



# 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. DUA001672

May 29, 2025

EP Energy E&P Company, L.P.  
c/o McGriff  
10100 Katy Freeway, Suite 400  
Houston, TX 77043  
Attn: Ashley Koletar

Dear Ms. Koletar:

Your letter dated May 28, 2025, submitting replacement Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Pipeline Right-of-Way Grant Bond No. DUA001672, in the amount of \$300,000, was received by our office on that same date. This bond, conditioned to cover the principal's pipeline operations in the Gulf of America, was executed on July 8, 2024, with EP Energy E&P Company, L.P. as principal and AXIS Insurance Company as surety.

This bond replaces Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Pipeline Right-of-Way Grant Bond No. 104758980, in the amount of \$300,000. This bond, conditioned to cover principal's pipeline operations in the Gulf of Mexico, was executed on July 6, 2006, with El Paso E&P Company, L.P. as principal, and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America as surety.

Attached to and forming a part of Bond No. 104758980, is Name Change Surety Rider, executed on July 1, 2012, which changes the name of the principal from El Paso E&P Company, L.P. to EP Energy E&P Company, L.P. The rider is effective June 1, 2012.

The replacement bond, Bond No. DUA001672, conforms to the requirements of the leasing and operating regulations for submerged lands of the Outer Continental Shelf and is considered to be effective July 8, 2024, the date it was executed. The period of liability of Bond No. 104758980 is considered to have terminated and the bond is considered cancelled without residual liability on the same date.

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

Sincerely,

**BRIDGETTE**  
**DUPLANTIS**

Digitally signed by  
BRIDGETTE DUPLANTIS  
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Bridgette Duplantis, Section Supervisor  
Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section  
Leasing and Plans

cc: Daniel Savitz ([dsavitz@verdunoilco.com](mailto:dsavitz@verdunoilco.com))  
Ashley Koletar ([akoletar@mcgriff.com](mailto:akoletar@mcgriff.com))



May 28, 2025

via email transmission ([boemGOMRfinancialassurance@boem.gov](mailto:boemGOMRfinancialassurance@boem.gov))

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management  
Attn: Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section  
1201 Elmwood Park Blvd., Mail Stop GM 266A  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394

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**May 28, 2025**

*Leasing & Financial  
Responsibility Section*

Re: **Acceptance of Replacement Bond**  
Principal: EP Energy E&P Company, L.P.  
Bond No. **DUA001672**  
Surety: AXIS Insurance Company  
Bond Amount: \$300,000  
General Areawide Pipeline ROW Bond

**Cancellation Request**

Principal: EP Energy E&P Company, L.P.  
Bond No. **104758980**  
Surety: Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America  
Bond Amount: \$300,000  
General Areawide Pipeline ROW Bond

**Acceptance of Replacement Bond**

Principal: EP Energy E&P Company, L.P.  
Bond No. **DUA001673**  
Surety: AXIS Insurance Company  
Bond Amount: \$3,000,000  
General Areawide Operator's Bond

**Cancellation Request**

Principal: EP Energy E&P Company, L.P.  
Bond No. **104758979**  
Surety: Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America  
Bond Amount: \$3,000,000  
General Areawide Operator's Bond

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of EP Energy E&P Company, L.P., please find enclosed two fully executed "like for like" Replacement Bonds outlined above.

Upon acceptance of the replacement bonds, we hereby request the cancellation and release of the current bonds referenced above.

As this request is accepted and processed, please provide notification via email to the following parties:

Daniel Savitz, EP Energy: [dsavitz@verdunoilco.com](mailto:dsavitz@verdunoilco.com)

Ashley Koletar, McGriff Insurance Services, Inc.: [akoletar@mcgriff.com](mailto:akoletar@mcgriff.com)

Thank you for your consideration, and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ashley Koletar at (713) 906-3013 or by the above stated email address.

Sincerely,

*Ashley Koletar*

Ashley Koletar  
Attorney-In-Fact



**Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America**  
**Travelers Casualty and Surety Company**  
**St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company**

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint **Namesia Anderson, Joseph R Aubert, Marc W Boots, Richard Covington, Michael Garcia, Susan Golla, Ashley Koletar, Vickie Lacy, Stephanie Moore Harold, Melanie Salinas, Ryan Varela, Dylan Young, Maria D Zuniga** of Houston, Texas, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed, and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this **16th** day of **February, 2024**.



State of Connecticut

City of Hartford ss.

On this the **16th** day of **February, 2024**, before me personally appeared **Bryce Grissom**, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of each of the Companies, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of said Companies by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires the **30th** day of **June, 2026**



By:   
Bryce Grissom, Senior Vice President

  
Anna P. Nowik, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of each of the Companies, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

**RESOLVED**, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, **Kevin E. Hughes**, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of each of the Companies, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which remains in full force and effect.

Dated this **28th** day of **May**, **2025**



  
Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary

To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, please call us at 1-800-421-3880.

Please refer to the above-named Attorney(s)-in-Fact and the details of the bond to which this Power of Attorney is attached.

Cover Page  
**OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY  
GRANT BOND**

**Form BOEM-2030**

**This form dated March 2023 supersedes all previous versions of form  
BOEM-2030**

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

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management  
Gulf of Mexico 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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**May 28, 2025**

*Leasing & Financial  
Responsibility Section*

**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 3 hours 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

OMB Control No.: 1010-0006  
Expiration Date: 3/31/2026

OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS) PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY GRANT BOND

Bond No.: DUA001672

Bond Type: ☒ Area wide ☐ Additional Security (Check One) Area/ROW #: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ 300,000.00

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

Name of Surety: AXIS Insurance Company

Mailing Address: 10000 Avalon Boulevard, Suite 200

Alpharetta, GA 30009

If a Corporation, Incorporated in the State of: Illinois; County or Parish of: Fulton

☐ 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 Pipeline Right-of-way (ROW) Grant Holder for Whom the Bond or additional security\* is Issued.

Name of Principal: EP Energy E&P Company, L.P.

Mailing Address: 945 Bunker Hill Road, Suite 1300

Houston, TX 77024

Schedule A, the OCS area and pipeline ROW grant covered by this bond or additional security\*, is comprised of (check one or both):

☒ The following OCS area[(see 30 CFR 550.1011(b))]: Gulf of America

☐ The following pipeline ROW grant [see 30 CFR 550.1011(a)(2)]: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check here if additional information is continued on attached sheet.

In addition to the Obligations of the Principal during the period of liability of this bond or additional security\*, 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 or additional security\*.
- ☒ 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 or additional security\*.
- ☐ 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 or additional security\* with the following exceptions or limitations (use an attached sheet if needed):

**Definitions**

For the purposes  
of this document:

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 USC 1331 et seq.

An **Instrument** includes any pipeline ROW grant, whereunder the Principal has the right, privilege, or license to conduct pipeline operations on the OCS.

A **Person** includes an individual, a public or private corporation, 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 the pipeline ROW grant holder will fulfill all Obligations for the entire pipeline ROW grant and to the same extent as though the Principal were the sole pipeline ROW grant holder for all pipeline ROW grants in Schedule A within an area designated 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 performance of all present and future Obligations.
2. The Surety agrees to meet all existing and future Obligations of the Principal on the pipeline ROW grant(s) described in Schedule A or acquired within that area after the effective date of this document at a cost not to exceed \$ \$ 300,000.00 unless this sum has been increased or decreased by a rider to this bond or additional security\*executed in the same manner as this bond or additional security\*.
3. 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 or additional security\*.

**OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS) PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY GRANT BOND (Continued)**

4. If the Regional Director terminates the period of liability of this bond or additional security\*, 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 or additional security\* in favor of the Surety.
5. If this bond or additional security\* is cancelled, the Regional Director may reinstate this bond or additional security\* as if no cancellation had occurred if any payment of any obligations 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 pipeline ROW grant(s) in accordance with BOEM specifications be materially false and the BOEM relied upon such representation in canceling the instrument.
6. The Surety waives any right of notice of this bond or other security\* taking effect and agrees that this bond or additional security\* will take effect upon delivery to BOEM.
7. The Surety's Obligations will remain in full force and effect, even if:
  - (a) Any person assigns the 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 modification of regulations or interpretations of regulations; 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 or additional security\*, whether the termination is by operation of law or otherwise.
  - (d) The BOEM takes or fails to take any action in enforcing, as against any party to the Instrument, the performance of any other covenant, condition or agreement of the pipeline ROW grant, 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.
8. The Surety agrees to be bound under this bond or additional security\* as to the interests in any Instrument retained by the Principal when the BOEM approves the transfer of any or all of the Instruments.
9. In the event of any default under a pipeline ROW grant, the Surety must perform the Obligations of the Principal upon demand by the BOEM.
10. If the 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 the BOEM joins the pipeline ROW grant holder or any other party.
11. 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 or additional security\* is on a "solidary" or "joint and several" basis along with other guarantors or sureties.
12. The Surety agrees to give prompt notice to the 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.
13. The Surety's Obligation and liabilities under this Bond or additional security\* 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 the BOEM.
14. The Surety hereby waives any defenses to liability on this bond or additional security\* based on an unauthorized Principal signature.

**\* Must be approved by the Regional Director**



OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS) PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY GRANT BOND (Continued)

AXIS Insurance Company

Name of Surety

*Vickie Lacy*

Signature of Person Executing for Surety  
Vickie Lacy, Attorney-in-Fact

Name and title typed or printed  
10000 Avalon Boulevard, Suite 200

Business Address

Alpharetta, GA 30009

Business Address

EP Energy E&P Company, L.P.

Name of Principal

*all EP*

Signature of Person Executing for Principal  
*Daniel Sautz* Vice President

Name and title typed or printed  
945 Bunker Hill Road, Suite 1300

Business Address

Houston, TX 77024

Business Address

Signed on this 8th day of July, 2024, in the State of Texas, in the presence of:

*Namesia Anderson*

Signature of Witness

Namesia Anderson

Name typed or printed

10100 Katy Freeway, Suite 400

Address

Houston, TX 77043

Address

*Sarah Terry*

Signature of Witness

*Sarah Terry*

Name typed or printed

*945 Bunker Hill Rd. #1300*

Address

*Houston, Tx 77024*

Address

Note: The party signing 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 pipeline right-of-way grant holder, if a corporation, must affix their corporate seals.

**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 (pipeline right-of-way holder). Responses are required to obtain or retain a benefit. Proprietary data are covered under 30 CFR 550.197. 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 3 hours per response (in the Alaska and Pacific Regions, this could take longer), 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.

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know All Men by These Presents: That **AXIS Insurance Company**, an Illinois property and casualty company. (the "Company") does hereby appoint:

Ashley Koletar, Dylan Young, Heather Noles, Joseph R. Aulbert, Marc W. Boots, Richard Covington, Ryan Varela, Vickie Lacy, Melanie Salinas, and Maria D. Zuniga.

as its true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, bonds and undertakings, such documents to be valid as though executed by the Company on its own behalf. The Company may revoke this appointment at any time.

EXCEPTION: NO AUTHORITY is granted to make, execute, seal and deliver bonds or undertakings that guarantee the payment or collection of any promissory note, check, draft or letter of credit.

This Power of Attorney is signed, sealed and certified under and by the authority of resolutions adopted by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors of the Company on September 27, 2023:

RESOLVED, that in connection with the Agreements, any one of the Chief Executive Officer, President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President of the Company, or any Vice President - Surety (each an "Authorized Officer"), acting singly, shall have the power and authority to appoint and revoke Attorneys-In-Fact, and to allow such Attorneys-In-Fact to further delegate their power and authority pursuant to appropriate written agreements, to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on behalf of the Company as surety, bonds and undertakings, such documents to be valid as though executed by the Company on its own behalf; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that each of the each of the Authorized Officers and any Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Company, hereby is, acting singly, authorized, empowered and directed to perform such acts and things as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the foregoing resolution and the transactions contemplated thereby.

In Witness Whereof, **AXIS Insurance Company** has caused this instrument to be signed and its corporate seal to be affixed by a duly elected and qualified officer, this 10th day of October, 2023.

Attested and Certified  
AXIS Insurance Company

By: [Signature]

Printed Name: Andrew M. Weissert

Title: Senior Vice President

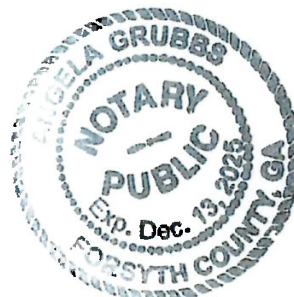


STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF FULTON

Before me personally came Andrew M. Weissert, Senior Vice President of **AXIS Insurance Company**, to me known to be the individual and officer described herein, who acknowledged that they, being duly authorized, signed, sealed with the corporate seal and delivered the foregoing instrument by the authority and direction of said Company.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal.

[Signature]  
Notary Public



CERTIFICATION

I, Frances R. Mathis, Assistant Secretary of **AXIS Insurance Company**, do hereby certify that the attached Power of Attorney the 10th day of October, 2023, on behalf of the person(s) as listed above is a true and correct copy and the same has been in full force and effect since the date thereof and is in full force and effect on the date of this certificate; and I do further certify that the said Andrew M. Weissert, who executed the Power of Attorney, was a duly elected Senior Vice President of **AXIS Insurance Company** on the date of the execution of the attached Power of Attorney.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of **AXIS Insurance Company** on this the 8th day of July, 2024.

By: [Signature]

Printed Name: Frances R. Mathis

Title: Assistant Secretary

