United States Department of the Interior
MARINE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION
Gulf of America OCS Region
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard
New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394

In Reply Refer To: Bond No. 612410075 November 3, 2026

MP Gulf of Mexico, LLC
c/o McGriff
10100 Katy Freeway, Suite 400
Houston, TX 77043
Attn: Ashley Koletar

Dear Ms. Koletar:

Your letter dated October 29, 2026, requesting cancellation of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Supplemental Bond No. 612410075, in the amount of $8,121,125 was received by our office on November 2, 2026. This bond, conditioned to cover Lease OCS-G 16969, all of Block 249, Walker Ridge, was executed on August 2, 2021, with MP Gulf of Mexico, LLC as principal and United States Fire Insurance Company as surety.

The Marine Minerals Administration has assessed the decommissioning liability for OCS-G 16969 to be $0. Therefore, the Marine Minerals Administration has no objection to cancellation of Bond No. 612410075, which is considered cancelled without residual liability effective November 3, 2026, the date of final concurrence with the cancellation.

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

Sincerely,

BERNADETTE THOMAS
Digitally signed by BERNADETTE THOMAS
Date: 2026.11.03 13:26:24 -06'00'

Bernadette Thomas
Regional Supervisor
Leasing and Plans

cc: Paul Ursta (paul_ursta@murphyoilcorp.com)
Ashley Koletar (akoletar@mcgriff.com)

McGriff

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November 2, 2026
Leasing & Financial
Responsibility Section

October 29, 2026

via email transmission (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

Re: Request for Cancellation of Bond 612410075
Lease OCS-G16969; WR 249

Dear Sir or Madam:

We hereby request Bureau of Ocean Energy Management ("BOEM") fully release and cancel bond **612410075** referenced below. The decommissioning liability is $0.

Current Bond:

Principal	Surety	Bond No.	Bond Amount	Bond Type
MP Gulf of Mexico, LLC	United States Fire Insurance Company	**612410075**	$8,121,125	Supplemental Lease Bond

Please email a copy of the release letter to the email addresses below.

Paul Ursta, MP Gulf of Mexico/Murphy: Paul_Ursta@murphyoilcorp.com
Ashley Koletar, McGriff (Broker): akoletar@mcgriff.com

Thank you for your consideration in this regard. Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (713) 906-3013 or at the above-stated email address.

Sincerely,

Ashley Koletar

Ashley Koletar
Attorney-In-Fact

POWER OF ATTORNEY
UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
PRINCIPAL OFFICE - MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That United States Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Delaware, has made, constituted and appointed, and does hereby make, constitute and appoint: **Marc W. Boots; Maria D. Zuniga; Vickie Lacy; Ashley Koletar; Ryan Varela; Stephanie Moore Harold; Dylan Young; Namesia Anderson; Melanie Salinas and Richard Covington** each, its true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred in its name, place and stead, to execute, acknowledge and deliver: Any and all bonds and undertakings of surety and other documents that the ordinary course of surety business may require, and to bind United States Fire Insurance Company thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bonds or undertakings had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of United States Fire Insurance Company at its principal office, in amounts or penalties: **One Hundred Twenty Five Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars ($125,800,000)**

This Power of Attorney limits the act of those named therein to the bonds and undertakings specifically named therein, and they have no authority to bind United States Fire Insurance Company except in the manner and to the extent therein stated.

This Power of Attorney is granted pursuant to Article IV of the By-Laws of United States Fire Insurance Company as now in full force and effect, and consistent with Article III thereof, which Articles provide, in pertinent part:

Article IV, Execution of Instruments - Except as the Board of Directors may authorize by resolution, the Chairman of the Board, President, any Vice-President, any Assistant Vice President, the Secretary, or any Assistant Secretary shall have power on behalf of the Corporation:

(a) to execute, affix the corporate seal manually or by facsimile to, acknowledge, verify and deliver any contracts, obligations, instruments and documents whatsoever in connection with its business including, without limiting the foregoing, any bonds, guarantees, undertakings, recognizances, powers of attorney or revocations of any powers of attorney, stipulations, policies of insurance, deeds, leases, mortgages, releases, satisfactions and agency agreements;
(b) to appoint, in writing, one or more persons for any or all of the purposes mentioned in the preceding paragraph (a), including affixing the seal of the Corporation.

Article III, Officers, Section 3.11, Facsimile Signatures. The signature of any officer authorized by the Corporation to sign any bonds, guarantees, undertakings, recognizances, stipulations, powers of attorney or revocations of any powers of attorney and policies of insurance issued by the Corporation may be printed, facsimile, lithographed or otherwise produced. In addition, if and as authorized by the Board of Directors, dividend warrants or checks, or other numerous instruments similar to one another in form, may be signed by the facsimile signature or signatures, lithographed or otherwise produced, of such officer or officers of the Corporation as from time to time may be authorized to sign such instruments on behalf of the Corporation. The Corporation may continue to use for the purposes herein stated the facsimile signature of any person or persons who shall have been such officer or officers of the Corporation, notwithstanding the fact that he may have ceased to be such at the time when such instruments shall be issued.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, United States Fire Insurance Company has caused these presents to be signed and attested by its appropriate officer and its corporate seal hereunto affixed this 17th day of January, 2025.

UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Matthew E. Lubin, President

State of New Jersey}
County of Morris }

On this 17th day of January, 2025, before me, a Notary public of the State of New Jersey, came the above named officer of United States Fire Insurance Company, to me personally known to be the individual and officer described herein, and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing instrument and affixed the seal of United States Fire Insurance Company thereto by the authority of his office.

ETHAN SCHWARTZ
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 8/25/2029
COMMISSION: #50223171

Ethan Schwartz (Notary Public)

I, the undersigned officer of United States Fire Insurance Company, a Delaware corporation, do hereby certify that the original Power of Attorney of which the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy is still in force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of United States Fire Insurance Company on the 29th day of October 2026

UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Michael C. Fay, Senior Vice President

*For verification of the authenticity of the Power of Attorney, please contact SuretyInquiries@amyntagroup.com.