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BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

Gulf of Mexico OCS Region  
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard  
New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

In Reply Refer To: MS GM 266A  
OCS-G 13219

MAY 17 2018

Mr. Jeff Shipper  
Panther Operating Company, LLC  
16000 Stuebner Airline, Suite 420  
Spring, TX 77379

Dear Mr. Shipper:

Your letter dated February 27, 2018, requesting cancellation of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Supplemental Bond No. SUR0037353, in the amount of \$947,500 was received by our office on March 1, 2018. This bond, conditioned to cover Right-of-Way OCS-G 13219, was executed on February 26, 2016, with Panther Operating Company, LLC as principal and Argonaut Insurance Company as surety.

Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement has assessed the decommissioning liability for OCS-G 13219 to be \$0. Therefore, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management has no objection to cancellation of bond No. SUR0037353. Bond No. SUR0037353 is considered cancelled without residual liability effective March 27, 2018, the date of final concurrence with the cancellation.

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

Sincerely,

Michael A. Celata  
Regional Director

cc: Ms. Marie Hogan  
Argonaut Insurance Company  
11700 Katy Freeway, Suite 1100  
Houston, TX 77079

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## **Panther Operating Company, LLC**

February 27, 2018

Kathleen S. Lee – MS GM266A  
Program Support, Financial Assurance  
U. S. Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management  
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Re: Request for Bond Termination  
SUR0037353, ROW OSC-G 13219  
Pipeline Segment 9412

Dear Ms. Lee:

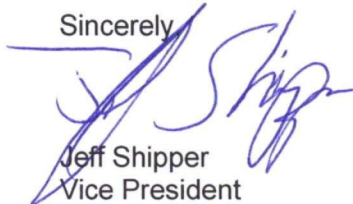
Pursuant to regulations contained in Title 30 CFR, 556.906, Panther Operating Company, LLC (Panther) hereby submits for your review and consideration this request to terminate the following bond pertaining to ROW OCS-G 13219:

- Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Supplemental Bond No. SUR0037353 in the amount of \$947,500 executed on February 26, 2016

Please be advised that the pipeline has been abandoned and the appropriate reports have been submitted to the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE). Therefore, Panther requests bond termination effective May 16, 2017, per the attached copy of Panther's Final Decommission-in-Place Completion Report for pipeline Segment 9412 date stamped "Accepted" by BSEE on May 16, 2017. We sincerely apologize for the delay in requesting this termination. This delay in no way affects the actual decommissioning date nor does it pose any additional risk to U.S. taxpayers to release the bond as of May 16, 2017.

Should you have questions or require additional information, please contact Suzy Younger at 281-698-8520 or [suzy.younger@jccteam.com](mailto:suzy.younger@jccteam.com).

Sincerely,



Jeff Shipper  
Vice President

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Attachment

