of the location to the smallest reasonable area, as determined solely by Lessee, necessary to operate the well and to perform any workover operations. Pits will be filled and drilling locations will be restored as nearly as practicable to their original condition and contour within 180 days of completion (whether as a dry hole or a producer) of each well, weather permitting. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of said amount, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

3. PIPELINES, SEPARATORS, DEHYDRATORS, COMPRESSORS, GAS GATHERING AND PROCESSING FACILITIES. Lessee shall have the right to lay water pipelines, oil pipelines and gas pipelines, and to build separators, dehydrators, compressors, gas gathering and processing facilities and systems, and to lay or build any other pipelines, equipment or facilities on said land that are in the furtherance of the purposes and objectives of this lease. The consideration and damages to which Lessor will be entitled for any of these lines, systems and facilities will be negotiated when it is determined where they are to be located and how much land is needed. Lessor and Lessee agree that the consideration to which Lessor will be entitled shall be the **fair market value** of similar lands in the area of the land so used. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of the agreed upon consideration and damages, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

4. DUTY TO FENCE AND RESTORE SURFACE. When requested by Lessor, Lessee agrees to promptly fence all pits and installations to prevent entry into such pits and installations by livestock. Lessee agrees, within a reasonable time after the completion of drilling or reworking operations, to remove all driller's mud and chemicals, to level all dumps and mounds, fill all holes, pits, ditches and excavations, and at Lessor's election



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remove or burn all brush and debris, and remove all concrete blocks or other objects placed upon said land, or upon the terminated portion of such lease, as the case may be, and return the surface of the land substantially to the same condition as it was before the commencement of such operations, subject only to reasonable wear and tear.

5. FENCES AND GATES. Lessee agrees that Lessee will not cut or go over any fence or fences of Lessor at any time or in connection with any operations on said land, without first obtaining written consent from Lessor. If such consent to the cutting of a fence is obtained, the cuts must be made at the place designated by Lessor; and Lessee agrees, prior to cutting any fence, to brace the existing fence adequately on both sides of the proposed cut so that when the fence is cut, there will be no slacking of the wires. If Lessor so requests, Lessee will install and maintain a substantial metal cattle guard capable of turning cattle, promptly after making such cut. Lessee will install a substantial metal gate, which shall be kept locked when not in actual use. Lessor may install its own locks in addition to Lessee's lock on said gate, and if so, Lessor will provide Lessee with keys (or combination) to the lock. Upon termination of this lease, or the portion thereof on which a cattle guard or gate is located, such cattle guard and gate shall, at the option of Lessor, become Lessor's property. So long as this lease shall remain in force, gates and cattle guards used by Lessee shall be maintained by Lessee in good condition and repair, capable of turning cattle. Lessee agrees to promptly close all gates and lock all outside gates which Lessee may use in Lessee's operations on said land.

6. SURFACE DAMAGES. In further accordance with Provision #22 – AUTHORIZED DAMAGES – herein, Lessee shall at all times use a reasonable degree of care in all of its operations on said land to prevent injury or damage to the grass, crops, cattle, livestock, buildings or other property situated thereon, or to water wells or tanks located thereon. Lessee agrees not to allow any waste oil or salt water to flow over the surface of said land; nor to allow same to drain down any draws, drains, creeks or ravines, nor allow same to contaminate any tanks, ground water or underground water thereon. Lessee shall dispose of such salt water and waste oil in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Unless otherwise specifically addressed above, Lessee shall pay Lessor for any damages to Lessor's surface that are the direct result of Lessee's actions in the furtherance of the purposes and objectives of this lease, and the damages to which Lessor shall be entitled will be negotiated within a reasonable period of time after the occurrence. If Lessor and Lessee are unable to agree upon the damages or consideration to be paid to Lessor, Lessee's rights hereunder shall not be postponed or delayed pending any determination of the amount of such damages or compensation. Under no circumstances shall such damages exceed the fair market value of the damaged or contaminated land, unless such damages are the result of Lessee's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

7. FIRE PREVENTION AND CLEANUP. Lessee will use its best efforts to prevent fires on said land and will use its best efforts to prevent papers, boxes, sacks and containers and waste materials of any kind from coming on said land and littering the premises.

8. SPEED LIMITS. Lessee agrees to observe and obey all posted speed limits on the premises.

9. SEISMIC. Lessee shall have the non-exclusive right to conduct seismic operations across said land. If Lessee conducts such operations, Lessee shall be required to compensate Lessor for damages at the rate of \$2.00 per surface acre covered by the shoot. Lessor shall be paid in advance of any seismic operations.

10. NO HUNTING OR FISHING. Lessee is not allowed to engage in hunting or fishing on said land without the written consent of Lessor; neither is Lessee allowed to bring any dog, firearm, or fishing tackle upon said land, without the written consent of Lessor. Lessor shall have the right, at all reasonable times and at its own expense, to inspect vehicles entering upon said land, for the purpose of verifying that no such articles are being brought on to said land.

11. ENUMERATED RIGHTS. Lessee's rights, as enumerated above, are in addition to any and all other rights that an oil and gas Lessee would have under the laws of the State of Texas.

12. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. The terms in this lease and this surface use agreement shall be binding upon Lessor and Lessee, and their successors and assigns.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEF
I, _____, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of _____ dated _____ day of _____ at _____ in the _____ to be recorded in the _____ of _____ Texas.
TO CERTIFY WHICH my hand and official seal at _____, Texas, this _____ day of _____, 20____.

By _____
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT
REEF COUNTY, TEXAS

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Date Filed: 5/18/11

Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner

By 64

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEVES**

I, Dianne O. Florez, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of

041 dated Jan. 11, 2011

filed for record in my office this 12th day of May, 2011 at

11:00 P. M., under Clerk's File No. 2927 to be recorded in the

Official Public Records
Records of Reeves County, Texas.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Pecos, Texas
this 12th day of May, 2011

By [Signature] Deputy.

Dianne O. Florez
DIANNE O. FLOREZ, COUNTY CLERK
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice of Confidentiality Rights: If you are a natural person, you may remove or strike any of the following information from this instrument before it is filed for record in the public records: your social security number or your driver's license number.

General Land Office
Relinquishment Act Lease Form
Revised, September 1997

MF 112096C

The State of Texas



Austin, Texas

OIL AND GAS LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 11th day of January, 2011, between the State of Texas, acting

and through its agent, MEEKER INVESTMENTS, INC., REPRESENTED HEREIN BY ROBERT W. DEBOLT, PRESIDENT

1014 BROADWAY, SUITE A, EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA 92021

(Give Permanent Address)

Said agent herein referred to as the owner of the soil (whether one or more), and PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP

6100 SOUTH YALE STREET, SUITE 500, TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74136 hereinafter called Lessee.

(Give Permanent Address)

1. GRANTING CLAUSE. For and in consideration of the amounts stated below and of the covenants and agreements to be paid, kept and performed by Lessee under this lease, the State of Texas acting by and through the owner of the soil, hereby grants, leases and lets unto Lessee, for the sole and only purpose of prospecting and drilling for and producing oil and gas, laying pipe lines, building tanks, storing oil and building power stations, telephone lines and other structures thereon, to produce, save, take care of, treat and transport said products of the lease, the following lands situated in REEVES County, State of Texas, to-wit:

All of Section 43, A-4005 & A-4204, all of Section 44, A-4006 and all of Section 45, A-4007, Block 59, PSL Survey

FOR ADDITIONAL TERMS AND PROVISIONS, SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Containing 1920.000 acres, more or less. The bonus consideration paid for this lease is as follows:

To the State of Texas: ONE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100
Dollars (\$168,000.00)

To the owner of the soil: ONE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100
Dollars (\$168,000.00)

Total bonus consideration: THREE HUNDRED THIRTY SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100
Dollars (\$336,000.00)

The total bonus consideration paid represents a bonus of ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/100
Dollars (\$1200.00) per acre, on 280.000 net acres.

2. TERM. Subject to the other provisions in this lease, this lease shall be for a term of FIVE years from this date (herein called "primary term") and as long thereafter as oil and gas, or either of them, is produced in paying quantities from said land. As used in this lease, the term "produced in paying quantities" means that the receipts from the sale or other authorized commercial use of the substance(s) covered exceed out of pocket operational expenses for the six months last past.

3. DELAY RENTALS. If no well is commenced on the leased premises on or before one (1) year from this date, this lease shall terminate, unless on or before such anniversary date Lessee shall pay or tender to the owner of the soil or to his credit in the _____ Bank, at _____ PAY DIRECTLY TO OWNER OF THE SOIL, or its successors (which shall continue as the depository regardless of changes in the ownership of said land), the amount specified below; in addition, Lessee shall pay or tender to the COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT AUSTIN, TEXAS, a like sum on or before said date. Payments under this paragraph shall operate as a rental and shall cover the privilege of deferring the commencement of a well for one (1) year from said date. Payments under this paragraph shall be in the following amounts:

To the owner of the soil: _____
Dollars (\$ _____)

To the State of Texas: REFER TO ADDENDUM PARAGRAPH 40 (THIS IS A PAID UP LEASE)
Dollars (\$ _____)

Total Delay Rental: _____
Dollars (\$ _____)

In a like manner and upon like payments or tenders annually, the commencement of a well may be further deferred for successive periods of one (1) year each during the primary term. All payments or tenders of rental to the owner of the soil may be made by check or sight draft of Lessee, or any assignee of this lease, and may be delivered on or before the rental paying date. If the bank designated in this paragraph (or its successor bank) should cease to exist, suspend business, liquidate, fail or be succeeded by another bank, or for any reason fail or refuse to accept rental, Lessee shall not be held in default for failure to make such payments or tenders of rental until thirty (30) days after the owner of the soil shall deliver to Lessee a proper recordable instrument naming another bank as agent to receive such payments or tenders.



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4. PRODUCTION ROYALTIES. Upon production of oil and/or gas, Lessee agrees to pay or cause to be paid one-half (1/2) of the royalty provided for in this lease to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, and one-half (1/2) of such royalty to the owner of the soil:

(A) **OIL.** Royalty payable on oil, which is defined as including all hydrocarbons produced in a liquid form at the mouth of the well and also as all condensate, distillate, and other liquid hydrocarbons recovered from oil or gas run through a separator or other equipment, as hereinafter provided, shall be 1/4 part of the gross production or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such value to be determined by 1) the highest posted price, plus premium, if any, offered or paid for oil, condensate, distillate, or other liquid hydrocarbons, respectively, of a like type and gravity in the general area where produced and when run, or 2) the highest market price thereof offered or paid in the general area where produced and when run, or 3) the gross proceeds of the sale thereof, whichever is the greater. Lessee agrees that before any gas produced from the leased premises is sold, used or processed in a plant, it will be run free of cost to the royalty owners through an adequate oil and gas separator of conventional type, or other equipment at least as efficient, so that all liquid hydrocarbons recoverable from the gas by such means will be recovered. The requirement that such gas be run through a separator or other equipment may be waived, in writing, by the royalty owners upon such terms and conditions as they prescribe.

(B) **NON PROCESSED GAS.** Royalty on any gas (including flared gas), which is defined as all hydrocarbons and gaseous substances not defined as oil in subparagraph (A) above, produced from any well on said land (except as provided herein with respect to gas processed in a plant for the extraction of gasoline, liquid hydrocarbons or other products) shall be 1/4 part of the gross production or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such value to be based on the highest market price paid or offered for gas of comparable quality in the general area where produced and when run, or the gross price paid or offered to the producer, whichever is the greater; provided that the maximum pressure base in measuring the gas under this lease shall not at any time exceed 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard base temperature shall be sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit, correction to be made for pressure according to Boyle's Law, and for specific gravity according to tests made by the Balance Method or by the most approved method of testing being used by the industry at the time of testing.

(C) **PROCESSED GAS.** Royalty on any gas processed in a gasoline plant or other plant for the recovery of gasoline or other liquid hydrocarbons shall be 1/4 part of the residue gas and the liquid hydrocarbons extracted or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office. All royalties due herein shall be based on one hundred percent (100%) of the total plant production of residue gas attributable to gas produced from this lease, and on fifty percent (50%), or that percent accruing to Lessee, whichever is the greater, of the total plant production of liquid hydrocarbons attributable to the gas produced from this lease; provided that if liquid hydrocarbons are recovered from gas processed in a plant in which Lessee (or its parent, subsidiary or affiliate) owns an interest, then the percentage applicable to liquid hydrocarbons shall be fifty percent (50%) or the highest percent accruing to a third party processing gas through such plant under a processing agreement negotiated at arm's length (or if there is no such third party, the highest percent then being specified in processing agreements or contracts in the industry), whichever is the greater. The respective royalties on residue gas and on liquid hydrocarbons shall be determined by 1) the highest market price paid or offered for any gas (or liquid hydrocarbons) of comparable quality in the general area, or 2) the gross price paid or offered for such residue gas (or the weighted average gross selling price for the respective grades of liquid hydrocarbons), whichever is the greater. In no event, however, shall the royalties payable under this paragraph be less than the royalties which would have been due had the gas not been processed.

(D) **OTHER PRODUCTS.** Royalty on carbon black, sulphur or any other products produced or manufactured from gas (excepting liquid hydrocarbons) whether said gas be "casinghead," "dry," or any other gas, by fractionating, burning or any other processing shall be 1/4 part of the gross production of such products, or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such market value to be determined as follows: 1) on the basis of the highest market price of each product for the same month in which such product is produced, or 2) on the basis of the average gross sale price of each product for the same month in which such products are produced; whichever is the greater.

5. MINIMUM ROYALTY. During any year after the expiration of the primary term of this lease, if this lease is maintained by production, the royalties paid under this lease in no event shall be less than an amount equal to the total annual delay rental herein provided; otherwise, there shall be due and payable on or before the last day of the month succeeding the anniversary date of this lease a sum equal to the total annual rental less the amount of royalties paid during the preceding year. If Paragraph 3 of this lease does not specify a delay rental amount, then for the purposes of this paragraph, the delay rental amount shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per acre.

6. ROYALTY IN KIND. Notwithstanding any other provision in this lease, at any time or from time to time, the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office may, at the option of either, upon not less than sixty (60) days notice to the holder of the lease, require that the payment of any royalties accruing to such royalty owner under this lease be made in kind. The owner of the soil's or the Commissioner of the General Land Office's right to take its royalty in kind shall not diminish or negate the owner of the soil's or the Commissioner of the General Land Office's rights or Lessee's obligations, whether express or implied, under this lease.

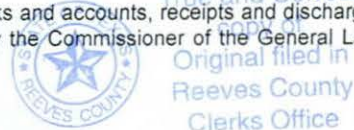
7. NO DEDUCTIONS. Lessee agrees that all royalties accruing under this lease (including those paid in kind) shall be without deduction for the cost of producing, gathering, storing, separating, treating, dehydrating, compressing, processing, transporting, and otherwise making the oil, gas and other products hereunder ready for sale or use. Lessee agrees to compute and pay royalties on the gross value received, including any reimbursements for severance taxes and production related costs.

8. PLANT FUEL AND RECYCLED GAS. No royalty shall be payable on any gas as may represent this lease's proportionate share of any fuel used to process gas produced hereunder in any processing plant. Notwithstanding any other provision of this lease, and subject to the written consent of the owner of the soil and the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Lessee may recycle gas for gas lift purposes on the leased premises or for injection into any oil or gas producing formation underlying the leased premises after the liquid hydrocarbons contained in the gas have been removed; no royalties shall be payable on the recycled gas until it is produced and sold or used by Lessee in a manner which entitles the royalty owners to a royalty under this lease.

9. ROYALTY PAYMENTS AND REPORTS. All royalties not taken in kind shall be paid to the Commissioner of the General Land Office at Austin, Texas, in the following manner:

Payment of royalty on production of oil and gas shall be as provided in the rules set forth in the Texas Register. Rules currently provide that royalty on oil is due and must be received in the General Land Office on or before the 5th day of the second month succeeding the month of production, and royalty on gas is due and must be received in the General Land Office on or before the 15th day of the second month succeeding the month of production, accompanied by the affidavit of the owner, manager or other authorized agent, completed in the form and manner prescribed by the General Land Office and showing the gross amount and disposition of all oil and gas produced and the market value of the oil and gas, together with a copy of all documents, records or reports confirming the gross production, disposition and market value including gas meter readings, pipeline receipts, gas line receipts and other checks or memoranda of amount produced and put into pipelines, tanks, or pools and gas lines or gas storage, and any other reports or records which the General Land Office may require to verify the gross production, disposition and market value. In all cases the authority of a manager or agent to act for the Lessee herein must be filed in the General Land Office. Each royalty payment shall be accompanied by a check stub, schedule, summary or other remittance advice showing by the assigned General Land Office lease number the amount of royalty being paid on each lease. If Lessee pays his royalty on or before thirty (30) days after the royalty payment was due, then Lessee owes a penalty of 5% on the royalty or \$25.00, whichever is greater. A royalty payment which is over thirty (30) days late shall accrue a penalty of 10% of the royalty due or \$25.00 whichever is greater. In addition to a penalty, royalties shall accrue interest at a rate of 12% per year; such interest will begin to accrue when the royalty is sixty (60) days overdue. Affidavits and supporting documents which are not filed when due shall incur a penalty in an amount set by the General Land Office administrative rule which is effective on the date when the affidavits or supporting documents were due. The Lessee shall bear all responsibility for paying or causing royalties to be paid as prescribed by the due date provided herein. Payment of the delinquency penalty shall in no way operate to prohibit the State's right of forfeiture as provided by law nor act to postpone the date on which royalties were originally due. The above penalty provisions shall not apply in cases of title dispute as to the State's portion of the royalty or to that portion of the royalty in dispute as to fair market value.

10. (A) RESERVES, CONTRACTS AND OTHER RECORDS. Lessee shall annually furnish the Commissioner of the General Land Office with its best possible estimate of oil and gas reserves underlying this lease or allocable to this lease and shall furnish said Commissioner with copies of all contracts under which gas is sold or processed and all subsequent agreements and amendments to such contracts within thirty (30) days after entering into or making such contracts, agreements or amendments. Such contracts and agreements when received by the General Land Office shall be held in confidence by the General Land Office unless otherwise authorized by Lessee. All other contracts and records pertaining to the production, transportation, sale and marketing of the oil and gas produced on said premises, including the books and accounts, receipts and discharges of all wells, tanks, pools, meters, and pipelines shall at all times be subject to inspection and examination by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Attorney General, the Governor, or the representative of any of them.



(B) **PERMITS, DRILLING RECORDS.** Written notice of all operations on this lease shall be submitted to the Commissioner of the General Land Office by Lessee or operator five (5) days before spud date, workover, re-entry, temporary abandonment or plug and abandonment of any well or wells. Such written notice to the General Land Office shall include copies of Railroad Commission forms for application to drill. Copies of well tests, completion reports and plugging reports shall be supplied to the General Land Office at the time they are filed with the Texas Railroad Commission. All applications, permits, reports or other filings that reference this lease or any specific well on the leased premises and that are submitted to the Texas Railroad Commission or any other governmental agency shall include the word "State" in the title. Additionally, in accordance with Railroad Commission rules, any signage on the leased premises for the purpose of identifying wells, tank batteries or other associated improvements to the land must also include the word "State." Lessee shall supply the General Land Office with any records, memoranda, accounts, reports, cuttings and cores, or other information relative to the operation of the above-described premises, which may be requested by the General Land Office, in addition to those herein expressly provided for. Lessee shall have an electrical and/or radioactivity survey made on the bore-hole section, from the base of the surface casing to the total depth of well, of all wells drilled on the above described premises and shall transmit a true copy of the log of each survey on each well to the General Land Office within fifteen (15) days after the making of said survey.

(C) **PENALTIES.** Lessee shall incur a penalty whenever reports, documents or other materials are not filed in the General Land Office when due. The penalty for late filing shall be set by the General Land Office administrative rule which is effective on the date when the materials were due in the General Land Office.

11. DRY HOLE/CESSATION OF PRODUCTION DURING PRIMARY TERM. If, during the primary term hereof and prior to discovery and production of oil or gas on said land, Lessee should drill a dry hole or holes thereon, or if during the primary term hereof and after the discovery and actual production of oil or gas from the leased premises such production thereof should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if on or before the expiration of sixty (60) days from date of completion of said dry hole or cessation of production Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations thereon, or pays or tenders the next annual delay rental in the same manner as provided in this lease. If, during the last year of the primary term or within sixty (60) days prior thereto, a dry hole be completed and abandoned, or the production of oil or gas should cease for any cause, Lessee's rights shall remain in full force and effect without further operations until the expiration of the primary term; and if Lessee has not resumed production in paying quantities at the expiration of the primary term, Lessee may maintain this lease by conducting additional drilling or reworking operations pursuant to Paragraph 13, using the expiration of the primary term as the date of cessation of production under Paragraph 13. Should the first well or any subsequent well drilled on the above described land be completed as a shut-in oil or gas well within the primary term hereof, Lessee may resume payment of the annual rental in the same manner as provided herein on or before the rental paying date following the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date of completion of such shut-in oil or gas well and upon the failure to make such payment, this lease shall ipso facto terminate. If at the expiration of the primary term or any time thereafter a shut-in oil or gas well is located on the leased premises, payments may be made in accordance with the shut-in provisions hereof.

12. DRILLING AND REWORKING AT EXPIRATION OF PRIMARY TERM. If, at the expiration of the primary term, neither oil nor gas is being produced on said land, but Lessee is then engaged in drilling or reworking operations thereon, this lease shall remain in force so long as operations on said well or for drilling or reworking of any additional wells are prosecuted in good faith and in workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days during any one such operation, and if they result in the production of oil and/or gas, so long thereafter as oil and/or gas is produced in paying quantities from said land, or payment of shut-in oil or gas well royalties or compensatory royalties is made as provided in this lease.

13. CESSATION, DRILLING, AND REWORKING. If, after the expiration of the primary term, production of oil or gas from the leased premises, after once obtained, should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within sixty (60) days after such cessation, and this lease shall remain in full force and effect for so long as such operations continue in good faith and in workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days. If such drilling or reworking operations result in the production of oil or gas, the lease shall remain in full force and effect for so long as oil or gas is produced from the leased premises in paying quantities or payment of shut-in oil or gas well royalties or payment of compensatory royalties is made as provided herein or as provided by law. If the drilling or reworking operations result in the completion of a well as a dry hole, the lease will not terminate if the Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within sixty (60) days after the completion of the well as a dry hole, and this lease shall remain in effect so long as Lessee continues drilling or reworking operations in good faith and in a workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days. Lessee shall give written notice to the General Land Office within thirty (30) days of any cessation of production.

14. SHUT-IN ROYALTIES. For purposes of this paragraph, "well" means any well that has been assigned a well number by the state agency having jurisdiction over the production of oil and gas. If, at any time after the expiration of the primary term of a lease that, until being shut in, was being maintained in force and effect, a well capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities is located on the leased premises, but oil or gas is not being produced for lack of suitable production facilities or lack of a suitable market, then Lessee may pay as a shut-in oil or gas royalty an amount equal to double the annual rental provided in the lease, but not less than \$1,200 a year for each well capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities. If Paragraph 3 of this lease does not specify a delay rental amount, then for the purposes of this paragraph, the delay rental amount shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per acre. To be effective, each initial shut-in oil or gas royalty must be paid on or before: (1) the expiration of the primary term, (2) 60 days after the Lessee ceases to produce oil or gas from the leased premises, or (3) 60 days after Lessee completes a drilling or reworking operation in accordance with the lease provisions; whichever date is latest. Such payment shall be made one-half (1/2) to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and one-half (1/2) to the owner of the soil. If the shut-in oil or gas royalty is paid, the lease shall be considered to be a producing lease and the payment shall extend the term of the lease for a period of one year from the end of the primary term, or from the first day of the month following the month in which production ceased, and, after that, if no suitable production facilities or suitable market for the oil or gas exists, Lessee may extend the lease for four more successive periods of one (1) year by paying the same amount each year on or before the expiration of each shut-in year.

15. COMPENSATORY ROYALTIES. If, during the period the lease is kept in effect by payment of the shut-in oil or gas royalty, oil or gas is sold and delivered in paying quantities from a well located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises and completed in the same producing reservoir, or in any case in which drainage is occurring, the right to continue to maintain the lease by paying the shut-in oil or gas royalty shall cease, but the lease shall remain effective for the remainder of the year for which the royalty has been paid. The Lessee may maintain the lease for four more successive years by Lessee paying compensatory royalty at the royalty rate provided in the lease of the market value of production from the well causing the drainage or which is completed in the same producing reservoir and within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises. The compensatory royalty is to be paid monthly, one-half (1/2) to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and one-half (1/2) to the owner of the soil, beginning on or before the last day of the month following the month in which the oil or gas is produced from the well causing the drainage or that is completed in the same producing reservoir and located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises. If the compensatory royalty paid in any 12-month period is an amount less than the annual shut-in oil or gas royalty, Lessee shall pay an amount equal to the difference within thirty (30) days from the end of the 12-month period. Compensatory royalty payments which are not timely paid will accrue penalty and interest in accordance with Paragraph 9 of this lease. None of these provisions will relieve Lessee of the obligation of reasonable development nor the obligation to drill offset wells as provided in Texas Natural Resources Code 52.173; however, at the determination of the Commissioner, and with the Commissioner's written approval, the payment of compensatory royalties can satisfy the obligation to drill offset wells.

16. RETAINED ACREAGE. Notwithstanding any provision of this lease to the contrary, after a well producing or capable of producing oil or gas has been completed on the leased premises, Lessee shall exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent operator in drilling such additional well or wells as may be reasonably necessary for the proper development of the leased premises and in marketing the production thereon.

(A) **VERTICAL.** In the event this lease is in force and effect two (2) years after the expiration date of the primary or extended term it shall then terminate as to all of the leased premises, EXCEPT (1) 40 acres surrounding each oil well capable of producing in paying quantities and 320 acres surrounding each gas well capable of producing in paying quantities (including a shut-in oil or gas well as provided in Paragraph 14 hereof), or a well upon which Lessee is then engaged in continuous drilling or reworking operations, or (2) the number of acres included in a producing pooled unit pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code 52.151-52.154, or (3) such greater or lesser number of acres as may then be allocated for production purposes to a proration unit for each such producing well under the rules and regulations of the Railroad Commission of Texas, or any successor agency, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction. If at any time after the effective date of the partial termination provisions hereof, the applicable field rules are changed or the well or wells located thereon are reclassified so that less acreage is thereafter allocated to said well or wells for production purposes, this lease shall thereupon terminate as to all acreage not thereafter allocated to said well or wells for production purposes. Notwithstanding the termination of this lease as to a portion of the lands covered hereby, Lessee shall nevertheless continue to have the right of ingress to and egress from the lands still subject to this lease for all purposes described in Paragraph 1 hereof, together with easements and rights-of-way for existing roads, existing pipelines and other existing facilities on, over and across all the lands described in Paragraph 1 hereof (the retained lands), for access to and from the retained lands and for the gathering or transportation of oil, gas and other minerals produced from the retained lands.



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(B) HORIZONTAL. In the event this lease is in force and effect two (2) years after the expiration date of the primary or extended term it shall further terminate as to all depths below 100 feet below the total depth drilled (hereinafter "deeper depths") in each well located on acreage retained in Paragraph 16 (A) above, unless on or before two (2) years after the primary or extended term Lessee pays an amount equal to one-half (1/2) of the bonus originally paid as consideration for this lease (as specified on page 1 hereof). If such amount is paid, this lease shall be in force and effect as to such deeper depths, and said termination shall be delayed for an additional period of two (2) years and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities from such deeper depths covered by this lease.

(C) IDENTIFICATION AND FILING. The surface acreage retained hereunder as to each well shall, as nearly as practical, be in the form of a square with the well located in the center thereof, or such other shape as may be approved by the Commissioner of the General Land Office. Within thirty (30) days after partial termination of this lease as provided herein, Lessee shall execute and record a release or releases containing a satisfactory legal description of the acreage and/or depths not retained hereunder. The recorded release, or a certified copy of same, shall be filed in the General Land Office, accompanied by the filing fee prescribed by the General Land Office rules in effect on the date the release is filed. If Lessee fails or refuses to execute and record such release or releases within ninety (90) days after being requested to do so by the General Land Office, then the Commissioner at his sole discretion may designate by written instrument the acreage and/or depths to be released hereunder and record such instrument at Lessee's expense in the county or counties where the lease is located and in the official records of the General Land Office and such designation shall be binding upon Lessee for all purposes.

17. OFFSET WELLS. Neither the bonus, delay rentals, nor royalties paid, or to be paid, under this lease shall relieve Lessee of his obligation to protect the oil and gas under the above-described land from being drained. Lessee, sublessee, receiver or other agent in control of the leased premises shall drill as many wells as the facts may justify and shall use appropriate means and drill to a depth necessary to prevent undue drainage of oil and gas from the leased premises. In addition, if oil and/or gas should be produced in commercial quantities within 1,000 feet of the leased premises, or in any case where the leased premises is being drained by production of oil or gas, the Lessee, sublessee, receiver or other agent in control of the leased premises shall in good faith begin the drilling of a well or wells upon the leased premises within 100 days after the draining well or wells or the well or wells completed within 1,000 feet of the leased premises start producing in commercial quantities and shall prosecute such drilling with diligence. Failure to satisfy the statutory offset obligation may subject this lease and the owner of the soil's agency rights to forfeiture. Only upon the determination of the Commissioner of the General Land Office and with his written approval may the payment of compensatory royalty under applicable statutory parameters satisfy the obligation to drill an offset well or wells required under this paragraph.

18. FORCE MAJEURE. If, after a good faith effort, Lessee is prevented from complying with any express or implied covenant of this lease, from conducting drilling operations on the leased premises, or from producing oil or gas from the leased premises by reason of war, rebellion, riots, strikes, acts of God, or any valid order, rule or regulation of government authority, then while so prevented, Lessee's obligation to comply with such covenant shall be suspended and Lessee shall not be liable for damages for failure to comply with such covenants; additionally, this lease shall be extended while Lessee is prevented, by any such cause, from conducting drilling and reworking operations or from producing oil or gas from the leased premises. However, nothing in this paragraph shall suspend the payment of delay rentals in order to maintain this lease in effect during the primary term in the absence of such drilling or reworking operations or production of oil or gas.

19. WARRANTY CLAUSE. The owner of the soil warrants and agrees to defend title to the leased premises. If the owner of the soil defaults in payments owed on the leased premises, then Lessee may redeem the rights of the owner of the soil in the leased premises by paying any mortgage, taxes or other liens on the leased premises. If Lessee makes payments on behalf of the owner of the soil under this paragraph, Lessee may recover the cost of these payments from the rental and royalties due the owner of the soil.

20. (A) PROPORTIONATE REDUCTION CLAUSE. If the owner of the soil owns less than the entire undivided surface estate in the above described land, whether or not Lessee's interest is specified herein, then the royalties and rental herein provided to be paid to the owner of the soil shall be paid to him in the proportion which his interest bears to the entire undivided surface estate and the royalties and rental herein provided to be paid to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas shall be likewise proportionately reduced. However, before Lessee adjusts the royalty or rental due to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Lessee or his authorized representative must submit to the Commissioner of the General Land Office a written statement which explains the discrepancy between the interest purportedly leased under this lease and the actual interest owned by the owner of the soil. The Commissioner of the General Land Office shall be paid the value of the whole production allocable to any undivided interest not covered by a lease, less the proportionate development and production cost allocable to such undivided interest. However, in no event shall the Commissioner of the General Land Office receive as a royalty on the gross production allocable to the undivided interest not leased an amount less than the value of one-sixteenth (1/16) of such gross production.

(B) REDUCTION OF PAYMENTS. If, during the primary term, a portion of the land covered by this lease is included within the boundaries of a pooled unit that has been approved by the School Land Board and the owner of the soil in accordance with Natural Resources Code Sections 52.151-52.154, or if, at any time after the expiration of the primary term or the extended term, this lease covers a lesser number of acres than the total amount described herein, payments that are made on a per acre basis hereunder shall be reduced according to the number of acres pooled, released, surrendered, or otherwise severed, so that payments determined on a per acre basis under the terms of this lease during the primary term shall be calculated based upon the number of acres outside the boundaries of a pooled unit, or, if after the expiration of the primary term, the number of acres actually retained and covered by this lease.

21. USE OF WATER. Lessee shall have the right to use water produced on said land necessary for operations under this lease except water from wells or tanks of the owner of the soil; provided, however, Lessee shall not use potable water or water suitable for livestock or irrigation purposes for waterflood operations without the prior consent of the owner of the soil.

22. AUTHORIZED DAMAGES. Lessee shall pay the owner of the soil for damages caused by its operations to all personal property, improvements, livestock and crops on said land.

23. PIPELINE DEPTH. When requested by the owner of the soil, Lessee shall bury its pipelines below plow depth.

24. WELL LOCATION LIMIT. No well shall be drilled nearer than two hundred (200) feet to any house or barn now on said premises without the written consent of the owner of the soil.

25. POLLUTION. In developing this area, Lessee shall use the highest degree of care and all proper safeguards to prevent pollution. Without limiting the foregoing, pollution of coastal wetlands, natural waterways, rivers and impounded water shall be prevented by the use of containment facilities sufficient to prevent spillage, seepage or ground water contamination. In the event of pollution, Lessee shall use all means at its disposal to recapture all escaped hydrocarbons or other pollutant and shall be responsible for all damage to public and private properties. Lessee shall build and maintain fences around its slush, sump, and drainage pits and tank batteries so as to protect livestock against loss, damage or injury; and upon completion or abandonment of any well or wells, Lessee shall fill and level all slush pits and cellars and completely clean up the drilling site of all rubbish thereon. Lessee shall, while conducting operations on the leased premises, keep said premises free of all rubbish, cans, bottles, paper cups or garbage, and upon completion of operations shall restore the surface of the land to as near its original condition and contours as is practicable. Tanks and equipment will be kept painted and presentable.

26. REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT. Subject to limitations in this paragraph, Lessee shall have the right to remove machinery and fixtures placed by Lessee on the leased premises, including the right to draw and remove casing, within one hundred twenty (120) days after the expiration or the termination of this lease unless the owner of the soil grants Lessee an extension of this 120-day period. However, Lessee may not remove casing from any well capable of producing oil and gas in paying quantities. Additionally, Lessee may not draw and remove casing until after thirty (30) days written notice to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and to the owner of the soil. The owner of the soil shall become the owner of any machinery, fixtures, or casing which are not timely removed by Lessee under the terms of this paragraph.

27. (A) ASSIGNMENTS. Under the conditions contained in this paragraph and Paragraph 29 of this lease, the rights and estates of either party to this lease may be assigned, in whole or in part, and the provisions of this lease shall extend to and be binding upon their heirs, devisees, legal representatives, successors and assigns. However, a change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties will not enlarge the obligations of Lessee, diminish the rights, privileges and estates of Lessee, impair the effectiveness of any payment made by Lessee or impair the effectiveness of any act performed by Lessee. And no change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties shall bind Lessee for any purpose until thirty (30) days after the owner of the soil (or his heirs, devisees, legal representatives or assigns) furnishes the Lessee with satisfactory written evidence of the change in ownership, including the original recorded muniments of title (or a certified copy of such original) when the ownership changed because of a conveyance. A total or partial assignment of this lease shall, to the extent of the interest assigned, relieve and discharge Lessee of all subsequent

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obligations under this lease. If this lease is assigned in its entirety as to only part of the acreage, the right and option to pay rentals shall be apportioned as between the several owners ratably, according to the area of each, and failure by one or more of them to pay his share of the rental shall not affect this lease on the part of the land upon which pro rata rentals are timely paid or tendered; however, if the assignor or assignee does not file a certified copy of such assignment in the General Land Office before the next rental paying date, the entire lease shall terminate for failure to pay the entire rental due under Paragraph 3. Every assignee shall succeed to all rights and be subject to all obligations, liabilities, and penalties owed to the State by the original lessee or any prior assignee of the lease, including any liabilities to the State for unpaid royalties.

(B) ASSIGNMENT LIMITATION. Notwithstanding any provision in Paragraph 27(a), if the owner of the soil acquires this lease in whole or in part by assignment without the prior written approval of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, this lease is void as of the time of assignment and the agency power of the owner may be forfeited by the Commissioner. An assignment will be treated as if it were made to the owner of the soil if the assignee is:

- (1) a nominee of the owner of the soil;
- (2) a corporation or subsidiary in which the owner of the soil is a principal stockholder or is an employee of such a corporation or subsidiary;
- (3) a partnership in which the owner of the soil is a partner or is an employee of such a partnership;
- (4) a principal stockholder or employee of the corporation which is the owner of the soil;
- (5) a partner or employee in a partnership which is the owner of the soil;
- (6) a fiduciary for the owner of the soil; including but not limited to a guardian, trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, or conservator for the owner of the soil; or
- (7) a family member of the owner of the soil or related to the owner of the soil by marriage, blood, or adoption.

28. RELEASES. Under the conditions contained in this paragraph and Paragraph 29, Lessee may at any time execute and deliver to the owner of the soil and place of record a release or releases covering any portion or portions of the leased premises, and thereby surrender this lease as to such portion or portions, and be relieved of all subsequent obligations as to acreage surrendered. If any part of this lease is properly surrendered, the delay rental due under this lease shall be reduced by the proportion that the surrendered acreage bears to the acreage which was covered by this lease immediately prior to such surrender; however, such release will not relieve Lessee of any liabilities which may have accrued under this lease prior to the surrender of such acreage.

29. FILING OF ASSIGNMENTS AND RELEASES. If all or any part of this lease is assigned or released, such assignment or release must be recorded in the county where the land is situated, and the recorded instrument, or a copy of the recorded instrument certified by the County Clerk of the County in which the instrument is recorded, must be filed in the General Land Office within 90 days of the last execution date accompanied by the prescribed filing fee. If any such assignment is not so filed, the rights acquired under this lease shall be subject to forfeiture at the option of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

30. DISCLOSURE CLAUSE. All provisions pertaining to the lease of the above-described land have been included in this instrument, including the statement of the true consideration to be paid for the execution of this lease and the rights and duties of the parties. Any collateral agreements concerning the development of oil and gas from the leased premises which are not contained in this lease render this lease invalid.

31. FIDUCIARY DUTY. The owner of the soil owes the State a fiduciary duty and must fully disclose any facts affecting the State's interest in the leased premises. When the interests of the owner of the soil conflict with those of the State, the owner of the soil is obligated to put the State's interests before his personal interests.

32. FORFEITURE. If Lessee shall fail or refuse to make the payment of any sum within thirty days after it becomes due, or if Lessee or an authorized agent should knowingly make any false return or false report concerning production or drilling, or if Lessee shall fail or refuse to drill any offset well or wells in good faith as required by law and the rules and regulations adopted by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, or if Lessee should fail to file reports in the manner required by law or fail to comply with rules and regulations promulgated by the General Land Office, the School Land Board, or the Railroad Commission, or if Lessee should refuse the proper authority access to the records pertaining to operations, or if Lessee or an authorized agent should knowingly fail or refuse to give correct information to the proper authority, or knowingly fail or refuse to furnish the General Land Office a correct log of any well, or if Lessee shall knowingly violate any of the material provisions of this lease, or if this lease is assigned and the assignment is not filed in the General Land Office as required by law, the rights acquired under this lease shall be subject to forfeiture by the Commissioner, and he shall forfeit same when sufficiently informed of the facts which authorize a forfeiture, and when forfeited the area shall again be subject to lease under the terms of the Relinquishment Act. However, nothing herein shall be construed as waiving the automatic termination of this lease by operation of law or by reason of any special limitation arising hereunder. Forfeitures may be set aside and this lease and all rights thereunder reinstated before the rights of another intervene upon satisfactory evidence to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of future compliance with the provisions of the law and of this lease and the rules and regulations that may be adopted relative hereto.

33. LIEN. In accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code 52.136, the State shall have a first lien upon all oil and gas produced from the area covered by this lease to secure payment of all unpaid royalty and other sums of money that may become due under this lease. By acceptance of this lease, Lessee grants the State, in addition to the lien provided by Texas Natural Resources Code 52.136 and any other applicable statutory lien, an express contractual lien on and security interest in all leased minerals in and extracted from the leased premises, all proceeds which may accrue to Lessee from the sale of such leased minerals, whether such proceeds are held by Lessee or by a third party, and all fixtures on and improvements to the leased premises used in connection with the production or processing of such leased minerals in order to secure the payment of all royalties or other amounts due or to become due under this lease and to secure payment of any damages or loss that Lessor may suffer by reason of Lessee's breach of any covenant or condition of this lease, whether express or implied. This lien and security interest may be foreclosed with or without court proceedings in the manner provided in the Title 1, Chap. 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code. Lessee agrees that the Commissioner may require Lessee to execute and record such instruments as may be reasonably necessary to acknowledge, attach or perfect this lien. Lessee hereby represents that there are no prior or superior liens arising from and relating to Lessee's activities upon the above-described property or from Lessee's acquisition of this lease. Should the Commissioner at any time determine that this representation is not true, then the Commissioner may declare this lease forfeited as provided herein.

34. POOLING. Lessee is hereby granted the right to pool or unitize the royalty interest of the owner of the soil under this lease with any other leasehold or mineral interest for the exploration, development and production of oil or gas or either of them upon the same terms as shall be approved by the School Land Board and the Commissioner of the General Land Office for the pooling or unitizing of the interest of the State under this lease pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code 52.151-52.154. The owner of the soil agrees that the inclusion of this provision in this lease satisfies the execution requirements stated in Texas Natural Resources Code 52.152.

35. INDEMNITY. Lessee hereby releases and discharges the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees, partners, agents, contractors, subcontractors, guests, invitees, and their respective successors and assigns, of and from all and any actions and causes of action of every nature, or other harm, including environmental harm, for which recovery of damages is sought, including, but not limited to, all losses and expenses which are caused by the activities of Lessee, its officers, employees, and agents arising out of, incidental to, or resulting from, the operations of or for Lessee on the leased premises hereunder, or that may arise out of or be occasioned by Lessee's breach of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement, or by any other negligent or strictly liable act or omission of Lessee. Further, Lessee hereby agrees to be liable for, exonerate, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees and agents, their successors or assigns, against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, actions, personal injury (including death), costs and expenses, or other harm for which recovery of damages is sought, under any theory including tort, contract, or strict liability, including attorneys' fees and other legal expenses, including those related to environmental hazards, on the leased premises or in any way related to Lessee's failure to comply with any and all environmental laws; those arising from or in any way related to Lessee's operations or any other of Lessee's activities on the leased premises; those arising from Lessee's use of the surface of the leased premises; and those that may arise out of or be occasioned by Lessee's breach of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement or any other act or omission of Lessee, its directors, officers, employees, partners, agents, contractors, subcontractors, guests, invitees, and their respective successors and assigns. Each assignee of this Agreement, or an interest therein, agrees to be liable for, exonerate, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees, and agents in the same manner provided above in connection with the activities of Lessee, its officers, employees, and agents as described above. **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE EXPRESSLY LIMITED HEREIN, ALL OF THE INDEMNITY OBLIGATIONS AND/OR LIABILITIES ASSUMED UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE WITHOUT LIMITS AND WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CAUSE OR CAUSES THEREOF (EXCLUDING PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS), STRICT LIABILITY, OR THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PARTY OR PARTIES (INCLUDING THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY), WHETHER SUCH NEGLIGENCE BE SOLE, JOINT, CONCURRENT, ACTIVE, OR PASSIVE.**



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36. ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS. Lessee shall use the highest degree of care and all reasonable safeguards to prevent contamination or pollution of any environmental medium, including soil, surface waters, groundwater, sediments, and surface or subsurface strata, ambient air or any other environmental medium in, on, or under, the leased premises, by any waste, pollutant, or contaminant. Lessee shall not bring or permit to remain on the leased premises any asbestos containing materials, explosives, toxic materials, or substances regulated as hazardous wastes, hazardous materials, hazardous substances (as the term "Hazardous Substance" is defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601, et seq.), or toxic substances under any federal, state, or local law or regulation ("Hazardous Materials"), except ordinary products commonly used in connection with oil and gas exploration and development operations and stored in the usual manner and quantities. **LESSEE'S VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING PROHIBITION SHALL CONSTITUTE A MATERIAL BREACH AND DEFAULT HEREUNDER AND LESSEE SHALL INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFEND THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE OWNER OF THE SOIL FROM AND AGAINST ANY CLAIMS, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES, LIABILITIES, AND COSTS (INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COURT COSTS) CAUSED BY OR ARISING OUT OF (1) A VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING PROHIBITION OR (2) THE PRESENCE, RELEASE, OR DISPOSAL OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ON, UNDER, OR ABOUT THE LEASED PREMISES DURING LESSEE'S OCCUPANCY OR CONTROL OF THE LEASED PREMISES. LESSEE SHALL CLEAN UP, REMOVE, REMEDY AND REPAIR ANY SOIL OR GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION AND DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE PRESENCE OR RELEASE OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IN, ON, UNDER, OR ABOUT THE LEASED PREMISES DURING LESSEE'S OCCUPANCY OF THE LEASED PREMISES IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF APPLICABLE LAW. THIS INDEMNIFICATION AND ASSUMPTION SHALL APPLY, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, LIABILITY FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN PURSUANT TO CERCLA OR ANY OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL LAW OR REGULATION. LESSEE SHALL IMMEDIATELY GIVE THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE OWNER OF THE SOIL WRITTEN NOTICE OF ANY BREACH OR SUSPECTED BREACH OF THIS PARAGRAPH, UPON LEARNING OF THE PRESENCE OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, OR UPON RECEIVING A NOTICE FROM ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY PERTAINING TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WHICH MAY AFFECT THE LEASED PREMISES. THE OBLIGATIONS OF LESSEE HEREUNDER SHALL SURVIVE THE EXPIRATION OR EARLIER TERMINATION, FOR ANY REASON, OF THIS AGREEMENT.**

37. APPLICABLE LAW. This lease is issued under the provisions of Texas Natural Resources Code 52.171 through 52.190, commonly known as the Relinquishment Act, and other applicable statutes and amendments thereto, and if any provision in this lease does not conform to these statutes, the statutes will prevail over any nonconforming lease provisions.

38. EXECUTION. This oil and gas lease must be signed and acknowledged by the Lessee before it is filed of record in the county records and in the General Land Office of the State of Texas. Once the filing requirements found in Paragraph 39 of this lease have been satisfied, the effective date of this lease shall be the date found on Page 1.

39. LEASE FILING. Pursuant to Chapter 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code, this lease must be filed of record in the office of the County Clerk in any county in which all or any part of the leased premises is located, and certified copies thereof must be filed in the General Land Office. This lease is not effective until a certified copy of this lease (which is made and certified by the County Clerk from his records) is filed in the General Land Office in accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code 52.183. Additionally, this lease shall not be binding upon the State unless it recites the actual and true consideration paid or promised for execution of this lease. The bonus due the State and the prescribed filing fee shall accompany such certified copy to the General Land Office.

ADDENDUM PROVISION - #40, 41, 42 AND 43

40. DELAY RENTALS. As stipulated in Paragraph #3 of this lease, the rentals for this lease have been PAID-UP for the second (2nd) and third (3rd) years of the primary term hereof. Lessee or its assigns shall have the right to keep this lease in force and effect for the fourth (4th) and fifth (5th) years of the primary term provided for herein by tendering a payment of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) per net acre prior to January 11, 2014, as to any acreage covered hereby and not otherwise being maintained by any other provision herein at such time.

41. WATER WELLS. Lessee shall have use of water from the land leased herein, and purchased from Lessor at the rate of \$7,500, proportionate to Lessor's interest, per well drilled by Lessee. Any water well which Lessee drills shall be cased from top to bottom; the surface pipe shall be enclosed in concrete either two feet square or two feet in diameter in the form of a circle with sufficient length of the pipe protruding above the enclosure to facilitate installation of connections or well equipment. On termination of Lessee's use of a well, Lessor shall have the option of assuming ownership of the well. If Lessor accepts the well, the well shall be capped-off, and turned over to the surface owner by written notice, and the well, casing, pump, and electrical poles and lines leading to the well, shall become the property of the surface owner and shall be left by Lessee in the same condition as when water was last obtained from it by Lessee. Furthermore, if Lessor accepts the well, it is agreed that Lessor will accept all responsibility for such well or wells and the plugging of same at no cost to Lessee, and will hold Lessee harmless from any claims, damages or any other causes of action against Lessee during that time Lessor elects to operate same. If Lessor elects not to assume ownership of the well, Lessee shall plug the well and remove all related equipment.

42. Lessee agrees to furnish Lessor copies of logs showing the intervals and depths in which Lessee encounters fresh water aquifers.

43. If, at the expiration of the primary term, this lease is being maintained in force under any provision of the lease, or within 180 days prior to the expiration of the primary term Lessee has completed a well as a dry hole or commenced a well on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith, or Lessee is then engaged in operations on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith, Lessee agrees to begin a continuous drilling program within 180 days after the end of the primary term or within 180 days after completion of such well or the cessation of such operations, whichever is the later date; and thereafter to carry on the continuous drilling program on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith until all proration units have been drilled, allowing not more than 180 days to elapse between the completion of one well and the commencement of the succeeding well. Should Lessee fail to begin the continuous drilling program or subsequently default in the performance thereof, then in either event, this lease shall terminate as to all lands covered hereby, save and except for the proration unit surrounding each well then producing, capable of producing or upon which operations are being conducted, limited, respectively, to those depths from the surface down to the stratigraphic equivalent of the depth 100 feet below the base of the deepest penetrated formation. As used in this paragraph: i) the term "commission" means the Railroad Commission of the State of Texas or any successor agency, ii) the term "proration unit" means any acreage designated as a drilling unit or production unit in accordance with the rules of the commission (or any other governmental authority having jurisdiction) or any unit formed by pooling as provided in this lease or otherwise, iii) the terms "commenced" and "commencement" mean the date when a well is spudded, and iv) the terms "completed" and "completion" mean the date the initial potential test report is filed with the commission, if a productive well, or the date the plugging report is filed with the commission, if a dry hole, in either event no later than 60 days after the drilling rig has been released. Notwithstanding the partial termination of this lease, Lessee shall continue to have the rights of ingress and egress across all of the leased premises to and from lands that remain subject to this lease, or lands pooled therewith, for the purposes described in paragraph 1 hereof, together with easements and rights of way for roads, pipelines, flowlines and other facilities on or across all of the leased premises for the exploration, development, production, gathering or transportation of oil, gas and other products from the lands still subject to this lease or lands pooled therewith. The sole liability or penalty for the failure of Lessee to drill any well or wells required or permitted by this lease shall be the termination or partial termination of Lessee's rights under the lease as provided above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date first above written.

STATE OF TEXAS

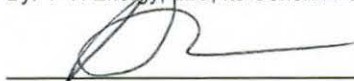


BY: ROBERT W. DEBOLT
As President of Meeker Investments, Inc.
and as agent for the State of Texas

Date: 2-9-2011

LESSEE: PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP

By: P-H Energy, LLC, Its General Partner



BY: D.R. Deffenbaugh

Title: Vice President - Land

Date: 5-18-11



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STATE OF OKLAHOMA
COUNTY OF TULSA

(CORPORATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared D.R. Deffenbaugh
known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instruments as Vice President - Mid-Continent Land
of P-H Energy, LLC, general partner of Petrohawk Properties, LP, a Texas limited partnership and acknowledged to me that he
executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity stated, and as the act and deed of said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 18th day of May, 20 11.



Rita Kay Walker
Notary Public in and for Oklahoma

STATE OF California
COUNTY OF San Diego

(CORPORATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Robert W. Debolt known to me to be the person
whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instruments as President of MEEKER INVESTMENTS, INC. and acknowledged to me that
he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity stated, and as the act and deed of said
corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 11 day of May, 20 11.



J. Courtney
Notary Public in and for San Diego County, CA



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EXHIBIT "A"
SURFACE USE AGREEMENT

Attached to and made a part of that certain Oil and Gas Lease dated January 11th, 2011 from the **State of Texas**, acting by and through its agent, **MEEKER INVESTMENTS, INC. REPRESENTED HEREIN BY ROBERT W. DEBOLT**, as Lessor, in favor of **PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP**, as Lessee, covering 1920.00 gross acres, more or less in Reeves County, Texas.

It is agreed and understood that any payments of monies made pursuant to the provisions and/or terms of this lease including but not limited to payments designated to be paid to "Lessor" shall be paid in equal proportions with 50% of any such payments payable to the State of Texas and the remaining 50% of such payments payable to the owner(s) of the soil in proportion to the undivided interest of any such owner(s) of the soil at the time such payments are to be made.

"Lessee," as used herein shall include Lessee's agents and representatives, and "Lessor," as used herein, shall include Lessor's agents and representatives.

In the furtherance of the purposes and objectives set forth in this lease, Lessor and Lessee further agree that their respective rights, obligations and entitlements regarding the use of the surface of said land (as defined in the lease) are as follows:

1. ROADS. Lessee shall have the right to build, in segments, roads to access and service any and all wells, gas pipelines, gas gathering and gas processing plants, and all other facilities, stations, systems and equipment located on said land, provided they are in the furtherance of the objectives of this lease. Lessee will pay Lessor a one time payment of **One Dollar per linear foot** for the road easement/right-of-way and as damages for each segment of road so built. The number of linear feet on a particular road shall be determined by measuring the actual distance with a rolling measurement tool designed for such a purpose. Such payment shall be made prior to the commencement of each segment of road. Lessee agrees to grade and gravel all roads, as necessary, and confine all travel incident to the drilling and production of such well to the single graded road. Lessee shall have the right to use existing roads and gates without payment of additional consideration, but Lessee will consult with Lessor regarding its use of existing roads and gates to be certain that Lessee's use does not unreasonably interfere with Lessor's use thereof. Lessee will maintain all roads and gates used in connection with its operations in a state of good condition and repair. Lessee shall have the right to place its own lock on any gate which it must pass through to conduct its operations, and Lessor shall be entitled to a key or combination to all of Lessee's locks. In regards to maintenance of roads and gates used by Lessee, Lessee shall repair the damaged portions within a reasonable time after written notice by Lessor of need for such repair, and Lessee agrees to work with Lessor to keep them in a continuous state of good condition and repair. In connection with any roads built by Lessee, Lessee agrees to consult with Lessor as to the location of such roads and will construct division terraces as may be reasonably necessary to reduce soil erosion. If Lessor requests, Lessee will install cattle guards or, at Lessor's option, pipe gates to the side of such cattle guard at each fence crossing. If Lessee decides to abandon a road, or a portion of a road, built under the terms of this lease, Lessee will notify Lessor in writing of its abandonment, after which time Lessee will no longer be entitled to use the abandoned portion. Once Lessee abandons a road, or a portion thereof, Lessee shall no longer be responsible for maintaining it. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of said amount, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

2. DRILLING LOCATIONS. Lessor grants to Lessee the right to build drilling locations on said land. Lessee will pay Lessor the **total sum of \$1,000 for each such location**. Payment will be made to Lessor prior to Lessee's commencement of dirt work on each location; however, Lessee will have the right to survey and stake wells prior to making such payment. No additional consideration shall be due Lessor for a substitute or replacement well that is located within 150 feet (plus a tolerance of 10%, plus a reasonable distance if the terrain or improvements thereon so necessitate) of the original borehole. After the drilling and completion of a producing well, Lessee will reduce the size of the location to the smallest reasonable area, as determined solely by Lessee, necessary to operate the well and to perform any workover operations. Pits will be filled and drilling locations will be restored as nearly as practicable to their original condition and contour within 180 days of completion (whether as a dry hole or a producer) of each well, weather permitting. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of said amount, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

3. PIPELINES, SEPARATORS, DEHYDRATORS, COMPRESSORS, GAS GATHERING AND PROCESSING FACILITIES. Lessee shall have the right to lay water pipelines, oil pipelines and gas pipelines, and to build separators, dehydrators, compressors, gas gathering and processing facilities and systems, and to lay or build any other pipelines, equipment or facilities on said land that are in the furtherance of the purposes and objectives of this lease. The consideration and damages to which Lessor will be entitled for any of these lines, systems and facilities will be negotiated when it is determined where they are to be located and how much land is needed. Lessor and Lessee agree that the consideration to which Lessor will be entitled shall be the **fair market value** of similar lands in the area of the land so used. If requested by Lessee and upon payment by Lessee to Lessor of the agreed upon consideration and damages, Lessor will execute an agreement, suitable for recording, that conveys to Lessee the rights herein granted.

4. DUTY TO FENCE AND RESTORE SURFACE. When requested by Lessor, Lessee agrees to promptly fence all pits and installations to prevent entry into such pits and installations by livestock. Lessee agrees, within a reasonable time after the completion of drilling or reworking operations, to remove all driller's mud and chemicals, to level all dumps and mounds, fill all holes, pits, ditches and excavations, and at Lessor's election



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5. FENCES AND GATES. Lessee agrees that Lessee will not cut or go over any fence or fences of Lessor at any time or in connection with any operations on said land, without first obtaining written consent from Lessor. If such consent to the cutting of a fence is obtained, the cuts must be made at the place designated by Lessor; and Lessee agrees, prior to cutting any fence, to brace the existing fence adequately on both sides of the proposed cut so that when the fence is cut, there will be no slacking of the wires. If Lessor so requests, Lessee will install and maintain a substantial metal cattle guard capable of turning cattle, promptly after making such cut. Lessee will install a substantial metal gate, which shall be kept locked when not in actual use. Lessor may install its own locks in addition to Lessee's lock on said gate, and if so, Lessor will provide Lessee with keys (or combination) to the lock. Upon termination of this lease, or the portion thereof on which a cattle guard or gate is located, such cattle guard and gate shall, at the option of Lessor, become Lessor's property. So long as this lease shall remain in force, gates and cattle guards used by Lessee shall be maintained by Lessee in good condition and repair, capable of turning cattle. Lessee agrees to promptly close all gates and lock all outside gates which Lessee may use in Lessee's operations on said land.

Unless otherwise specifically addressed above, Lessee shall pay Lessor for any damages to Lessor's surface that are the direct result of Lessee's actions in the furtherance of the purposes and objectives of this lease, and the damages to which Lessor shall be entitled will be negotiated within a reasonable period of time after the occurrence. If Lessor and Lessee are unable to agree upon the damages or consideration to be paid to Lessor, Lessee's rights hereunder shall not be postponed or delayed pending any determination of the amount of such damages or compensation. Under no circumstances shall such damages exceed the fair market value of the damaged or contaminated land, unless such damages are the result of Lessee's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

8. SPEED LIMITS. Lessee agrees to observe and obey all posted speed limits on the premises.

10. NO HUNTING OR FISHING. Lessee is not allowed to engage in hunting or fishing on said land without the written consent of Lessor; neither is Lessee allowed to bring any dog, firearm, or fishing tackle upon said land, without the written consent of Lessor. Lessor shall have the right, at all reasonable times and at its own expense, to inspect vehicles entering upon said land, for the purpose of verifying that no such articles are being brought on to said land.

12. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. The terms in this lease and this surface use agreement shall be binding upon Lessor and Lessee, and their successors and assigns.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Brown, Texas
 _____ day of _____, 20____

 District Clerk

 I, District Clerk of the County Court in and for Brown County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of _____

 day of _____, 20____

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Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner

By GA

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEVES

I, Dianne O. Florez, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of
0186251605 dated Jan 11, 2011
filed for record in my office this 11th day of August 2011 at
10:06 AM, under Clerk's File No. 557, to be recorded in the
official public

Records of Reeves County, Texas.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Pecos, Texas
this 11th day of August 2011

By [Signature] Deputy.
Dianne O. Florez
DIANNE O. FLOREZ, COUNTY CLERK
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

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Notice of Confidentiality Rights: If you are a natural person, you may remove or strike any of the following information from this instrument before it is filed for record in the public records: your social security number or your driver's license number.

General Land Office
Relinquishment Act Lease Form
Revised, September 1997

MF112096D

The State of Texas



Austin, Texas

OIL AND GAS LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 28th day of April, 2011, between the State of Texas, acting

by and through its agent, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. TRUSTEE OF THE CHARLES R. MEEKER TRUST U/A DTD JULY 6, 1992, BUT AMENDED AND RESTATED ON JUNE 5, 1998, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY EDWARD STANDLEY, TRUST OFFICER

of POST OFFICE BOX 2546, FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76113

(Give Permanent Address)

said agent herein referred to as the owner of the soil (whether one or more), and PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP

of 6100 SOUTH YALE AVENUE, SUITE 500, TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74136 hereinafter called Lessee.

(Give Permanent Address)

1. GRANTING CLAUSE. For and in consideration of the amounts stated below and of the covenants and agreements to be paid, kept and performed by Lessee under this lease, the State of Texas acting by and through the owner of the soil, hereby grants, leases and lets unto Lessee, for the sole and only purpose of prospecting and drilling for and producing oil and gas, laying pipe lines, building tanks, storing oil and building power stations, telephone lines and other structures thereon, to produce, save, take care of, treat and transport said products of the lease, the following lands situated in REEVES County, State of Texas, to-wit:

All of Section 43, A-4005 & A-4204, all of Section 44, A-4006 and all of Section 45, A-4007, Block 59, PSL Survey

FOR ADDITIONAL TERMS AND PROVISIONS, SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Containing 1920.000 acres, more or less. The bonus consideration paid for this lease is as follows:

To the State of Texas: EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND AND 00/100

Dollars (\$84,000.00)

To the owner of the soil: EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND AND 00/100

Dollars (\$84,000.00)

Total bonus consideration: ONE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND AND 00/100

Dollars (\$168,000.00)

The total bonus consideration paid represents a bonus of ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND 00/100

Dollars (\$1200.00) per acre, on 140.000 net acres.

2. TERM. Subject to the other provisions in this lease, this lease shall be for a term of FIVE years from this date (herein called "primary term") and as long thereafter as oil and gas, or either of them, is produced in paying quantities from said land. As used in this lease, the term "produced in paying quantities" means that the receipts from the sale or other authorized commercial use of the substance(s) covered exceed out of pocket operational expenses for the six months last past.

3. DELAY RENTALS. If no well is commenced on the leased premises on or before one (1) year from this date, this lease shall terminate, unless on or before such anniversary date Lessee shall pay or tender to the owner of the soil or to his credit in the _____ Bank, at _____ PAY DIRECTLY TO OWNER OF THE SOIL or its successors (which shall continue as the depository regardless of changes in the ownership of said land), the amount specified below; in addition, Lessee shall pay or tender to the COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT AUSTIN, TEXAS, a like sum on or before said date. Payments under this paragraph shall operate as a rental and shall cover the privilege of deferring the commencement of a well for one (1) year from said date. Payments under this paragraph shall be in the following amounts:

To the owner of the soil: _____

Dollars (\$ _____)

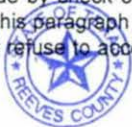
To the State of Texas: REFER TO ADDENDUM PARAGRAPH 40 (THIS IS A PAID UP LEASE)

Dollars (\$ _____)

Total Delay Rental: _____

Dollars (\$ _____)

In a like manner and upon like payments or tenders annually, the commencement of a well may be further deferred for successive periods of one (1) year each during the primary term. All payments or tenders of rental to the owner of the soil may be made by check or sight draft of Lessee or any assignee of this lease, and may be delivered on or before the rental paying date. If the bank designated in this paragraph (or its successor bank) should cease to exist, suspend business, liquidate, fail or be succeeded by another bank, or for any reason fail or refuse to accept rental, Lessee shall not be



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held in default for failure to make such payments or tenders of rental until thirty (30) days after the owner of the soil shall deliver to Lessee a proper recordable instrument naming another bank as agent to receive such payments or tenders.

4. PRODUCTION ROYALTIES. Upon production of oil and/or gas, Lessee agrees to pay or cause to be paid one-half (1/2) of the royalty provided for in this lease to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, and one-half (1/2) of such royalty to the owner of the soil:

(A) **OIL.** Royalty payable on oil, which is defined as including all hydrocarbons produced in a liquid form at the mouth of the well and also as all condensate, distillate, and other liquid hydrocarbons recovered from oil or gas run through a separator or other equipment, as hereinafter provided, shall be 1/4 part of the gross production or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such value to be determined by 1) the highest posted price, plus premium, if any, offered or paid for oil, condensate, distillate, or other liquid hydrocarbons, respectively, of a like type and gravity in the general area where produced and when run, or 2) the highest market price thereof offered or paid in the general area where produced and when run, or 3) the gross proceeds of the sale thereof, whichever is the greater. Lessee agrees that before any gas produced from the leased premises is sold, used or processed in a plant, it will be run free of cost to the royalty owners through an adequate oil and gas separator of conventional type, or other equipment at least as efficient, so that all liquid hydrocarbons recoverable from the gas by such means will be recovered. The requirement that such gas be run through a separator or other equipment may be waived, in writing, by the royalty owners upon such terms and conditions as they prescribe.

(B) **NON PROCESSED GAS.** Royalty on any gas (including flared gas), which is defined as all hydrocarbons and gaseous substances not defined as oil in subparagraph (A) above, produced from any well on said land (except as provided herein with respect to gas processed in a plant for the extraction of gasoline, liquid hydrocarbons or other products) shall be 1/4 part of the gross production or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such value to be based on the highest market price paid or offered for gas of comparable quality in the general area where produced and when run, or the gross price paid or offered to the producer, whichever is the greater; provided that the maximum pressure base in measuring the gas under this lease shall not at any time exceed 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard base temperature shall be sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit, correction to be made for pressure according to Boyle's Law, and for specific gravity according to tests made by the Balance Method or by the most approved method of testing being used by the industry at the time of testing.

(C) **PROCESSED GAS.** Royalty on any gas processed in a gasoline plant or other plant for the recovery of gasoline or other liquid hydrocarbons shall be 1/4 part of the residue gas and the liquid hydrocarbons extracted or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office. All royalties due herein shall be based on one hundred percent (100%) of the total plant production of residue gas attributable to gas produced from this lease, and on fifty percent (50%), or that percent accruing to Lessee, whichever is the greater, of the total plant production of liquid hydrocarbons attributable to the gas produced from this lease; provided that if liquid hydrocarbons are recovered from gas processed in a plant in which Lessee (or its parent, subsidiary or affiliate) owns an interest, then the percentage applicable to liquid hydrocarbons shall be fifty percent (50%) or the highest percent accruing to a third party processing gas through such plant under a processing agreement negotiated at arm's length (or if there is no such third party, the highest percent then being specified in processing agreements or contracts in the industry), whichever is the greater. The respective royalties on residue gas and on liquid hydrocarbons shall be determined by 1) the highest market price paid or offered for any gas (or liquid hydrocarbons) of comparable quality in the general area, or 2) the gross price paid or offered for such residue gas (or the weighted average gross selling price for the respective grades of liquid hydrocarbons), whichever is the greater. In no event, however, shall the royalties payable under this paragraph be less than the royalties which would have been due had the gas not been processed.

(D) **OTHER PRODUCTS.** Royalty on carbon black, sulphur or any other products produced or manufactured from gas (excepting liquid hydrocarbons) whether said gas be "casinghead," "dry," or any other gas, by fractionating, burning or any other processing shall be 1/4 part of the gross production of such products, or the market value thereof, at the option of the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such market value to be determined as follows: 1) on the basis of the highest market price of each product for the same month in which such product is produced, or 2) on the basis of the average gross sale price of each product for the same month in which such products are produced; whichever is the greater.

5. MINIMUM ROYALTY. During any year after the expiration of the primary term of this lease, if this lease is maintained by production, the royalties paid under this lease in no event shall be less than an amount equal to the total annual delay rental herein provided; otherwise, there shall be due and payable on or before the last day of the month succeeding the anniversary date of this lease a sum equal to the total annual rental less the amount of royalties paid during the preceding year. If Paragraph 3 of this lease does not specify a delay rental amount, then for the purposes of this paragraph, the delay rental amount shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per acre.

6. ROYALTY IN KIND. Notwithstanding any other provision in this lease, at any time or from time to time, the owner of the soil or the Commissioner of the General Land Office may, at the option of either, upon not less than sixty (60) days notice to the holder of the lease, require that the payment of any royalties accruing to such royalty owner under this lease be made in kind. The owner of the soil's or the Commissioner of the General Land Office's right to take its royalty in kind shall not diminish or negate the owner of the soil's or the Commissioner of the General Land Office's rights or Lessee's obligations, whether express or implied, under this lease.

7. NO DEDUCTIONS. Lessee agrees that all royalties accruing under this lease (including those paid in kind) shall be without deduction for the cost of producing, gathering, storing, separating, treating, dehydrating, compressing, processing, transporting, and otherwise making the oil, gas and other products hereunder ready for sale or use. Lessee agrees to compute and pay royalties on the gross value received, including any reimbursements for severance taxes and production related costs.

8. PLANT FUEL AND RECYCLED GAS. No royalty shall be payable on any gas as may represent this lease's proportionate share of any fuel used to process gas produced hereunder in any processing plant. Notwithstanding any other provision of this lease, and subject to the written consent of the owner of the soil and the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Lessee may recycle gas for gas lift purposes on the leased premises or for injection into any oil or gas producing formation underlying the leased premises after the liquid hydrocarbons contained in the gas have been removed; no royalties shall be payable on the recycled gas until it is produced and sold or used by Lessee in a manner which entitles the royalty owners to a royalty under this lease.

9. ROYALTY PAYMENTS AND REPORTS. All royalties not taken in kind shall be paid to the Commissioner of the General Land Office at Austin, Texas, in the following manner:

Payment of royalty on production of oil and gas shall be as provided in the rules set forth in the Texas Register. Rules currently provide that royalty on oil is due and must be received in the General Land Office on or before the 5th day of the second month succeeding the month of production, and royalty on gas is due and must be received in the General Land Office on or before the 15th day of the second month succeeding the month of production, accompanied by the affidavit of the owner, manager or other authorized agent, completed in the form and manner prescribed by the General Land Office and showing the gross amount and disposition of all oil and gas produced and the market value of the oil and gas, together with a copy of all documents, records or reports confirming the gross production, disposition and market value including gas meter readings, pipeline receipts, gas line receipts and other checks or memoranda of amount produced and put into pipelines, tanks, or pools and gas lines or gas storage, and any other reports or records which the General Land Office may require to verify the gross production, disposition and market value. In all cases the authority of a manager or agent to act for the Lessee herein must be filed in the General Land Office. Each royalty payment shall be accompanied by a check stub, schedule, summary or other remittance advice showing by the assigned General Land Office lease number the amount of royalty being paid on each lease. If Lessee pays his royalty on or before thirty (30) days after the royalty payment was due, then Lessee owes a penalty of 5% on the royalty or \$25.00, whichever is greater. A royalty payment which is over thirty (30) days late shall accrue a penalty of 10% of the royalty due or \$25.00 whichever is greater. In addition to a penalty, royalties shall accrue interest at a rate of 12% per year; such interest will begin to accrue when the royalty is sixty (60) days overdue. Affidavits and supporting documents which are not filed when due shall incur a penalty in an amount set by the General Land Office administrative rule which is effective on the date when the affidavits or supporting documents were due. The Lessee shall bear all responsibility for paying or causing royalties to be paid as prescribed by the due date provided herein. Payment of the delinquency penalty shall in no way operate to prohibit the State's right of forfeiture as provided by law nor act to postpone the date on which royalties were originally due. The above penalty provisions shall not apply in cases of title dispute as to the State's portion of the royalty or to that portion of the royalty in dispute as to fair market value.

10. (A) RESERVES, CONTRACTS AND OTHER RECORDS. Lessee shall annually furnish the Commissioner of the General Land Office with its best possible estimate of oil and gas reserves underlying this lease or allocable to this lease and shall furnish said Commissioner with copies of all contracts under which gas is sold or processed and all subsequent agreements and amendments to such contracts within thirty (30) days after entering into or making such contracts, agreements or amendments. Such contracts and agreements when received by the General Land Office shall be



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held in confidence by the General Land Office unless otherwise authorized by Lessee. All other contracts and records pertaining to the production, transportation, sale and marketing of the oil and gas produced on said premises, including the books and accounts, receipts and discharges of all wells, tanks, pools, meters, and pipelines shall at all times be subject to inspection and examination by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Attorney General, the Governor, or the representative of any of them.

(B) PERMITS, DRILLING RECORDS. Written notice of all operations on this lease shall be submitted to the Commissioner of the General Land Office by Lessee or operator five (5) days before spud date, workover, re-entry, temporary abandonment or plug and abandonment of any well or wells. Such written notice to the General Land Office shall include copies of Railroad Commission forms for application to drill. Copies of well tests, completion reports and plugging reports shall be supplied to the General Land Office at the time they are filed with the Texas Railroad Commission. All applications, permits, reports or other filings that reference this lease or any specific well on the leased premises and that are submitted to the Texas Railroad Commission or any other governmental agency shall include the word "State" in the title. Additionally, in accordance with Railroad Commission rules, any signage on the leased premises for the purpose of identifying wells, tank batteries or other associated improvements to the land must also include the word "State." Lessee shall supply the General Land Office with any records, memoranda, accounts, reports, cuttings and cores, or other information relative to the operation of the above-described premises, which may be requested by the General Land Office, in addition to those herein expressly provided for. Lessee shall have an electrical and/or radioactivity survey made on the bore-hole section, from the base of the surface casing to the total depth of well, of all wells drilled on the above described premises and shall transmit a true copy of the log of each survey on each well to the General Land Office within fifteen (15) days after the making of said survey.

(C) PENALTIES. Lessee shall incur a penalty whenever reports, documents or other materials are not filed in the General Land Office when due. The penalty for late filing shall be set by the General Land Office administrative rule which is effective on the date when the materials were due in the General Land Office.

11. DRY HOLE/CESSATION OF PRODUCTION DURING PRIMARY TERM. If, during the primary term hereof and prior to discovery and production of oil or gas on said land, Lessee should drill a dry hole or holes thereon, or if during the primary term hereof and after the discovery and actual production of oil or gas from the leased premises such production thereof should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if on or before the expiration of sixty (60) days from date of completion of said dry hole or cessation of production Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations thereon, or pays or tenders the next annual delay rental in the same manner as provided in this lease. If, during the last year of the primary term or within sixty (60) days prior thereto, a dry hole be completed and abandoned, or the production of oil or gas should cease for any cause, Lessee's rights shall remain in full force and effect without further operations until the expiration of the primary term; and if Lessee has not resumed production in paying quantities at the expiration of the primary term, Lessee may maintain this lease by conducting additional drilling or reworking operations pursuant to Paragraph 13, using the expiration of the primary term as the date of cessation of production under Paragraph 13. Should the first well or any subsequent well drilled on the above described land be completed as a shut-in oil or gas well within the primary term hereof, Lessee may resume payment of the annual rental in the same manner as provided herein on or before the rental paying date following the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date of completion of such shut-in oil or gas well and upon the failure to make such payment, this lease shall ipso facto terminate. If at the expiration of the primary term or any time thereafter a shut-in oil or gas well is located on the leased premises, payments may be made in accordance with the shut-in provisions hereof.

12. DRILLING AND REWORKING AT EXPIRATION OF PRIMARY TERM. If, at the expiration of the primary term, neither oil nor gas is being produced on said land, but Lessee is then engaged in drilling or reworking operations thereon, this lease shall remain in force so long as operations on said well or for drilling or reworking of any additional wells are prosecuted in good faith and in workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days during any one such operation, and if they result in the production of oil and/or gas, so long thereafter as oil and/or gas is produced in paying quantities from said land, or payment of shut-in oil or gas well royalties or compensatory royalties is made as provided in this lease.

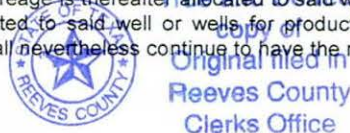
13. CESSATION, DRILLING, AND REWORKING. If, after the expiration of the primary term, production of oil or gas from the leased premises, after once obtained, should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within sixty (60) days after such cessation, and this lease shall remain in full force and effect for so long as such operations continue in good faith and in workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days. If such drilling or reworking operations result in the production of oil or gas, the lease shall remain in full force and effect for so long as oil or gas is produced from the leased premises in paying quantities or payment of shut-in oil or gas well royalties or payment of compensatory royalties is made as provided herein or as provided by law. If the drilling or reworking operations result in the completion of a well as a dry hole, the lease will not terminate if the Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within sixty (60) days after the completion of the well as a dry hole, and this lease shall remain in effect so long as Lessee continues drilling or reworking operations in good faith and in a workmanlike manner without interruptions totaling more than sixty (60) days. Lessee shall give written notice to the General Land Office within thirty (30) days of any cessation of production.

14. SHUT-IN ROYALTIES. For purposes of this paragraph, "well" means any well that has been assigned a well number by the state agency having jurisdiction over the production of oil and gas. If, at any time after the expiration of the primary term of a lease that, until being shut in, was being maintained in force and effect, a well capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities is located on the leased premises, but oil or gas is not being produced for lack of suitable production facilities or lack of a suitable market, then Lessee may pay as a shut-in oil or gas royalty an amount equal to double the annual rental provided in the lease, but not less than \$1,200 a year for each well capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities. If Paragraph 3 of this lease does not specify a delay rental amount, then for the purposes of this paragraph, the delay rental amount shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per acre. To be effective, each initial shut-in oil or gas royalty must be paid on or before: (1) the expiration of the primary term, (2) 60 days after the Lessee ceases to produce oil or gas from the leased premises, or (3) 60 days after Lessee completes a drilling or reworking operation in accordance with the lease provisions; whichever date is latest. Such payment shall be made one-half (1/2) to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and one-half (1/2) to the owner of the soil. If the shut-in oil or gas royalty is paid, the lease shall be considered to be a producing lease and the payment shall extend the term of the lease for a period of one year from the end of the primary term, or from the first day of the month following the month in which production ceased, and, after that, if no suitable production facilities or suitable market for the oil or gas exists, Lessee may extend the lease for four more successive periods of one (1) year by paying the same amount each year on or before the expiration of each shut-in year.

15. COMPENSATORY ROYALTIES. If, during the period the lease is kept in effect by payment of the shut-in oil or gas royalty, oil or gas is sold and delivered in paying quantities from a well located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises and completed in the same producing reservoir, or in any case in which drainage is occurring, the right to continue to maintain the lease by paying the shut-in oil or gas royalty shall cease, but the lease shall remain effective for the remainder of the year for which the royalty has been paid. The Lessee may maintain the lease for four more successive years by Lessee paying compensatory royalty at the royalty rate provided in the lease of the market value of production from the well causing the drainage or which is completed in the same producing reservoir and within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises. The compensatory royalty is to be paid monthly, one-half (1/2) to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and one-half (1/2) to the owner of the soil, beginning on or before the last day of the month following the month in which the oil or gas is produced from the well causing the drainage or that is completed in the same producing reservoir and located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the leased premises. If the compensatory royalty paid in any 12-month period is an amount less than the annual shut-in oil or gas royalty, Lessee shall pay an amount equal to the difference within thirty (30) days from the end of the 12-month period. Compensatory royalty payments which are not timely paid will accrue penalty and interest in accordance with Paragraph 9 of this lease. None of these provisions will relieve Lessee of the obligation of reasonable development nor the obligation to drill offset wells as provided in Texas Natural Resources Code 52.173; however, at the determination of the Commissioner, and with the Commissioner's written approval, the payment of compensatory royalties can satisfy the obligation to drill offset wells.

16. RETAINED ACREAGE. Notwithstanding any provision of this lease to the contrary, after a well producing or capable of producing oil or gas has been completed on the leased premises, Lessee shall exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent operator in drilling such additional well or wells as may be reasonably necessary for the proper development of the leased premises and in marketing the production thereon.

(A) VERTICAL. In the event this lease is in force and effect two (2) years after the expiration date of the primary or extended term it shall then terminate as to all of the leased premises, EXCEPT (1) 40 acres surrounding each oil well capable of producing in paying quantities and 320 acres surrounding each gas well capable of producing in paying quantities (including a shut-in oil or gas well as provided in Paragraph 14 hereof), or a well upon which Lessee is then engaged in continuous drilling or reworking operations, or (2) the number of acres included in a producing pooled unit pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code 52.151-52.154, or (3) such greater or lesser number of acres as may then be allocated for production purposes to a proration unit for each such producing well under the rules and regulations of the Railroad Commission of Texas, or any successor agency, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction. If at any time after the effective date of the partial termination provisions hereof, the applicable field rules are changed or the well or wells located thereon are reclassified so that less acreage is thereafter allocated to said well or wells for production purposes, this lease shall thereupon terminate as to all acreage not thereafter allocated to said well or wells for production purposes. Notwithstanding the termination of this lease as to a portion of the lands covered hereby, Lessee shall nevertheless continue to have the right of ingress



to and egress from the lands still subject to this lease for all purposes described in Paragraph 1 hereof, together with easements and rights-of-way for existing roads, existing pipelines and other existing facilities on, over and across all the lands described in Paragraph 1 hereof ("the retained lands"), for access to and from the retained lands and for the gathering or transportation of oil, gas and other minerals produced from the retained lands.

(B) HORIZONTAL. In the event this lease is in force and effect two (2) years after the expiration date of the primary or extended term it shall further terminate as to all depths below 100 feet below the total depth drilled (hereinafter "deeper depths") in each well located on acreage retained in Paragraph 16 (A) above, unless on or before two (2) years after the primary or extended term Lessee pays an amount equal to one-half (1/2) of the bonus originally paid as consideration for this lease (as specified on page 1 hereof). If such amount is paid, this lease shall be in force and effect as to such deeper depths, and said termination shall be delayed for an additional period of two (2) years and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities from such deeper depths covered by this lease.

(C) IDENTIFICATION AND FILING. The surface acreage retained hereunder as to each well shall, as nearly as practical, be in the form of a square with the well located in the center thereof, or such other shape as may be approved by the Commissioner of the General Land Office. Within thirty (30) days after partial termination of this lease as provided herein, Lessee shall execute and record a release or releases containing a satisfactory legal description of the acreage and/or depths not retained hereunder. The recorded release, or a certified copy of same, shall be filed in the General Land Office, accompanied by the filing fee prescribed by the General Land Office rules in effect on the date the release is filed. If Lessee fails or refuses to execute and record such release or releases within ninety (90) days after being requested to do so by the General Land Office, then the Commissioner at his sole discretion may designate by written instrument the acreage and/or depths to be released hereunder and record such instrument at Lessee's expense in the county or counties where the lease is located and in the official records of the General Land Office and such designation shall be binding upon Lessee for all purposes.

17. OFFSET WELLS. Neither the bonus, delay rentals, nor royalties paid, or to be paid, under this lease shall relieve Lessee of his obligation to protect the oil and gas under the above-described land from being drained. Lessee, sublessee, receiver or other agent in control of the leased premises shall drill as many wells as the facts may justify and shall use appropriate means and drill to a depth necessary to prevent undue drainage of oil and gas from the leased premises. In addition, if oil and/or gas should be produced in commercial quantities within 1,000 feet of the leased premises, or in any case where the leased premises is being drained by production of oil or gas, the Lessee, sublessee, receiver or other agent in control of the leased premises shall in good faith begin the drilling of a well or wells upon the leased premises within 100 days after the draining well or wells or the well or wells completed within 1,000 feet of the leased premises start producing in commercial quantities and shall prosecute such drilling with diligence. Failure to satisfy the statutory offset obligation may subject this lease and the owner of the soil's agency rights to forfeiture. Only upon the determination of the Commissioner of the General Land Office and with his written approval may the payment of compensatory royalty under applicable statutory parameters satisfy the obligation to drill an offset well or wells required under this paragraph.

18. FORCE MAJEURE. If, after a good faith effort, Lessee is prevented from complying with any express or implied covenant of this lease, from conducting drilling operations on the leased premises, or from producing oil or gas from the leased premises by reason of war, rebellion, riots, strikes, acts of God, or any valid order, rule or regulation of government authority, then while so prevented, Lessee's obligation to comply with such covenant shall be suspended and Lessee shall not be liable for damages for failure to comply with such covenants; additionally, this lease shall be extended while Lessee is prevented, by any such cause, from conducting drilling and reworking operations or from producing oil or gas from the leased premises. However, nothing in this paragraph shall suspend the payment of delay rentals in order to maintain this lease in effect during the primary term in the absence of such drilling or reworking operations or production of oil or gas.

19. WARRANTY CLAUSE. The owner of the soil warrants and agrees to defend title to the leased premises. If the owner of the soil defaults in payments owed on the leased premises, then Lessee may redeem the rights of the owner of the soil in the leased premises by paying any mortgage, taxes or other liens on the leased premises. If Lessee makes payments on behalf of the owner of the soil under this paragraph, Lessee may recover the cost of these payments from the rental and royalties due the owner of the soil.

20. (A) PROPORTIONATE REDUCTION CLAUSE. If the owner of the soil owns less than the entire undivided surface estate in the above described land, whether or not Lessee's interest is specified herein, then the royalties and rental herein provided to be paid to the owner of the soil shall be paid to him in the proportion which his interest bears to the entire undivided surface estate and the royalties and rental herein provided to be paid to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas shall be likewise proportionately reduced. However, before Lessee adjusts the royalty or rental due to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Lessee or his authorized representative must submit to the Commissioner of the General Land Office a written statement which explains the discrepancy between the interest purportedly leased under this lease and the actual interest owned by the owner of the soil. The Commissioner of the General Land Office shall be paid the value of the whole production allocable to any undivided interest not covered by a lease, less the proportionate development and production cost allocable to such undivided interest. However, in no event shall the Commissioner of the General Land Office receive as a royalty on the gross production allocable to the undivided interest not leased an amount less than the value of one-sixteenth (1/16) of such gross production.

(B) REDUCTION OF PAYMENTS. If, during the primary term, a portion of the land covered by this lease is included within the boundaries of a pooled unit that has been approved by the School Land Board and the owner of the soil in accordance with Natural Resources Code Sections 52.151-52.154, or if, at any time after the expiration of the primary term or the extended term, this lease covers a lesser number of acres than the total amount described herein, payments that are made on a per acre basis hereunder shall be reduced according to the number of acres pooled, released, surrendered, or otherwise severed, so that payments determined on a per acre basis under the terms of this lease during the primary term shall be calculated based upon the number of acres outside the boundaries of a pooled unit, or, if after the expiration of the primary term, the number of acres actually retained and covered by this lease.

21. USE OF WATER. Lessee shall have the right to use water produced on said land necessary for operations under this lease except water from wells or tanks of the owner of the soil; provided, however, Lessee shall not use potable water or water suitable for livestock or irrigation purposes for waterflood operations without the prior consent of the owner of the soil.

22. AUTHORIZED DAMAGES. Lessee shall pay the owner of the soil for damages caused by its operations to all personal property, improvements, livestock and crops on said land.

23. PIPELINE DEPTH. When requested by the owner of the soil, Lessee shall bury its pipelines below plow depth.

24. WELL LOCATION LIMIT. No well shall be drilled nearer than two hundred (200) feet to any house or barn now on said premises without the written consent of the owner of the soil.

25. POLLUTION. In developing this area, Lessee shall use the highest degree of care and all proper safeguards to prevent pollution. Without limiting the foregoing, pollution of coastal wetlands, natural waterways, rivers and impounded water shall be prevented by the use of containment facilities sufficient to prevent spillage, seepage or ground water contamination. In the event of pollution, Lessee shall use all means at its disposal to recapture all escaped hydrocarbons or other pollutant and shall be responsible for all damage to public and private properties. Lessee shall build and maintain fences around its slush, sump, and drainage pits and tank batteries so as to protect livestock against loss, damage or injury; and upon completion or abandonment of any well or wells, Lessee shall fill and level all slush pits and cellars and completely clean up the drilling site of all rubbish thereon. Lessee shall, while conducting operations on the leased premises, keep said premises free of all rubbish, cans, bottles, paper cups or garbage, and upon completion of operations shall restore the surface of the land to as near its original condition and contours as is practicable. Tanks and equipment will be kept painted and presentable.

26. REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT. Subject to limitations in this paragraph, Lessee shall have the right to remove machinery and fixtures placed by Lessee on the leased premises, including the right to draw and remove casing, within one hundred twenty (120) days after the expiration or the termination of this lease unless the owner of the soil grants Lessee an extension of this 120-day period. However, Lessee may not remove casing from any well capable of producing oil and gas in paying quantities. Additionally, Lessee may not draw and remove casing until after thirty (30) days written notice to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and to the owner of the soil. The owner of the soil shall become the owner of any machinery, fixtures, or casing which are not timely removed by Lessee under the terms of this paragraph.

27. (A) ASSIGNMENTS. Under the conditions contained in this paragraph and Paragraph 29 of this lease, the rights and estates of either party to this lease may be assigned, in whole or in part, and the provisions of this lease shall extend to and be binding upon their heirs, devisees, legal representatives, successors and assigns. However, a change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties will not enlarge the obligations of Lessee, diminish the rights, privileges and estates of Lessee, impair the effectiveness of any payment made by Lessee or impair the effectiveness of any



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act performed by Lessee. And no change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties shall bind Lessee for any purpose until thirty (30) days after the owner of the soil (or his heirs, devisees, legal representatives or assigns) furnishes the Lessee with satisfactory written evidence of the change in ownership, including the original recorded muniments of title (or a certified copy of such original) when the ownership changed because of a conveyance. A total or partial assignment of this lease shall, to the extent of the interest assigned, relieve and discharge Lessee of all subsequent obligations under this lease. If this lease is assigned in its entirety as to only part of the acreage, the right and option to pay rentals shall be apportioned as between the several owners ratably, according to the area of each, and failure by one or more of them to pay his share of the rental shall not affect this lease on the part of the land upon which pro rata rentals are timely paid or tendered; however, if the assignor or assignee does not file a certified copy of such assignment in the General Land Office before the next rental paying date, the entire lease shall terminate for failure to pay the entire rental due under Paragraph 3. Every assignee shall succeed to all rights and be subject to all obligations, liabilities, and penalties owed to the State by the original lessee or any prior assignee of the lease, including any liabilities to the State for unpaid royalties.

(B) ASSIGNMENT LIMITATION. Notwithstanding any provision in Paragraph 27(a), if the owner of the soil acquires this lease in whole or in part by assignment without the prior written approval of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, this lease is void as of the time of assignment and the agency power of the owner may be forfeited by the Commissioner. An assignment will be treated as if it were made to the owner of the soil if the assignee is:

- (1) a nominee of the owner of the soil;
- (2) a corporation or subsidiary in which the owner of the soil is a principal stockholder or is an employee of such a corporation or subsidiary;
- (3) a partnership in which the owner of the soil is a partner or is an employee of such a partnership;
- (4) a principal stockholder or employee of the corporation which is the owner of the soil;
- (5) a partner or employee in a partnership which is the owner of the soil;
- (6) a fiduciary for the owner of the soil; including but not limited to a guardian, trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, or conservator for the owner of the soil; or
- (7) a family member of the owner of the soil or related to the owner of the soil by marriage, blood, or adoption.

28. RELEASES. Under the conditions contained in this paragraph and Paragraph 29, Lessee may at any time execute and deliver to the owner of the soil and place of record a release or releases covering any portion or portions of the leased premises, and thereby surrender this lease as to such portion or portions, and be relieved of all subsequent obligations as to acreage surrendered. If any part of this lease is properly surrendered, the delay rental due under this lease shall be reduced by the proportion that the surrendered acreage bears to the acreage which was covered by this lease immediately prior to such surrender; however, such release will not relieve Lessee of any liabilities which may have accrued under this lease prior to the surrender of such acreage.

29. FILING OF ASSIGNMENTS AND RELEASES. If all or any part of this lease is assigned or released, such assignment or release must be recorded in the county where the land is situated, and the recorded instrument, or a copy of the recorded instrument certified by the County Clerk of the county in which the instrument is recorded, must be filed in the General Land Office within 90 days of the last execution date accompanied by the prescribed filing fee. If any such assignment is not so filed, the rights acquired under this lease shall be subject to forfeiture at the option of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

30. DISCLOSURE CLAUSE. All provisions pertaining to the lease of the above-described land have been included in this instrument, including the statement of the true consideration to be paid for the execution of this lease and the rights and duties of the parties. Any collateral agreements concerning the development of oil and gas from the leased premises which are not contained in this lease render this lease invalid.

31. FIDUCIARY DUTY. The owner of the soil owes the State a fiduciary duty and must fully disclose any facts affecting the State's interest in the leased premises. When the interests of the owner of the soil conflict with those of the State, the owner of the soil is obligated to put the State's interests before his personal interests.

32. FORFEITURE. If Lessee shall fail or refuse to make the payment of any sum within thirty days after it becomes due, or if Lessee or an authorized agent should knowingly make any false return or false report concerning production or drilling, or if Lessee shall fail or refuse to drill any offset well or wells in good faith as required by law and the rules and regulations adopted by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, or if Lessee should fail to file reports in the manner required by law or fail to comply with rules and regulations promulgated by the General Land Office, the School Land Board, or the Railroad Commission, or if Lessee should refuse the proper authority access to the records pertaining to operations, or if Lessee or an authorized agent should knowingly fail or refuse to give correct information to the proper authority, or knowingly fail or refuse to furnish the General Land Office a correct log of any well, or if Lessee shall knowingly violate any of the material provisions of this lease, or if this lease is assigned and the assignment is not filed in the General Land Office as required by law, the rights acquired under this lease shall be subject to forfeiture by the Commissioner, and he shall forfeit same when sufficiently informed of the facts which authorize a forfeiture, and when forfeited the area shall again be subject to lease under the terms of the Relinquishment Act. However, nothing herein shall be construed as waiving the automatic termination of this lease by operation of law or by reason of any special limitation arising hereunder. Forfeitures may be set aside and this lease and all rights thereunder reinstated before the rights of another intervene upon satisfactory evidence to the Commissioner of the General Land Office of future compliance with the provisions of the law and of this lease and the rules and regulations that may be adopted relative hereto.

33. LIEN. In accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code 52.136, the State shall have a first lien upon all oil and gas produced from the area covered by this lease to secure payment of all unpaid royalty and other sums of money that may become due under this lease. By acceptance of this lease, Lessee grants the State, in addition to the lien provided by Texas Natural Resources Code 52.136 and any other applicable statutory lien, an express contractual lien on and security interest in all leased minerals in and extracted from the leased premises, all proceeds which may accrue to Lessee from the sale of such leased minerals, whether such proceeds are held by Lessee or by a third party, and all fixtures on and improvements to the leased premises used in connection with the production or processing of such leased minerals in order to secure the payment of all royalties or other amounts due or to become due under this lease and to secure payment of any damages or loss that Lessor may suffer by reason of Lessee's breach of any covenant or condition of this lease, whether express or implied. This lien and security interest may be foreclosed with or without court proceedings in the manner provided in the Title 1, Chap. 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code. Lessee agrees that the Commissioner may require Lessee to execute and record such instruments as may be reasonably necessary to acknowledge, attach or perfect this lien. Lessee hereby represents that there are no prior or superior liens arising from and relating to Lessee's activities upon the above-described property or from Lessee's acquisition of this lease. Should the Commissioner at any time determine that this representation is not true, then the Commissioner may declare this lease forfeited as provided herein.

34. POOLING. Lessee is hereby granted the right to pool or unitize the royalty interest of the owner of the soil under this lease with any other leasehold or mineral interest for the exploration, development and production of oil or gas or either of them upon the same terms as shall be approved by the School Land Board and the Commissioner of the General Land Office for the pooling or unitizing of the interest of the State under this lease pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code 52.151-52.154. The owner of the soil agrees that the inclusion of this provision in this lease satisfies the execution requirements stated in Texas Natural Resources Code 52.152.

35. INDEMNITY. Lessee hereby releases and discharges the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees, partners, agents, contractors, subcontractors, guests, invitees, and their respective successors and assigns, of and from all and any actions and causes of action of every nature, or other harm, including environmental harm, for which recovery of damages is sought, including, but not limited to, all losses and expenses which are caused by the activities of Lessee, its officers, employees, and agents arising out of, incidental to, or resulting from, the operations of or for Lessee on the leased premises hereunder, or that may arise out of or be occasioned by Lessee's breach of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement, or by any other negligent or strictly liable act or omission of Lessee. Further, Lessee hereby agrees to be liable for, exonerate, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees and agents, their successors or assigns, against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, actions, personal injury (including death), costs and expenses, or other harm for which recovery of damages is sought, under any theory including tort, contract, or strict liability, including attorneys' fees and other legal expenses, including those related to environmental hazards, on the leased premises or in any way related to Lessee's failure to comply with any and all environmental laws; those arising from or in any way related to Lessee's operations or any other of Lessee's activities on the leased premises; those arising from Lessee's use of the surface of the leased premises; and those that may arise out of or be occasioned by Lessee's breach of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement or any other act or omission of Lessee, its directors, officers, employees, partners, agents, contractors, subcontractors, guests, invitees, and their respective successors and assigns. Each assignee of this Agreement, or an interest therein, agrees to be liable for, exonerate, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and the owner of the soil, their officers, employees, and agents in the same manner provided above in connection with the activities of Lessee, its officers, employees, and agents as described above. **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE EXPRESSLY LIMITED HEREIN, ALL OF THE INDEMNITY OBLIGATIONS AND/OR LIABILITIES ASSUMED UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE WITHOUT LIMITS AND WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CAUSE OR CAUSES THEREOF (EXCLUDING PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS), STRICT LIABILITY, OR THE**



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NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PARTY OR PARTIES (INCLUDING THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY), WHETHER SUCH NEGLIGENCE BE SOLE, JOINT, CONCURRENT, ACTIVE, OR PASSIVE.

36. **ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS.** Lessee shall use the highest degree of care and all reasonable safeguards to prevent contamination or pollution of any environmental medium, including soil, surface waters, groundwater, sediments, and surface or subsurface strata, ambient air or any other environmental medium in, on, or under, the leased premises, by any waste, pollutant, or contaminant. Lessee shall not bring or permit to remain on the leased premises any asbestos containing materials, explosives, toxic materials, or substances regulated as hazardous wastes, hazardous materials, hazardous substances (as the term "Hazardous Substance" is defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601, et seq.), or toxic substances under any federal, state, or local law or regulation ("Hazardous Materials"), except ordinary products commonly used in connection with oil and gas exploration and development operations and stored in the usual manner and quantities. **LESSEE'S VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING PROHIBITION SHALL CONSTITUTE A MATERIAL BREACH AND DEFAULT HEREUNDER AND LESSEE SHALL INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFEND THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE OWNER OF THE SOIL FROM AND AGAINST ANY CLAIMS, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES, LIABILITIES, AND COSTS (INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COURT COSTS) CAUSED BY OR ARISING OUT OF (1) A VIOLATION OF THE FOREGOING PROHIBITION OR (2) THE PRESENCE, RELEASE, OR DISPOSAL OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ON, UNDER, OR ABOUT THE LEASED PREMISES DURING LESSEE'S OCCUPANCY OR CONTROL OF THE LEASED PREMISES. LESSEE SHALL CLEAN UP, REMOVE, REMEDY AND REPAIR ANY SOIL OR GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION AND DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE PRESENCE OR RELEASE OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IN, ON, UNDER, OR ABOUT THE LEASED PREMISES DURING LESSEE'S OCCUPANCY OF THE LEASED PREMISES IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF APPLICABLE LAW. THIS INDEMNIFICATION AND ASSUMPTION SHALL APPLY, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, LIABILITY FOR RESPONSE ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN PURSUANT TO CERCLA OR ANY OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL LAW OR REGULATION. LESSEE SHALL IMMEDIATELY GIVE THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE OWNER OF THE SOIL WRITTEN NOTICE OF ANY BREACH OR SUSPECTED BREACH OF THIS PARAGRAPH, UPON LEARNING OF THE PRESENCE OF ANY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, OR UPON RECEIVING A NOTICE FROM ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY PERTAINING TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WHICH MAY AFFECT THE LEASED PREMISES. THE OBLIGATIONS OF LESSEE HEREUNDER SHALL SURVIVE THE EXPIRATION OR EARLIER TERMINATION, FOR ANY REASON, OF THIS AGREEMENT.**

37. **APPLICABLE LAW.** This lease is issued under the provisions of Texas Natural Resources Code 52.171 through 52.190, commonly known as the Relinquishment Act, and other applicable statutes and amendments thereto, and if any provision in this lease does not conform to these statutes, the statutes will prevail over any nonconforming lease provisions.

38. **EXECUTION.** This oil and gas lease must be signed and acknowledged by the Lessee before it is filed of record in the county records and in the General Land Office of the State of Texas. Once the filing requirements found in Paragraph 39 of this lease have been satisfied, the effective date of this lease shall be the date found on Page 1.

39. **LEASE FILING.** Pursuant to Chapter 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code, this lease must be filed of record in the office of the County Clerk in any county in which all or any part of the leased premises is located, and certified copies thereof must be filed in the General Land Office. This lease is not effective until a certified copy of this lease (which is made and certified by the County Clerk from his records) is filed in the General Land Office in accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code 52.183. Additionally, this lease shall not be binding upon the State unless it recites the actual and true consideration paid or promised for execution of this lease. The bonus due the State and the prescribed filing fee shall accompany such certified copy to the General Land Office.

ADDENDUM PROVISION - #40 and 41

40. **DELAY RENTALS.** As stipulated in Paragraph #3 of this lease, the rentals for this lease have been PAID-UP for the second (2nd) and third (3rd) years of the primary term hereof. Lessee or its assigns shall have the right to keep this lease in force and effect for the fourth (4th) and fifth (5th) years of the primary term provided for herein by tendering a payment of two thousand two hundred dollars (\$2,200.00) per net acre prior to April 28, 2014, as to any acreage covered hereby and not otherwise being maintained by any other provision herein at such time.

41. If, at the expiration of the primary term, this lease is being maintained in force under any provision of the lease, or within 180 days prior to the expiration of the primary term Lessee has completed a well as a dry hole or commenced a well on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith, or Lessee is then engaged in operations on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith, Lessee agrees to begin a continuous drilling program within 180 days after the end of the primary term or within 180 days after completion of such well or the cessation of such operations, whichever is the later date; and thereafter to carry on the continuous drilling program on the leased premises or lands pooled therewith until all proration units have been drilled, allowing not more than 180 days to elapse between the completion of one well and the commencement of the succeeding well. Should Lessee fail to begin the continuous drilling program or subsequently default in the performance thereof, then in either event, this lease shall terminate as to all lands covered hereby, save and except for the proration unit surrounding each well then producing, capable of producing or upon which operations are being conducted, limited, respectively, to those depths from the surface down to the stratigraphic equivalent of the depth 100 feet below the base of the deepest penetrated formation. As used in this paragraph: i) the term "commission" means the Railroad Commission of the State of Texas or any successor agency, ii) the term "proration unit" means any acreage designated as a drilling unit or production unit in accordance with the rules of the commission (or any other governmental authority having jurisdiction) or any unit formed by pooling as provided in this lease or otherwise, iii) the terms "commenced" and "commencement" mean the date when a well is spudded, and iv) the terms "completed" and "completion" mean the date the initial potential test report is filed with the commission, if a productive well, or the date the plugging report is filed with the commission, if a dry hole, in either event no later than 60 days after the drilling rig has been released. Notwithstanding the partial termination of this lease, Lessee shall continue to have the rights of ingress and egress across all of the leased premises to and from lands that remain subject to this lease, or lands pooled therewith, for the purposes described in paragraph 1 hereof, together with easements and rights of way for roads, pipelines, flowlines and other facilities on or across all of the leased premises for the exploration, development, production, gathering or transportation of oil, gas and other products from the lands still subject to this lease or lands pooled therewith. The sole liability or penalty for the failure of Lessee to drill any well or wells required or permitted by this lease shall be the termination or partial termination of Lessee's rights under the lease as provided above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date first above written.

STATE OF TEXAS

Edward Standley

BY: EDWARD STANDLEY
As Trust Officer for the Charles R. Meeker Trust
and as agent for the State of Texas

Date: 5/12/2011

LESSEE: PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP

By: P-H Energy LLC, Its General Partner

[Signature]

BY: D.R. Deffenbaugh

Title: Vice President - Land

Date: 5-18-11



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STATE OF OKLAHOMA
COUNTY OF TULSA

(CORPORATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared D.R. Deffenbaugh
known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instruments as Vice President - Mid-Continent Land
of P-H Energy, LLC, general partner of Petrohawk Properties, LP, a Texas limited partnership and acknowledged to me that he
executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity stated, and as the act and deed of said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 18th day of May, 20 11.



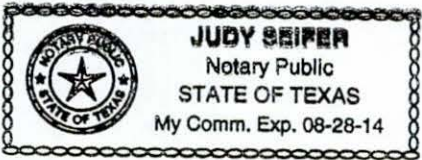
Rita Kay Walker
Notary Public in and for Oklahoma

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TARRANT

(CORPORATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Edward Standley
known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instruments as Trust Officer Vice President
of Bank of America, N.A. Trustee of the Charles R. Meeker Trust U/A dtd July 6, 1992, but amended and restated on June 5, 1998 and acknowledged
to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity stated, and as the act and deed of said
corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 12 day of May, 20 11.



Judy Seifer
Notary Public in and for Texas



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EXHIBIT "A"

Attached to and made a part of that certain Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease dated April 28, 2011, entered into by and between BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. TRUSTEE OF THE CHARLES R. MEEKER TRUST U/A DTD JULY 6, 1992, BUT AMENDED AND RESTATED ON JUNE 5, 1998, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY EDWARD STANDLEY, TRUST OFFICER, as Lessor, and PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP, as Lessee.

SURFACE AMENDMENTS

1. Upon the cessation of drilling at each well location, the abandonment of said lease or surrender thereof, Lessee, its successors or assigns, shall then level all drilling pits and other excavations and shall repair all damage done, or cause to be done, to buildings, fences, roads, culverts, turf, water wells and/or other improvements and to restore same to their original condition, as nearly as practicable, within 180 days after the cessation of activity. No drilling mud shall be spread on surface lands of Lessor without express written consent of Lessor.
2. Lessee's right to use water from the leased premises shall not include the right to use fresh water from any fresh water sands or strata underlying the leased premises for any secondary recovery operations that may be conducted on the leased premises. Lessee shall have the right to use fresh water from existing wells or surface impoundments only with the expressed permission of the Lessor.
3. All operations of Lessee shall be conducted so as to minimize the amount of surface land used or damaged by Lessee and Lessee agrees to construct not more than one road to each location on the leased premises, or lands pooled therewith, and to confine all travel incident to the drilling and production of such well to the single road. All roads constructed by Lessee shall be of good quality and suitable for all-weather use. The routes for all roads shall be mutually agreed upon between Lessor and Lessee before the commencement of any road construction and any such consent or agreement by Lessor shall not be unreasonably withheld. Lessee agrees to maintain all roads used by Lessee on the leased premises in good condition and repair during the period of Lessee's operations on the lease premises. The surface owner shall have the right to use all roads on the leased premises.
4. It is understood and agreed that this lease does not cover or include any right or privilege of hunting with firearms and/or with dogs or otherwise on the leased premises or fishing on the leased premises; all such hunting and fishing rights being expressly reserved, and Lessee agrees that none of the Lessee's officers, agents, employees or representatives will bring any dogs and/or firearms upon the leased premises, and that any one so doing shall be trespassers and subject to prosecution as such.
5. Prior to erecting new storage tanks, pipelines compressor stations or other usual facilities required by Lessee for producing oil and gas and operating this lease, Lessee shall advise of Lessor of Lessee's intention. Lessor and Lessee will then mutually select a site or sites for locating such equipment and pipelines taking into consideration the ranching and farming operation of Lessor and Lessee's needs in conducting its operations under the terms of this lease in a reasonable manner, and any such consent or agreement by Lessor shall not be unreasonably withheld.
6. Lessee, prior to the altering and removal of any existing fence on the leased premises, or the cutting or removal of any tree on the leased premises, shall notify Lessor of such intention. If Lessee deems it necessary to cut Lessor's fence, then Lessee agrees to construct proper and sufficient braces at any point where fences are to be cut. Lessee shall dispose of all brush, trees, trash and debris away from the property. Under no circumstances will trash, garbage or debris be buried or dumped on the property or adjacent lands of Lessor. Brush and trees may be buried or burned on the property only with written permission from owner or his representative.
7. Lessee agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless Lessor, the owners of the surface of the Leased Premises, and their respective agents, employees and tenants, from and against all liabilities, losses, expenses, claims, demands, and causes of action of every kind and character, whether for death or personal injury to persons (including agents and employees of Lessee and Lessee's subcontractors) for loss or damage to property, in any way and at any time arising out of, incident to, or in connection with this Lease, operations conducted on the Leased Premises, or breach of the terms hereof, regardless of whether any such liability, loss, expenses, claim, demand or cause of action is based on the sole or concurrent negligence of any party indemnified hereunder. No party indemnified hereunder shall make a claim for a cause of action if the cause is based upon such party's sole or concurrent negligence.
8. Each drill site location shall be constructed so as to result in the least interference with surface usage as reasonably practicable under the circumstances. All pits shall be constructed and lined so as not to pollute the adjoining land at the request of Lessor. Lessee shall take all reasonable precautions necessary to prevent land, air and water pollution, including pollution to all underground fresh water zones. Lessee shall collect all trash which accumulates in connection with his operations and remove such trash from the Leased Premises. Lessee shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent blowouts from occurring on the Leased Premises. Lessee shall utilize only such area around each producing well as is reasonably necessary for such purposes, and Lessee shall restore the remainder of such drill site to its original condition as nearly as possible within a reasonable time after the completion of operations on each drill site where no producing well is located, Lessee shall clear the location, remove all equipment placed upon the drill site by the Lessee, clean out and back fill all pits, and return the surface of the drill site to its original condition as nearly as possible. Lessee shall construct and maintain gates at all places where any roads used by Lessee cross through fences on the Leased Premises, and Lessee shall keep such gates locked when not actually passing through such gates. Upon termination of Lessee's operations on the Leased Premises, Lessee shall restore the surface of all lands utilized by Lessee, and not theretofore restored, to their original condition as nearly as possible. Within six (6) months after the termination of this lease, Lessee shall remove any and all property placed by Lessee on the Leased Premises or Lessor shall cause same to be removed at Lessee's expense.
9. Lessee is to comply with all Federal and State regulations.



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10. Lessee shall pay market value, on the day of the event, for any and all livestock lost as a result of Lessee's operations under this lease.
11. All pipelines are to be buried 36 inches below the ground, which will be from the top of the pipe to the surface of the ground. Only products produced from a well or wells drilled on the leased premises, or lands pooled therewith, will be allowed to be transported through any pipelines located on the property.
12. Lessee shall not conduct any operations within one-quarter (1/4) mile of any homestead, living quarters or livestock watering facilities without express consent of Lessor, such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEVES
I, Diana O. Brown, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears from the records of said County Court.
Witness my hand and official seal at Pecos, Texas, this 11th day of November, 2011.
Diana O. Brown, County Clerk
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS



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File No. 112096

Adkins K. W. Lease

Date Filed: 6/16/11

Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner

By G.H.



THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEVES

I, Dianne O. Flores, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of

018725 Lease, dated April 28, 2011, filed for record in my office this 27th day of May, 2011 at

8:41 M., under Clerk's File No. 2481, to be recorded in the Official Public Records Records of Reeves County, Texas.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Pecos, Texas this 27th day of May, 2011.

Dianne O. Flores
By Dianne O. Flores, Deputy
DIANNE O. FLOREZ, COUNTY CLERK
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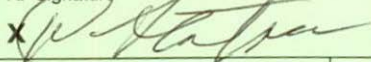
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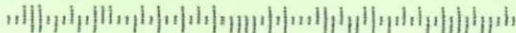
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JERRY PATTERSON, COMMISSIONER

January 27, 2014

Brenda Guzman
BHP Billiton
P.O. Box 22719
Houston, TX 77227

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RE: **State Lease MF112096 – Termination**

RAL Leases dated January 11, 2011, Primary Term: 5 years / 1,920.00 acres
All of Section 43, A-4005 & A-4204, All of Section 44, A-4006 and all of Section 45, A-4007, Block 59, PSL Survey, Lease A: recorded in Clerk File #1879, Lease B, recorded in Clerk File #2927, Lease C, recorded in Clerk File #5567, Reeves County, Texas.

Dear Ms. Guzman,

Our records indicate that the referenced Leases A, B and C", have terminated for failure to pay the fourth year delay rentals due on or before January 11, 2014. Lease D, recorded in Clerk File #3481 has fourth year rental due April 28, 2014.

Pursuant to the Texas Administrative Code, we request that you file with this office a recorded original or certified copy of a Release of this State Oil and Gas Lease along with a processing fee of \$25.00 to be sent to my attention.

In accordance with the provisions of the TAC, if you disagree with this assessment please provide evidence to this office at the address shown below within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. Failure to reply or failure to present sufficient evidence of the continuation of the lease will result in the mineral file being endorsed as "terminated". You will receive no further communication from this office prior to endorsement.

Sincerely yours,

Susan Draughn, Landman
Mineral Leasing, Energy Resources
512-463-6521 (direct)
512-475-1543 (fax)
susan.draughn@glo.state.tx.us

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File No. MF112090
Termination letter - Leases A, B & C
4th yr. rental not paid
Date Filed: 1/27/14
Jerry E. Patterson, Commissioner
By SSD

MF 112096 A

Prepared by and after recording please return to:
BHP BILLITON PETROLEUM
1360 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 150
Houston, TX 77056-3030
Attn: Griffin McDonald

RELEASE OF OIL AND GAS LEASE

STATE OF TEXAS

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF REEVES

WHEREAS, the State of Texas, acting by and through its agent, L.H. Meeker and Julian Wade Meeker as Trustees for the Lifetime benefit of L.H. Meeker under the Will of J.R. Meeker, whose address is 106 West 8th Street, Suite 410, Fort Worth, TX 76102, herein called ("Lessor"), and Petrohawk Properties LP, "Lessee", made and entered into that certain Oil and Gas Lease dated effective January 11, 2011, under MF#112096A, covering and affecting 1,920 acres, more or less, located in Section 43 of Block 59, A-4005 and A-4204, Section 44 of Block 59, A-4006 and Section 45 of Block 59, A-4007, all PSL Survey, Reeves County, Texas, which lease is recorded in Book 872, Page 796 as Instrument no. 1879 of the Official Public Records of Reeves County, Texas (the "Lease"); and,

WHEREAS, BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP formerly known as PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP, whose current address is 1360 Post Oak Blvd., Suite #150, Houston, Texas, 77056-3030, succeeded to all rights, title and interest of Lessee under the lease;

WHEREAS, the Lease has expired by its own terms and BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP, desires to release the lease of record.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, Lessee does hereby release, relinquish and surrender all right, title and interest in the Lease to Lessor, its successors and assigns.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date of acknowledgment, but is effective as of January 11, 2014.

BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP,
Formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP,
By: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (GP), LLC,
Its General Partner

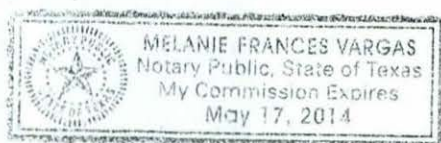
By: *John W. Walsh*
John Walsh
Attorney-In-Fact

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF HARRIS)

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the 29 day of January, 2014, by **JOHN W. WALSH**, as Attorney-in-Fact of **BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP**, formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP, **By: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (GP), LLC**, Its General Partner, a Texas limited liability company, on behalf of said limited partnership.

Witness my hand and official seal:



Melanie Vargas
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Printed Name: Melanie Vargas

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By: *Dianne O. Florez* DEPUTY

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEVES

I, Dianne O. Florez, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of

dated January 16, 2014
filed for record in my office this 5th day of February, 2014 at

2:32 P.M. under Clerk's File No. 14-00955, to be recorded in the

Records of Reeves County, Texas.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Pecos, Texas
this 5th day of February, 2014.

By

Deputy

DIANNE O. FLOREZ, COUNTY CLERK
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLC

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February 7, 2014

Via FedEx

Mr. Drew Reid
Texas General Land Office
1700 Congress Avenue
Stephen F. Austin Building, RM 847
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Releases of Oil and Gas Lease
Reeves County, Texas

Dear Drew:

Enclosed herewith, you will find certified copies of the instruments listed below, covering and affecting 1,920 acres, more or less, located in Section 43, 44 and 45 of Block 59, PSL Survey, Reeves County Texas.

- ☐ Release of Oil and Gas Lease, whereas BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP, formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP, releases, relinquishes and surrenders all right, title and interest in that certain lease filed in Volume 872, Page 796 under Instrument No. 1879 of the Official Public Records of Reeves County, and said lease being **MF-112096A**, to the State of Texas, acting by and through its agent, L.H. Meeker and Julian Wade Meeker, as Trustees for the Lifetime Benefit of L.H. Meeker Under the Will of J.R. Meeker. Said release being filed in the Official Public Records of Reeves County, Texas on February 5, 2014 under Instrument No. 14-00955.
- ☐ Release of Oil and Gas Lease, whereas BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP, formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP, releases, relinquishes and surrenders all right, title and interest in that certain lease filed in Volume 894, Page 818 under Instrument No. 5567 of the Official Public Records of Reeves County, and said lease being **MF-112096C**, to the State of Texas, acting by and through its agent, Meeker Investments, Inc. Said release being filed in the Official Public Records of Reeves County, Texas on February 5, 2014 under Instrument No. 14-00956.

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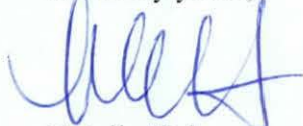
Mr. Drew Reid
February 7, 2014
Page 2 of 2

- ☐ Release of Oil and Gas Lease, whereas BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP, formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP, releases, relinquishes and surrenders all right, title and interest in that certain lease filed in Volume 878, Page 700 under Instrument No. 2927 of the Official Public Records of Reeves County, and said lease being **MF-112096B**, to the State of Texas, acting by and through its agent, Windi Grimes, Sole Trustee of the AWP 1983 Trust. Said release being filed in the Official Public Records of Reeves County, Texas on February 5, 2014 under Instrument No. 14-00957.

Also enclosed, please find a check in the amount of \$75.00. This amount covers the filing fees for the three releases at \$25.00 per release. Please sign and return the copy of the check to me in the enclosed prepaid envelope.

I trust that you will not hesitate to call me with any questions that you may have concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Natalie Holeman
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EXPLORATION LAND SERVICES, LLCP.O. BOX 52105
LAFAYETTE, LA 70505-2105**IBERIABANK**

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF Texas General Land Office

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Texas General Land Office
1700 Congress Avenue
Stephen F. Austin Building RM847
Austin, TX 78701
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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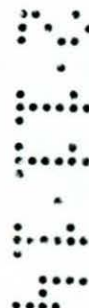
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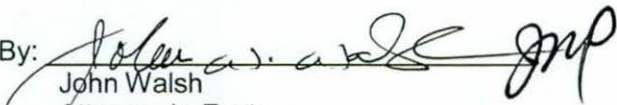
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date of acknowledgment, but is effective as of January 11, 2014.

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Formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP,
By: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (GP), LLC,
Its General Partner

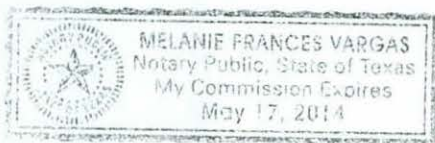
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John Walsh
Attorney-In-Fact

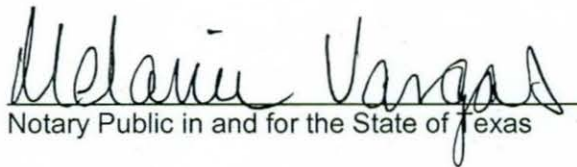
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STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF HARRIS)

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the 29 day of January, 2014, by **JOHN W. WALSH**, as Attorney-in-Fact of **BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP**, formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP, **By: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (GP), LLC**, Its General Partner, a Texas limited liability company, on behalf of said limited partnership.

Witness my hand and official seal:




Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

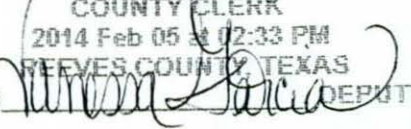
Printed Name: Melanie Vargas

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Original filed in
Reeves County
Clerks Office

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COUNTY CLERK
2014 Feb 05 at 02:33 PM
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

BY: VG  DEPUTY



THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEVES

I, Dianne O. Florez, Clerk of the County Court in and
for said County and State do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of

Release by Dkt. Enshel dated January 11, 2014
filed for record in my office this 25th day of February 2014 at

2:32p M, under Clerk's File No. 14-00000 to be recorded in the

Records of Reeves County, Texas.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Pecos, Texas
this 5th day of February, 2014.

By [Signature]

Deputy

DIANNE O. FLOREZ, COUNTY CLERK
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

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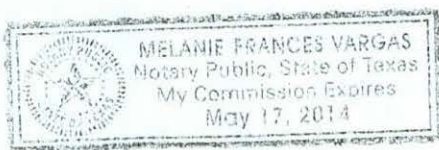
By: *John W. Walsh*
John Walsh
Attorney-In-Fact

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STATE OF TEXAS)
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COUNTY OF HARRIS)

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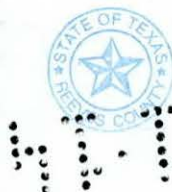
Witness my hand and official seal:



Melanie Vargas
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Printed Name: Melanie Vargas

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File No.

Release

Date Filed:

2-11-14

Jerry Patterson, Commissioner

By

[Signature]

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF REEVES

I, Dianne O. Florez, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of

Release of Oil & Gas Lease dated February 11, 2014
filed for record in my office this 5th day of February 2014 at

139 M, under Clerk's File No. 14-0015, to be recorded in the
Records of Reeves County, Texas.

TO CERTIFY WHICH, Witness my hand and official seal at Pecos, Texas
this 5th day of February, 2014.

By

[Signature]

DIANNE O. FLOREZ, COUNTY CLERK
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

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BHP Billiton
P.O. Box 22719
Houston, TX 77227

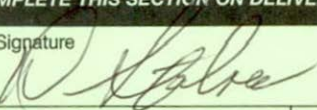
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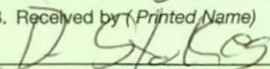
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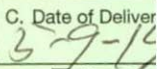
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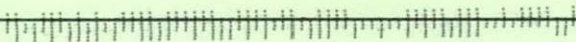
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Susan Draughn – Energy Resources
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Austin, TX 78711-2873



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GENERAL LAND OFFICE

JERRY PATTERSON, COMMISSIONER

May 5, 2014

Brenda Guzman
BHP Billiton
P.O. Box 22719
Houston, TX 77227

Certified Mail: #7011 1150 0001 2416 3731

RE: **State Lease MF112096 – Termination**

RAL Lease dated April 28, 2011, Primary Term: 5 years / 1,920.00 acres
All of Section 43, A-4005 & A-4204, All of Section 44, A-4006 and all of Section 45,
A-4007, Block 59, PSL Survey, Lease D: recorded in Clerk File #3481, Reeves County,
Texas.

Dear Ms. Guzman,

Our records indicate that the referenced Lease D has terminated for failure to pay the fourth year delay rentals due on or before April 28, 2014.

Pursuant to the Texas Administrative Code, we request that you file with this office a recorded original or certified copy of a Release of this State Oil and Gas Lease along with a processing fee of \$25.00 to be sent to my attention.

In accordance with the provisions of the TAC, if you disagree with this assessment please provide evidence to this office at the address shown below within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. Failure to reply or failure to present sufficient evidence of the continuation of the lease will result in the mineral file being endorsed as "terminated". You will receive no further communication from this office prior to endorsement.

Sincerely yours,

Susan Draughn, Landman
Mineral Leasing, Energy Resources
512-463-6521 (direct)
512-475-1543 (fax)
susan.draughn@glo.state.tx.us

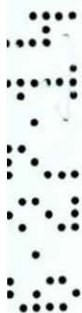
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Prepared by and after recording please return to:
BHP BILLITON PETROLEUM
1360 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 150
Houston, TX 77056-3030
Attn: Griffin McDonald

RELEASE OF OIL AND GAS LEASE

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF REEVES

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

WHEREAS, the State of Texas, acting by and through its agent, Bank of America, N.A, Trustee of the Charles R. Meeker Trust U/A DTD July 6, 1992, but amended and restated on June 5, 1998, represented herein by Edward Standley, Trust Officer, whose address is PO Box 2546, Fort Worth, TX 76113, herein called ("Lessor"), and Petrohawk Properties LP, "Lessee", made and entered into that certain Oil and Gas Lease dated effective April 29, 2011, under MF#112096D, covering and affecting 1,920 acres, more or less, located in Section 43 of Block 59, A-4005 and A-4204, Section 44 of Block 59, A-4006 and Section 45 of Block 59, A-4007, all PSL Survey, Reeves County, Texas, which lease is recorded in Book 882, Page 172 as Instrument no. 3481 of the Official Public Records of Reeves County, Texas (the "Lease"); and,

WHEREAS, BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP formerly known as PETROHAWK PROPERTIES, LP, whose current address is 1360 Post Oak Blvd., Suite #150, Houston, Texas, 77056-3030, succeeded to all rights, title and interest of Lessee under the Lease;

WHEREAS, the Lease has expired by its own terms and BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP, desires to release the Lease of record.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, Lessee does hereby release, relinquish and surrender all right, title and interest in the Lease to Lessor, its successors and assigns.

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Re/Date of P.L.H.
6-27-14
Date Filed:
Jerry Patterson, Commissioner

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date of acknowledgment, but is effective as of April 29, 2014.

BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP,
Formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP,
By: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (GP), LLC,
Its General Partner

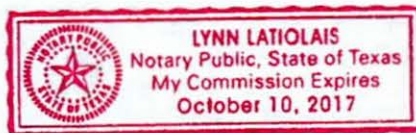
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Stephen L. Mahanay
Attorney-In-Fact

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF HARRIS)

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the 13 day of May, 2014, by **STEPHEN L. MAHANAY**, as Attorney-in-Fact of **BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (N.A.), LP**, formerly known as Petrohawk Properties, LP, **By: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (GP), LLC**, Its General Partner, a Texas limited liability company, on behalf of said limited partnership.

Witness my hand and official seal:



[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Printed Name: _____

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COUNTY CLERK
2014 May 14 03:08 PM
REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

By: VG [Signature] DEPUTY