



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

New Orleans Office
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard
New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

In Reply Refer To: Bond No. EACX404557

March 28, 2025

KUSA Inc.
251 Little Falls Drive
Wilmington, DE 19808
Attn: Jay Sartain

Dear Mr. Sartain:

Your letter dated March 12, 2025, submitting Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Supplemental Bond No. EACX404557, in the amount of \$3,612,529, was received by our office on March 28, 2025. This bond, conditioned to cover Lease OCS-G 36132, all of Block 545, Mississippi Canyon, was executed on March 12, 2025, with KUSA Inc. as principal and Endurance Assurance as surety.

The bond conforms to the requirements of the leasing and operating regulations for the submerged lands of the Outer Continental Shelf. It is effective as of the date filed, March 28, 2025.

Should you need further assistance, please contact Kathleen Lee at (504) 736-5774 or boemgulffinancialassurance@boem.gov.

Sincerely,

**BRIDGETTE
DUPLANTIS** Digitally signed by
BRIDGETTE DUPLANTIS
Date: 2025.03.28 09:45:39
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Bridgette Duplantis, Section Supervisor
Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section
Leasing and Plans

cc: Blake Givens (Bgivins@sompo-intl.com)
Wes Raska (Wes.Raska@aon.com)
Jay Sartain (Jay.Sartain@karoonenergy.com)
Terri Morrison (terri.morrison@aon.com)

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U.S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
Gulf of Mexico OCS Region
MS: GM 266A
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard
New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

**Leasing & Financial
Responsibility Section**

RE: New Bonds

To Whom It May Concern:

Please find new bonds for the following Principals **KUSA Inc.** effective March 12, 2025.

Bond Number	Bond Type/Description	Principal	Bond Amount	Surety
EACX4042558	Supplemental Bond	KUSA Inc.	\$3,898,244.00	Endurance Assurance Corporation
EACX404557	Supplemental Bond	KUSA Inc.	\$3,612,529.00	Endurance Assurance Corporation

Should you have any questions regarding the new bonds, please contact one of the following:

Blake Givens
Sompo International North America
4 Manhattanville Road
Purchase, NY 10577
Bgivins@sompo-intl.com
704-999-9935

Wes Raska
Aon
1300 Post Oak #1400
Houston, Texas 77056
Wes.Raska@aon.com
281-797-4960

Jay Sartain
Karoony Energy Ltd.
Suite 2050 Pennzoil Place
711 Louisiana St.
Houston, TX 77002
Jay.Sartain@karoonyenergy.com
281-934-0408

Sincerely,

Jay Sartain

Sent via email to: boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov, terri.morrison@aon.com, bgivens@sompo-intl.com, wes.raska@aon.com, jay.sartain@karoonyenergy.com

Cover Page
**OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS)
MINERAL LESSEE'S OR OPERATOR'S
SUPPLEMENTAL BOND**

Form BOEM-2028A

This form dated **July 2024** supersedes all previous versions of form BOEM-2028A

All Bond Forms must be submitted with a transmittal letter to the appropriate BOEM office:

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
Gulf of America OCS Office
1201 Elmwood Park Blvd. New Orleans LA 70123-2394
Leasing and Financial Responsibility - Mail Stop GM266A

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
Alaska OCS Office
3801 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 500
Anchorage AK 99503-5820 Alaska Leasing Section

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
Pacific OCS Office
760 Paseo Camarillo, Suite 102
Camarillo CA 93010
Lease Management

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Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) requires us to inform you that BOEM collects this information to hold the surety liable for the obligations and liability of the Principal (lessee or operator). Responses are mandatory. No proprietary information is collected. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form should be directed to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 45600 Woodland Road, Sterling, VA 20166.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Bond No. EACX4042557

OCS Lease/RUE/ROW No. OCS-G 36132

Bond Type Supplemental

Amount \$ 3,612,529.00

**OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS) MINERAL LESSEE'S OR OPERATOR'S
SUPPLEMENTAL BOND**

The **Surety** is the entity Guaranteeing Performance.

Name of Surety: Endurance Assurance Corporation

Mailing Address: 4 Manhattanville Road

Purchase, NY 10577

If a Corporation, Incorporated in the State of: Delaware; County or Parish of: Westchester

☒ Check here if Surety is certified by U.S. Treasury as an acceptable surety on Federal Bonds and listed in the current U.S. Treasury Circular No. 570.

The **Principal** is the Lessee or Designated Operator for Whom the Bond is Issued.

Name of Principal: KUSA Inc.

Mailing Address: 251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, Delaware 19808

Schedule A, the lease/RUE/ROW covered by this bond, is composed of: (add legal description)

☐ Check here if additional information is on attached sheet.

The following lease/RUE/ROW: All of Block 545, Mississippi Canyon, OCS Official Protraction Diagram, NH 16-10

In addition to the Obligations of the Principal during the period of liability of this bond, the Surety also accepts the following Obligations: (Check one)

☒ No Obligations other than the Obligations of the Principal during the period of liability of this bond.

☐ All Obligations of all previous Sureties or guarantors even if the Obligations are not Obligations of the Principal during the period of liability of this bond.

☐ All Obligations of all previous Sureties or guarantors even if the Obligations are not Obligations of the Principal during the period of liability of this bond with the following exceptions or limitations (use an attached rider).

Definitions

For the purposes of this document:

A **Principal** includes an entity holding an interest in the oil & gas lease in one or more of the following ways: (1) as an approved record title owner of all or a portion of the lease, (2) as an approved operating rights owner of all or a portion of the lease, or (3) as a designated operator or designated agent in all or a portion of the lease.

A **Lessee** includes an approved record title owner of all or a portion of the lease or an approved operating rights owner of all or a portion of the lease.

An **Obligation** includes any obligation arising from any regulations of the Department of the Interior or any Instrument issued, maintained, or approved under the OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*).

An **Instrument** includes individually or collectively any lease, operating agreement, designation of operator or agent, storage agreement, compensatory royalty agreement, transfer of operating rights, permit, license, or easement, whereunder the Principal has the right, privilege, or license to conduct operations on the OCS.

A **Person** includes an individual, a public or private entity, a State, a political subdivision of a State, any association of individuals, corporations, States, or subdivisions of States, or a government agency.

By signing below, the Principal verifies that the information above is correct and agrees to the following:

The Principal as agent on behalf of all lessees, operating rights owners, and operators will fulfill all Obligations for the entire leasehold and to the same extent as though the Principal were the sole lessee for the lease/RUE/ROW in Schedule A.

By signing below, the Surety verifies that the information above is correct and agrees to the following:

1. The Surety does hereby absolutely and unconditionally bind itself to the United States of America acting through and by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), or such other official designated by the Secretary of the Interior for this purpose, for the payment of all of the cost of the plugging and abandonment Obligations.
2. The Surety will be responsible for all Obligations of the Principal in existence at the time this document becomes effective and all Obligations that accrue after that date and until all Obligations are met or until the Regional Director terminates the period of liability of this bond.
3. If the Regional Director terminates the period of liability of this bond, the Surety will remain responsible for Obligations that accrued during the period of liability until the Regional Director issues a written cancellation of the bond in favor of the Surety.
4. If this bond is cancelled, the Regional Director may reinstate this bond as if no cancellation had occurred if any payment of any Obligation of the Principal(s) is rescinded or must be restored pursuant to any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization, or receivership, or should the representation of the Principal that it has paid its financial Obligations or performed the other

Obligations of the lease in accordance with BOEM specifications be materially false and BOEM relied upon such representation in canceling the instrument.

5. The Surety waives any right of notice of this bond taking effect and agrees that this bond will take effect upon delivery to BOEM.
6. The Surety's Obligations will remain in full force and effect, even if:
 - (a) Any person assigns all or part of any interest in an Instrument covered by this document.
 - (b) Any person modifies an Instrument or Obligation under an Instrument in any manner including modifications that result from a commitment to a unit, cooperative, communitization, or storage agreement; suspension of operations or production; suspension or changes in rental, minimum royalty, or royalties; modification of regulations or interpretations of regulations; creation or modification of compensatory royalty agreements or payments; or creation of any mortgage, pledge, or other grant of security interest in the Instruments.
 - (c) Any person, event, or condition terminates any Instrument covered by this bond, whether the termination is by operation of law or otherwise.
 - (d) BOEM takes or fails to take any action in enforcing, as against any party to the Instrument, the payment of rentals or royalties or the performance of any other covenant, condition or agreement of the lease, or giving notice of or making demand with respect to such nonperformance.
 - (e) The Surety suffers any loss by reason of any law limiting, qualifying, or discharging the Principal's Obligation.
7. The Surety agrees to be bound under this bond as to the interests in any Instrument retained by the Principal when BOEM approves the transfer of any or all of the Instruments or interests in the Instruments.
8. In the event of any default under a lease, the Surety must provide payment of all of the cost of the Obligations of the Principal upon demand by BOEM.
9. If BOEM decides to commence suit to enforce its rights, it may commence and prosecute any claim, suit, action, or other proceeding against the Principal and Surety, or either of them, whether or not BOEM joins the lessees or any other party.
10. In the event there is more than one Surety for the Principal's performance of the Obligations, as to any Instrument, the Surety's Obligation and liability under this bond is on a "solidary" or "joint and several" basis along with other guarantors or sureties.
11. The Surety agrees to give prompt notice to BOEM and the Principal of any action filed alleging the insolvency or bankruptcy of the Surety or the Principal, or alleging any violation that would result in suspension or revocation of the Surety's charter or license to do business.
12. The Surety's Obligation and liabilities under this Bond are binding upon the Surety's successors and assigns. Nothing in this document permits assignment of the Surety's Obligation without the written consent of BOEM.
13. The Surety hereby waives any defenses to liability on this bond based on an unauthorized Principal signature.

Endurance Assurance Corporation

Name of Surety

Signature of Person Executing for Surety

Terri L. Morrison, Attorney-in-Fact

Name and Title (typed or printed)

4 Manhattanville Road

Business Address

Purchase, NY 10577

Business Address

KUSA Inc.

Name of Principal

Signature of Person Executing for Principal

John-Carter Murchison, Director

Name and Title (typed or printed)

251 Little Falls Drive

Business Address

Wilmington, Delaware 19808

Business Address

Signed on this 12th day of March, 202025, in the State of Texas, in the presence of:

Signature of Witness

Gina A. Rodriguez, Witness

Name (typed or printed)

4 Manhattanville Road

Address

Purchase, NY 10577

Address

Signature of Witness

Jay Sartain, Witness

Name (typed or printed)

251 Little Falls Drive

Address

Wilmington, DE 19808

Address

Note: The person executing for the Surety must attach a corporate resolution and power of attorney stating his or her authority to undertake this Obligation, pursuant to the acts of the corporate board of directors and the laws of the State of incorporation. The corporation executing this bond as Surety and the Principal, if a corporation, must affix their corporate seals.

BOEM-2028A (July 2024)

Previous Editions are Obsolete.

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, that **Endurance Assurance Corporation**, a Delaware corporation ("EAC"), **Endurance American Insurance Company**, a Delaware corporation ("EAIC"), **Lexon Insurance Company**, a Texas corporation ("LIC"), and/or **Bond Safeguard Insurance Company**, a South Dakota corporation ("BSIC"), each, a "Company" and collectively, "**Sompo International**," do hereby constitute and appoint: **Lupe Tyler, Lisa A. Ward, Donna L. Williams, Misty Wright, Terri L. Morrison, Amanda George, Gina Rodriguez, Andrea M. Penaloza, Vanessa Dominguez** as true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact to make, execute, seal, and deliver for, and on its behalf as surety or co-surety; bonds and undertakings given for any and all purposes, also to execute and deliver on its behalf as aforesaid renewals, extensions, agreements, waivers, consents or stipulations relating to such bonds or undertakings provided, however, that no single bond or undertaking so made, executed and delivered shall obligate the Company for any portion of the penal sum thereof in excess of the sum of **One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00)**.

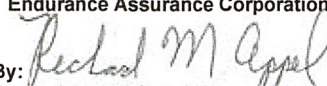



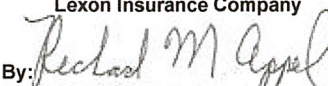



Such bonds and undertakings for said purposes, when duly executed by said attorney(s)-in-fact, shall be binding upon the Company as fully and to the same extent as if signed by the President of the Company under its corporate seal attested by its Corporate Secretary.

This appointment is made under and by authority of certain resolutions adopted by the board of directors of each Company by unanimous written consent effective the 30th day of March, 2023 for BSIC and LIC and the 17th day of May, 2023 for EAC and EAIC, a copy of which appears below under the heading entitled "Certificate".

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the board of directors of each Company by unanimous written consent effective the 30th day of March, 2023 for BSIC and LIC and the 17th day of May, 2023 for EAC and EAIC and said resolution has not since been revoked, amended or repealed:

RESOLVED, that the signature of an individual named above and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such power of attorney or any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Company has caused this instrument to be signed by the following officers, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 25th day of May, 2023.

Endurance Assurance Corporation  By: Richard Appel; SVP & Senior Counsel 	Endurance American Insurance Company  By: Richard Appel; SVP & Senior Counsel 	Lexon Insurance Company  By: Richard Appel; SVP & Senior Counsel 	Bond Safeguard Insurance Company  By: Richard Appel; SVP & Senior Counsel 
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On this 25th day of May, 2023, before me, personally came the above signatories known to me, who being duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she is an officer of each of the Companies; and that he executed said instrument on behalf of each Company by authority of his office under the by-laws of each Company.

By: 
 Amy Taylor, Notary Public - My Commission Expires 3/9/27


CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Officer of each Company, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that:

1. That the original power of attorney of which the foregoing is a copy was duly executed on behalf of each Company and has not since been revoked, amended or modified; that the undersigned has compared the foregoing copy thereof with the original power of attorney, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the original power of attorney and of the whole thereof;
2. The following are resolutions which were adopted by the board of directors of each Company by unanimous written consent effective 30th day of March, 2023 for BSIC and LIC and the 17th day of May, 2023 for EAC and EAIC and said resolutions have not since been revoked, amended or modified:

"RESOLVED, that each of the individuals named below is authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on behalf of the Company any and all bonds, undertakings or obligations in surety or co-surety with others: **RICHARD M. APPEL, MATTHEW E. CURRAN, MARGARET HYLAND, SHARON L. SIMS, CHRISTOPHER L. SPARRO,**

and be it further

RESOLVED, that each of the individuals named above is authorized to appoint attorneys-in-fact for the purpose of making, executing, sealing and delivering bonds, undertakings or obligations in surety or co-surety for and on behalf of the Company."

3. The undersigned further certifies that the above resolutions are true and correct copies of the resolutions as so recorded and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal this 12th day of March, 2025 ^{25th Gonz.}

By: 
 Daniel S. Lurie, Secretary

NOTICE: U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL (OFAC)

No coverage is provided by this Notice nor can it be construed to replace any provisions of any surety bond or other surety coverage provided. This Notice provides information concerning possible impact on your surety coverage due to directives issued by OFAC. **Please read this Notice carefully.**

The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) administers and enforces sanctions policy, based on Presidential declarations of "national emergency". OFAC has identified and listed numerous foreign agents, front organizations, terrorists, terrorist organizations, and narcotics traffickers as "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons". This list can be located on the United States Treasury's website - <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List>.

In accordance with OFAC regulations, if it is determined that you or any other person or entity claiming the benefits of any coverage has violated U.S. sanctions law or is a Specially Designated National and Blocked Person, as identified by OFAC, any coverage will be considered a blocked or frozen contract and all provisions of any coverage provided are immediately subject to OFAC. When a surety bond or other form of surety coverage is considered to be such a blocked or frozen contract, no payments nor premium refunds may be made without authorization from OFAC. Other limitations on the premiums and payments may also apply.

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Surety Claims Submission: LexonClaimAdministration@sompo-intl.com

Telephone: 615-553-9500 Mailing Address: Sompo International; 12890 Lebanon Road; Mount Juliet, TN 37122-2870