

MINUTES

STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

LEASE SALE
AND
BOARD MEETING

MAY 8, 2024

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TO: MEMBERS OF THE STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY
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April 10, 2024

LADIES and GENTLEMEN:

Certified proofs of publication have been received in the Office of Mineral Resources on behalf of the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana from the "Advocate," official journal for the State of Louisiana, and from the respective parish journals as evidence that Tract Nos. **45746** through **45759** have been advertised in accordance with and under the provisions of Chapter 2, Title 30 of the Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

We will proceed with the opening of the bids.

Yours very truly,

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Greg Roberts
Petroleum Lands Director

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OPENING OF BIDS May 8, 2024

A public meeting for the purpose of opening sealed bids was held on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, beginning at 8:31 a.m.

Byron Miller presided over the meeting.

He then read the letters of notification certifying the legal sufficiency of the advertisement of Tracts 45746 through 45759 and Tracts 45760 through 45796 which were published for lease by the Board at today's sale.

Mr. Miller stated that no tracts were withdrawn from today's lease sale.

Mr. Miller further stated that no letters of protest were received for today's lease sale.

The following bids were then opened and read aloud to the assembled public by Mr. Miller:

Tract 45747 (Entire: ±15 acres)

Bidder	:	Theophilus Oil, Gas & Land Services, LLC
Primary Term	:	Three (3) years
Cash Payment	:	\$52,500.00
Annual Rental	:	\$26,250.00
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Additional Consideration	:	None

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(Entire: 7.053 acres)

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Additional Consideration	:	None

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Cash Payment	:	\$3,630.00
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Additional Consideration	:	None

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Annual Rental	:	\$3,503.50
Royalties	:	25% on oil and gas
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Additional Consideration	:	None

Tract 45753
(Portion: 12 acres)

Bidder	:	Hilcorp Energy I, L.P.
Primary Term	:	Three (3) years
Cash Payment	:	\$2,700.00
Annual Rental	:	\$1,350.00
Royalties	:	21% on oil and gas
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Additional Consideration	:	None

Tract 45759
(Portion: 110.000 acres)

Bidder	:	Aquest Energy LLC
Primary Term	:	Three (3) years
Cash Payment	:	\$16,500.00
Annual Rental	:	\$8,250.00
Royalties	:	20.5% on oil and gas
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Additional Consideration	:	

The lands covered by this bid contribute acreage to the E RA SUB, as established by Louisiana Office of Conservation Order No. 1039-E-I, dated effective on and after May 24, 1994. One of the current unit wells for said E RA SUB is the Joseph A. Popich et al Well No. 1 (SN226633) (Well). The Well is owned by bidder, Aquest Energy, LLC (Aquest), and is currently operated by Aquest's Contract Operator, Key Operating Company. As additional consideration for the State Mineral and Energy Board awarding a lease on this bid, Aquest will, within twelve (12) months from the effective date of such lease, cause its Contract Operator to commence good faith operations on a sidetrack of the Well to an optimum bottom hole location in an attempt to return the unit well to production and further drain the reservoir. In the event Aquest's Contract Operator fails to commence such good faith operations, unless said operations are delayed by the occurrence of Force Majeure or Suspending Event, as defined in Article 5 of the current state lease form, or otherwise deemed impractical or unfeasible for reasons beyond the control of Aquest or its contract Operator, Aquest will, within thirty (30) days from the end of said twelve (12) month period pay the State of Louisiana, as liquidated damages, the sum of \$7,000.00.

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(Portion: ±514 acres)

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Royalties	:	18.5% on oil and gas
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Additional Consideration	:	

Lessor herein wishes to participate in the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) Mineral Lease Minimums for 2024, as per the terms of the letter dated March 13, 2024 that is attached to the original bid.

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- After 3 years production, Minimum Royalty increases to 20.5%
- Production must begin within 24 months, otherwise Minimum Royalty will revert to 22.5%
- Royalty reduction will end January 1, 2025.

Tract 45791
(Entire: 1,924.76 acres)

Bidder	:	Magnetar Exploration, L.P.
Primary Term	:	Three (3) years
Cash Payment	:	\$288,714.00
Annual Rental	:	\$144,357.00
Royalties	:	18.5% on oil and gas
	:	18.5% on other minerals
Additional Consideration	:	

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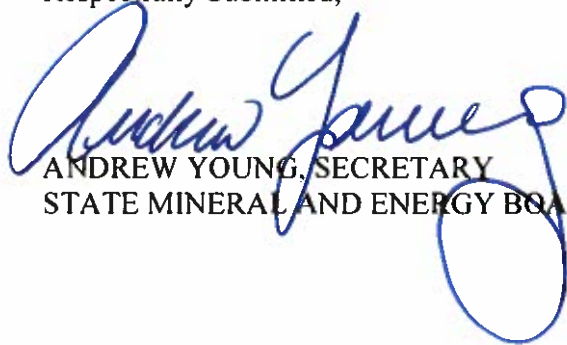
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This concluded the reading of the bids.

There being no further business, the Opening of the Bids Meeting was concluded at 8:57 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


ANDREW YOUNG, SECRETARY
STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

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REGULAR MEETING MAY 8, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board was held on **Wednesday, May 8, 2024**, beginning at 9:35 a.m. in the LaBelle Room of the LaSalle Building, 617 N. 3rd Street, First Floor, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

I. ADMINISTERING OF THE OATHS OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY APPOINTED STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD MEMBERS

Ryan M. Seidemann, Chief of the Lands & Natural Resources Section in the Civil Division of the Office of Attorney General Liz Murrill, administered the Oaths of Office to new board members present at today's meeting.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Andrew Young, Assistant Secretary of the Office of Mineral Resources and Secretary to the State Mineral and Energy Board, called the meeting to order.

III. ROLL CALL

Mr. Young then called the roll for the purpose of establishing a quorum.

Sidney W. Degan III

J. Todd Hollenshead

Tyler P. Gray, DENR Secretary (left during Executive Session discussions)

Robert D. Watkins

Magnus J. "Jake" Arceneaux IV

Matthew G. Moncla

Billy A. Busbice, Jr.

Charles W. "Wes" Shepherd Sr.

Harvey "Ned" White (arrived prior to Executive Session discussions)

The following members were recorded as absent:

Clifton Dale Sittig

Mr. Seidemann announced that a quorum was established.

Mr. Young also recognized and welcomed new board members, Mr. Charles W. “Wes” Shepherd and Mr. Billy A. Busbice, Jr.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Young led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

V. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 13, 2024 MINUTES

Mr. Young stated that the next order of business was the approval of the March 13, 2024 Minutes.

A motion was made by Mr. Busbice to adopt the March 13, 2024 Minutes as submitted, and to waive reading said minutes in entirety. His motion was seconded by Mr. Shepherd and unanimously adopted by the Board. No public comments were made at this time.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Young stated the next order of business was the presentation of the following Staff Reports:

- a) **Lease Review Report** – Presented by Jason Talbot, Petroleum Scientist Manager, Geology, Engineering and Land Division
- b) **Nomination and Tract Report** – Presented by Greg Roberts, Petroleum Lands Director, Geology, Engineering and Land Division
- c) **Audit Report** – Presented by Taletha Shorter, Audit Director, Mineral Income Division
- d) **Legal and Title Controversy Report** – Presented by Greg Roberts, Petroleum Lands Director, Geology, Engineering and Land Division
- e) **Docket Review Report** – Presented by Greg Roberts, Petroleum Lands Director, Geology, Engineering and Land Division

** Resolutions are in chronological order at the end of the minutes.*

**a) LEASE REVIEW REPORT
MAY 8, 2024
(Resolution No. 24-05-001)**

I. GEOLOGICAL AND ENGINEERING STAFF REVIEW

According to the SONRIS database, there are 967 active State Leases containing approximately 410,681 acres. Since the March 13, 2024 report, the Geological and Engineering Division reviewed 176 leases covering approximately 95,014 acres for lease maintenance and development.

II. BOARD REVIEW

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

III. FORCE MAJEURE

1. Mr. Jason Talbot of the Office of Mineral Resources reported that Comstock Resources, Inc (Comstock) requested that the Board recognize a force majeure event for State Lease No. 20146 and Operating Agreement A0315 in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier and Caddo Parishes.

Mr. Talbot reported that the event involved a leaking pipeline being operated by a different company and resulted in the Franks 11-13-16 H 1 well being shut-in starting December of 2023.

Mr. Talbot further reported that a request was made to accept a late shut-in payment for State Lease No. 20146 and, without the acceptance of the late shut-in payment, a portion of this lease would otherwise expire.

Staff recommended that the Board recognize the force majeure event for both A0315 and State Lease No. 20146 and accept the late shut-in payment for State Lease No. 20146.

Upon motion of Mr. Busbice, seconded by Mr. Shepherd and by unanimous vote of the Board, the Board accepted Staff's recommendation and agreed to recognize the force majeure event for both A0315 and State Lease No. 20146 and accept the late shut-in payment for State Lease No. 20146 in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier and Caddo Parishes. There were no comments from the public on this matter. **(Resolution No. 24-05-001)**

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b) NOMINATION AND TRACT REPORT
May 8, 2024
(Resolution No. 24-05-002)

The Board heard the report of Mr. Greg Roberts on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, relative to nominations received in the Office of Mineral Resources for the June 12, 2024 and July, 10, 2024 Mineral Lease Sale and other matters.

Based upon Staff's recommendation, and on motion of Mr. Hollenshead, duly seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, the Board granted authority to Staff to advertise all such tracts that have been received by the Staff of the Office of Mineral Resources as well as any tracts that have been previously advertised and rolled over and otherwise approve the Nomination and Tract Report. **(Resolution No. 24-05-002)**

c) AUDIT REPORT
May 8, 2024
(Resolution No. 24-05-003)

The first matter on the audit report was the election of the May 2024 gas royalty to be paid on a processed basis at the Discovery Plant at Larose and the Sea Robin Plant at Henry per the terms of the State Texaco Global Settlement Agreement.

Upon motion of Mr. Busbice, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, the Board voted unanimously to acknowledge and approve the election of the March 2024 gas royalty to be paid on a processed basis at the Discovery Plant at Larose and the Sea Robin Plant at Henry per the terms of the State Texaco Global Settlement Agreement. **(Resolution No. 24-05-003)**

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d) LEGAL & TITLE CONTROVERSY REPORT
May 8, 2024

There were no items presented to the State Mineral and Energy Board for consideration.

e) DOCKET REVIEW REPORT
May 8, 2024
(Resolution No(s). 24-005-004 thru 24-05-010)

The Board heard the report from Greg Roberts on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, relative to the following:

- Category A: State Agency Leases
There were no items for this category
- Category B: State Lease Transfers
Docket Item Nos. 1 thru 5
- Category C: Department of Wildlife & Fisheries State Agency Lease
There were no items for this category
- Category D: Advertised Proposals
Docket Item Nos. 1 and 2

Based upon the staff's recommendation, on motion of Secretary Gray, duly seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, the Board voted to accept the following recommendations:

- Category B: State Lease Transfers
Docket Item Nos. 1 thru 5
(Resolution Nos. 24-05-004 thru 24-05-008)
- Category D: Advertised Proposals
Docket Item Nos. 1 and 2
(Resolution Nos. 24-05-009 and 24-05-010)

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION
(Resolution No(s). 24-05-011 thru 24-05-014)

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

Upon motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, and a roll call of the Board Members, the Board went into Executive Session at 10:08 a.m.

Upon motion of Mr. Busbice, seconded by Mr. Watkins, and a roll call of the Board Members, the Board reconvened in open session at 12:00 p.m. for consideration of the following matters discussed in Executive Session:

- a. A discussion of the ongoing dispute in Hilcorp v. State, Docket No. 65759 between the State of Louisiana and the Timolat-Johnson Heirs in 17 MKR-5 RA SU; Timolat-Johnson proposal.

Upon motion of Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Busbice, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted authority to Staff and the Attorney General's office to proceed as discussed in Executive Session. There were no comments from the public on this matter. **(Resolution No. 24-05-011)**

- b. A discussion of the suit entitled: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (NA), LP v. ET Robinson Property, et al., Docket No. 36075, Thirty-Ninth Judicial District Court, Red River Parish, State of Louisiana

Upon motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted authority to Staff and the Attorney General's office to proceed as discussed in Executive Session. There were no comments from the public on this matter. **(Resolution No. 24-05-012)**

- c. A discussion of the suit entitled: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (NA), LP v. ET Robinson Property, et al., Docket No. 36074, Thirty-Ninth Judicial District Court, Red River Parish, State of Louisiana

This matter was merely a discussion, and no action by the Board was required.

- d. A discussion of the suit entitled: State of Louisiana, by and through, The State Mineral and Energy Board v. Chesapeake Louisiana, L.P., Docket No. C-727403, Division "22", 19th Judicial District Court, East Baton Rouge Parish, State of Louisiana

Upon motion of Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. White, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted authority to Staff and the Attorney General's office to proceed as discussed in Executive Session. There were no comments from the public on this matter. **(Resolution No. 24-05-013)**

- e. A discussion of proposed terms for an Operating Agreement with Williams covering underground natural gas storage within the Washington Gas Storage Unit in St. Landry Parish, Louisiana

Upon motion of Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. White, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board granted authority to Staff and the Attorney General's office to reject the current offer from Williams and requested that this executive session discussion be presented again to the Board at next month's meeting (May 8, 2024) for further discussion of a counter offer. There were no comments from the public on this matter. **(Resolution No. 24-05-014)**

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

This matter was merely a discussion, and no action by the Board was required.

- g. Technical Briefing on Bids

VIII. AWARDING OF LEASES

Mr. Jason Talbot presented the Staff's recommendations to the Board:

Staff reported that there were fifty-one (51) tracts up for bid at today's lease sale, fourteen (14) bids were received on fourteen (14) single tracts.

Staff recommended rejecting the bid received on Tract 45747 for insufficient consideration and that this tract be re-advertised with minimums.

Upon motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board rejected the bid received on Tract 45747 for insufficient consideration and granted Staff the authority to re-advertise the tract with minimums.

Staff recommended rejecting the bid on Tract 45749 for an improper bid due to the fact that there was no amount listed for a rental on the bid form.

Upon motion of Mr. Busbice, seconded by Mr. White, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board rejected the bid on Tract 45749.

Staff also recommended opening bidding to the floor on Tract 45749.

Upon motion of Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. White, and by unanimous vote of the Board, the State Mineral and Energy Board rejected the bid on Tract 45749.

Upon call from the Chairman for bidding from the floor, Mr. Pat Theophilus of Theophilus Oil, Gas & Land Services, LLC submitted the following bid on behalf of SW Mississippi Oil & Gas, LLC as follows:

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There were no other bids submitted on this tract, and Staff recommended accepting the bid of SW Mississippi Oil & Gas, LLC.

Upon motion of Mr. Busbice, and seconded by Mr. Moncla, the Board voted unanimously to accept the bid of SW Mississippi Oil & Gas, LLC on Tract 45749 and award a lease on said tract.

Staff recommended accepting the remaining twelve (12) bids received on twelve (12) single tracts at today's lease sale.

Upon motion of Mr. Busbice, and seconded by Mr. White, the Board voted unanimously to accept the remaining twelve (12) bids and award leases on the following tracts:

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- Production must begin within 24 months, otherwise Minimum Royalty will revert to 22.5%
- Royalty reduction will end January 1, 2025.

Tract 45791
(Entire: 1,924.76 acres)

Bidder	:	Magnetar Exploration, L.P.
Primary Term	:	Three (3) years
Cash Payment	:	\$288,714.00
Annual Rental	:	\$144,357.00
Royalties	:	18.5% on oil and gas
	:	18.5% on other minerals
Additional Consideration	:	

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

This concluded the awarding of the leases.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A presentation by Mr. Clay Parker, Special Counsel for the Office of Coastal Activities, regarding HB 810 and the reorganization of the Department of Energy and Natural Resources.

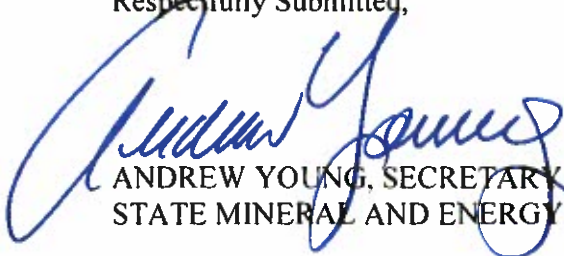
X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Pat Theophilus of Theophilus Oil, Gas & Land Services, LLC addressed the Board regarding the renewal of the expiration of the Royalty Reduction Program.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Young then stated that there being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion of Mr. Busbice, seconded by Mr. Moncla, the meeting was adjourned at 12:32 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



ANDREW YOUNG, SECRETARY
STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION #24-05-001

(LEASE REVIEW REPORT)

WHEREAS, on motion of Mr. Busbice, seconded by Mr. Shepherd, the following resolution was offered and adopted:

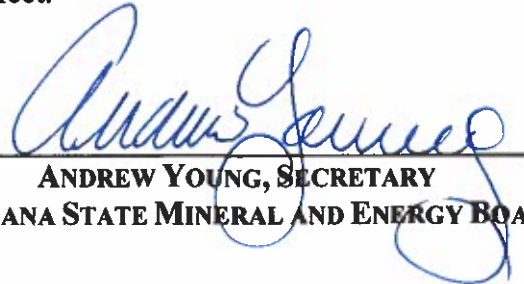
WHEREAS, Mr. Jason Talbot of the Office of Mineral Resources reported that Comstock Resources, Inc requested the following:

- Recognition of a force majeure event for State Lease No. 20146 and Operating Agreement A0315 in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier and Caddo Parishes, and
- Acceptance of a late shut-in payment for State Lease No. 20146 whereas without acceptance of the late shut-in payment, a portion of the State Lease would otherwise expire.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Mineral and Energy Board recognizes a force majeure event for A0315 and State Lease No. 20146 in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier and Caddo Parishes, and accepts the late shut-in payment for State Lease No. 20146.

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 5th day of May, 2024, of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice and in compliance with law, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of said Board and is now in full force and effect.



ANDREW YOUNG, SECRETARY
LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Authority to Advertise
Tracts for the June 12,
2024 and July 10, 2024
Lease Sale

RESOLUTION #24-05-002

(NOMINATION AND TRACT REPORT)

WHEREAS, Mr. Greg Roberts reported that seventeen (17) tracts were nominated for the June 12, 2024 Mineral Lease Sale, and that fifteen (15) were nominated for the July 10, 2024 Mineral Lease Sale, and requested that same be advertised pending staff review;

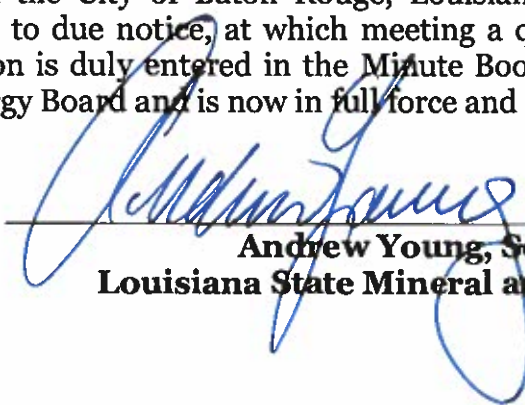
ON MOTION of **Mr. Hollenshead**, seconded by **Mr. Arceneaux**, the following recommendation was offered and unanimously adopted by the Board after discussion and careful consideration:

That the State Mineral and Energy Board grant approval to advertise all such tract(s) for the June 12, 2024 Mineral Lease Sale and the July 10, 2024 Mineral Lease Sale;

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

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 8th day of May, 2024, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of said Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board and is now in full force and effect.



Andrew Young, Secretary
Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Re: State Texaco
Global Settlement
Agreement

RESOLUTION #24-05-003

(AUDIT REPORT)

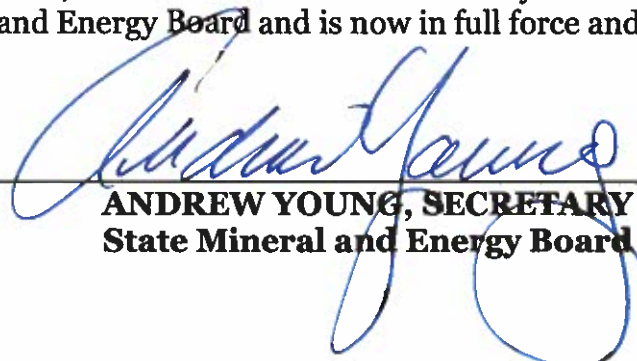
WHEREAS, Staff reported to the Board that the election of the May 2024 gas royalty is to be paid on a processed basis at the Discovery Plant at Larose and the Sea Robin Plant at Henry per the terms of the State Texaco Global Settlement Agreement; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Mineral and Energy Board acknowledged and approved that the election of the May 2024 gas royalty is to be paid on a processed basis at the Discovery Plant at Larose and the Sea Robin Plant at Henry per the terms of the State Texaco Global Settlement Agreement.

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 8th day of May, 2024 of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of the State Mineral and Energy Board and is now in full force and effect.



ANDREW YOUNG, SECRETARY
State Mineral and Energy Board

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Resolution #24-05-004

(DOCKET)

On motion of Secretary Gray, seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 1 from the May 8, 2024 meeting be approved, said being An Assignment from Mark A. O'Neal & Associates, Inc. to SWN Production (Louisiana), LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease Nos. 22169, 22170, 22171 and 22172, DeSoto, Red River, Natchitoches and Sabine Parishes, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

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

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

1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;

2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board;

3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;

4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;

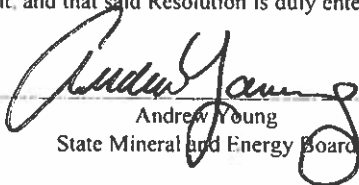
5) That for purposes of recordation and notice, certified copies of this Resolution be attached to all docketed copies of the instrument approved hereby; and

6) That nothing herein shall be construed as approval for any assignment, sublease or transfer to or from any individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity who has filed bankruptcy proceedings unless such status is specifically recognized in this resolution.

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

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board held in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 8th day of May, 2024, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Book of said Board and is now in full force and effect.


Andrew Young
State Mineral and Energy Board

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Resolution #24-05-005 (DOCKET)

On motion of Secretary Gray, seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 2 from the May 8, 2024 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Chesapeake Louisiana, L.P. and Chesapeake Plains, L.L.C. to BPX Operating Company, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 20148, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

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

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

1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;

2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board;

3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;

4) That this approval is given merely for the purpose of validating the assignment or transfer under the provisions of R.S. 30:128, but by giving its approval, the Board does not recognize the validity of any other instrument referred to therein that has not also been considered and approved by the Board in its entirety nor of any descriptions nor adopt any of the terms and conditions in the assignment or transfer, including but not limited to any election to convert an overriding royalty interest to a working interest, and any such election shall not be effective until written notice thereof is given to the Board and assignment or transfer of such working interest in recordable form is docketed for approval and approved by the Board, and, furthermore, that this approval may not operate as the Board's approval of any sales contract, which may have been entered into by the parties to the assignment or transfer, inasmuch as the Board specifically reserves the right to take its royalty oil, gas and other minerals in kind;

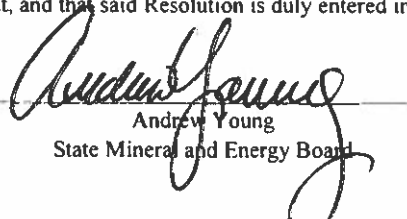
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Andrew Young
State Mineral and Energy Board

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Resolution #24-05-006 (DOCKET)

On motion of Secretary Gray, seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 3 from the May 8, 2024 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Chesapeake Louisiana, LP. And Chesapeake Plains, LLC to BPX Operating Company, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 9835, Red River Parish, Louisiana, **INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS** said lease covers Section 21-T13N-R11W, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

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

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

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3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;

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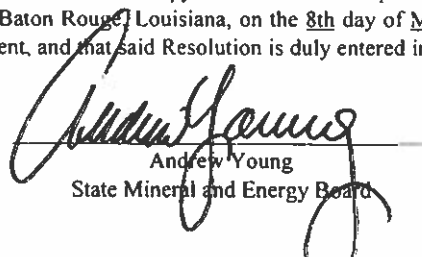
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Andrew Young
State Mineral and Energy Board

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Resolution #24-05-007

(DOCKET)

On motion of Secretary Gray, seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 4 from the May 8, 2024 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Cypress Energy Partners, LLC to Paloma Natural Gas, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No. 22183, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

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

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

1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;

2) That failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the basic lease by the original lessee, or by any assignee, sublessor or sublessee, prior or subsequent hereto, shall not be deemed waived by the approval of said instrument by the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana, it being distinctly understood that the State Mineral and Energy Board for the State of Louisiana does not recognize said instrument as creating a novation, as regards any right or interest of the State or Board;

3) That in the event ownership of the basic mineral lease is or becomes vested in two or more lessees responsible to the lessor for compliance with indivisible obligations to maintain the lease, then said lessees shall designate in writing to the State Mineral and Energy Board the lessee representing the joint account of all lessees, who shall be accountable to the Board for discharge of indivisible obligations under the lease for all lessees or for release in lieu of compliance therewith, provided that in the event of failure of said lessees to comply with such condition, then the Board may withhold approval of and thereby deny validity to any pending or future assignment or transfer of an interest in the lease, and, provided further, that if any lessee should agree to release the lease or any segregated portion thereof in lieu of complying with an indivisible lease obligation to maintain the lease and no other lessee desires to assume and undertake the indivisible obligation, then all lessees agree to join in a release or to otherwise execute a similar release of their rights to lessor, relegating any nonsignatory lessee to such remedy, if any, as such party may have against the lessee or lessees, who may execute a release purporting to cover the entirety of the lease or of a segregated portion thereof;

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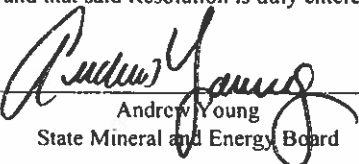
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Andrew Young
State Mineral and Energy Board

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Resolution #24-05-008

(DOCKET)

On motion of Secretary Gray, seconded by Mr. Arceneaux, the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Mineral and Energy Board that Docket Item No. 5 from the May 8, 2024 meeting be approved, said being an Assignment from Pruet Offshore Company to LLOLA, LLC, of all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to State Lease No.20344, Plaquemines, Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument.

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

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

1) That all terms and conditions of the basic lease will be fulfilled, including but not limited to the full payment of rentals and royalties, regardless of the division of leasehold interests resulting from the instrument;

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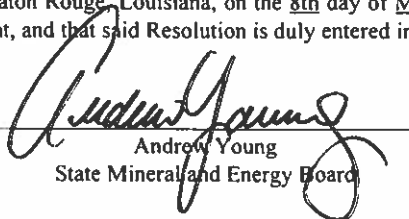
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Secretary is hereby authorized to reflect the approval of the State Mineral and Energy Board by affixing his signature to the aforesaid instrument.

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Andrew Young
State Mineral and Energy Board

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

Executive Session Discussion
Re: Discussion of Hilcorp v. State
Docket No. 65759 between the
State of LA and the Timolat-
Johnson Heirs in 17 MKR-5 RA
SU. Timolat-Johnson proposal

RESOLUTION #24-05-011

(EXECUTIVE SESSION)

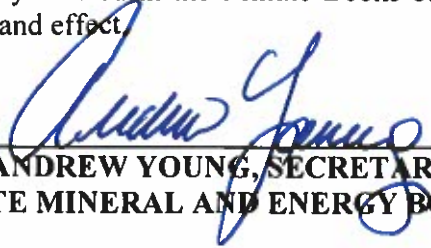
WHEREAS, a discussion of the ongoing dispute in Hilcorp v. State, Docket No. 65759 between the State of Louisiana and the Timolat-Johnson Heirs in 17 MKR-5 RA SU; Timolat-Johnson proposal was held; and

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

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

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 8th day of May, 2024 of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of the State Mineral and Energy Board and is now in full force and effect.



ANDREW YOUNG, SECRETARY
STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION #24-05-012

(EXECUTIVE SESSION)

Executive Session Discussion
Re: A discussion of the suit
entitled BHP Billiton Petroleum
Properties (NA), LP v. ET
Robinson Property, et al., Docket
No. 36075, Thirty-Ninth Judicial
District Court, Red River Parish,
State of Louisiana

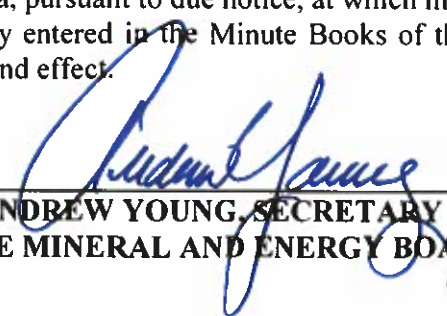
WHEREAS, a discussion of the suit entitled: BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties (NA), LP v. ET Robinson Property, et al., Docket No. 36075, Thirty-Ninth Judicial District Court, Red River Parish, State of Louisiana was held; and

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

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ANDREW YOUNG, SECRETARY
STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION #24-05-013

(EXECUTIVE SESSION)

Executive Session Discussion
Re: A discussion of the suit
entitled: State of Louisiana, by and
through, The State Mineral and
Energy Board v. Chesapeake
Louisiana, L.P., Docket No. C-
727403, Division "22", 19th
Judicial District Court, East Baton
Rouge Parish, State of Louisiana

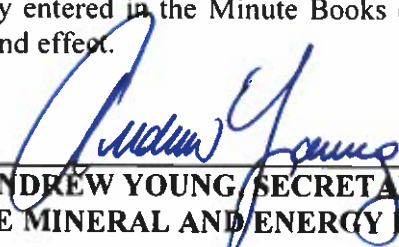
WHEREAS, a discussion of the suit entitled: State of Louisiana, by and through, The State Mineral and Energy Board v. Chesapeake Louisiana, L.P., Docket No. C-727403, Division "22", 19th Judicial District Court, East Baton Rouge Parish, State of Louisiana was held; and

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

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

CERTIFICATE

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ANDREW YOUNG, SECRETARY
STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

RESOLUTION #24-05-014

(EXECUTIVE SESSION)

Executive Session Discussion
Re: A discussion of proposed
terms for an Operating Agreement
with Williams covering
underground natural gas storage
within the Washington Gas
Storage Unit in St. Landry Parish,
Louisiana

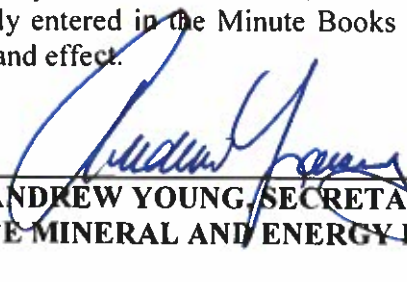
WHEREAS, a discussion of proposed terms for an Operating Agreement with Williams covering underground natural gas storage within the Washington Gas Storage Unit in St. Landry Parish, Louisiana was held; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Mineral and Energy Board does hereby grant authority to Staff and the Attorney General's office to reject the current offer from Williams and requested that this executive session discussion be presented again to the Board at next month's meeting (May 8, 2024) for further discussion of a counter offer.

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting on the 8th day of May, 2024 of the State Mineral and Energy Board in the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, pursuant to due notice, at which meeting a quorum was present, and that said Resolution is duly entered in the Minute Books of the State Mineral and Energy Board and is now in full force and effect.



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STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD