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BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT Gulf of Mexico OCS Region 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

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In Reply Refer To: MS GM 266A 170704

PetroQuest Energy, L.L.C. 400 E. Kaliste Saloom Rd., Suite 6000 Lafayette, LA 70508 Attn: Arthur M. Mixon, III

Dear Mr. Mixon:

Your letter dated January 15, 2019, submitting your replacement Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond No. 170704, in the amount of \$3,000,000, was received by our office on January 28, 2019. This bond, conditioned to cover principal's leasehold interest held now or hereafter in the Gulf of Mexico, was executed on January 10, 2019, with PetroQuest Energy, L.L.C. as principal and Evergreen National Indemnity Company as surety.

This bond replaces your Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond No. SU11911, in the amount of \$3,000,000. This bond, conditioned to cover principal's leasehold interest held now or hereafter in the Gulf of Mexico, was executed on April 19, 2017, with PetroQuest Energy, L.L.C. as principal, and Aspen American Insurance Company as surety.

The replacement bond, Bond No. 170704, conforms to the requirements of the leasing and operating regulations for submerged lands of the Outer Continental Shelf and is considered to be effective January 10, 2019, the date it was executed. The period of liability of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond No. SU11911 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 boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov.

Sincerely,

Leasing and Plans

Susan Vaughan, Section Chief Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section

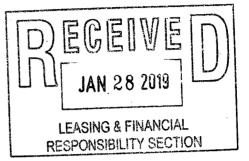
- cc: Evergreen National Indemnity Company 5847 San Felipe, Suite 2800 Houston, TX 77057 Attn: Mr. E. Patrick Hennesy, III
 - Aspen American Insurance Company 5847 San Felipe, Suite 320 Houston, TX 77057 Attn: Ms. Kristin Darling

Sent Via Email To: <u>dearly@petroquest.com</u>, <u>fmcclellan@lockton.com</u>, <u>astockton@lockton.com</u>, <u>pat.hennesy@jltus.com</u>



January 15, 2019

United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Ocean and Energy Management Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section 1201 Elmwood Park Blvd New Orleans, LA 70123-2394



Attn: Mail Stop GM266A

Principal:

Cancellation and Replacement of Bonds PetroQuest Energy, L.L.C. Types of Bonds: OCS Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond Description: OCS Pipeline ROW Grant Bond OCS Supplemental Bond OCS Area Wide Bond

Dear Sir/Madam:

·RE:

PetroQuest Energy, L.L.C. ("PetroQuest"), Company No. 2222, herein requests via this letter both the termination/cancellation of the below-described bonds and the replacement of the cancelled bonds with the below described replacement bonds.

	Surety Company	Bond Number	Description	Bond Amount
1.	Aspen American Insurance Company	SU11912	Effective 4/12/2017 Areawide Pipeline Right of Way Grant Bond	\$300,000
2.	Aspen American Insurance Company	SU11911.	Effective 4/12/2017 Areawide OCS Mineral Lessee's or Operator Bond	\$3,000,000
3.	Aspen American Insurance Company	SU11839	Effective 7/16/2014 Supplemental OCS Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Supplemental Bond (OCS-G 27197)	\$150,000

Bonds to be Cancelled/Terminated:

	Surety Company	Bond Number	Description	Bond Amount
1.	Evergreen National Indemnity Company	170705	Areawide Pipeline Right of Way Grant Bond	\$300,000
2.	Evergreen National Indemnity Company	170704	Areawide OCS Mineral Lessee's or Operator Bond	\$3,000,000
3.	Evergreen National Indemnity Company	170706	Supplemental OCS Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Supplemental Bond (OCS-G 27197)	\$150,000

Replacement Bond numbers correspond to the above numbered bonds to be cancelled:

In summary:

Evergreen Bond No. 170705 replaces SU11912 Evergreen Bond No. 170704 replaces SU11911 Evergreen Bond No. 170706 replaces SU11839

Contact information is as follows:

Principal:

Cancelled Surety:

Desireé D. Early 337-232-7028 <u>dearly@petroquest.com</u> Florence M. McClellan 713-458-5409 <u>fmcclellan@lockton.com</u>

Autumn Stockton 713-458-5282 astockton@lockton.com

Replacement Surety: Pat Hennesy 713-325-7645 Pat.hennesy@jltus.com

Should you require anything further in connection with this request, please contact Desireé D. Early at 337-232-7028 or at <u>dearly@petroquest.com</u>

Sincerely Arthur M. Mixon, III

Arthur M. Mixon, III Executive Vice President-Operations & Production

Enclosures

U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Ocean Energy Management OMB Control No.: 1010-0006 Expiration Date: 6/30/2019

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

Form BOEM-2028

This form dated June 2016 supersedes all previous versions of form BOEM-2028

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.

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Lease No.	Gulf of Mexico
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Bond No._170704

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Bond Type Areawide

Amount \$ 3,000,000.00

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	The Surety is the entity Guaranteeing Perform	ance.				
Name of Surety: Evergreen National Indemnity Company						
Mailing Address: 6140 Parkland Blvd., Suite 321						
_	Mayfield Heights, OH 44124					
If a Corporation, Ir	ncorporated in the State of: Ohio ; County or Paris	_{sh of:} Cuyahoga				
Check here if Sure	ty is certified by U.S. Treasury as an acceptable surety on Federal Bonds and l					
	The Principal is the Lessee or Designated Operator for Whom	the Bond is Issued.				
	PetroQuest Energy, L.L.C.					
Mailing Address: _	400 E. Kaliste Saloom Rd., Suite 6000, Lafayette, LA 70508					
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Definitions	A Principal includes an entity holding an interest in the oil & gas le					
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	owner of all or a portion of the lease.					
	An Obligation includes any obligation arising from any regulations Instrument issued, maintained, or approved under the OCS Lands Ac					
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	agent, storage agreement, compensatory royalty agreement, transfer					
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	individuals, corporations, States, or subdivisions of States, or a governr	nent agency.				
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	ise indicated on Schedule A, the Principal will fulfill all Obligati the Principal were the sole lessee for all leases in Schedule A or					
	region designated in Schedule A.	for all leases for which the Trineipar has an				
By signing below,	the Surety verifies that the information above is correct and agree					
	es hereby absolutely and unconditionally bind itself to the United State					
	an Energy Management (BOEM), or such other official designated by nance of all present and future Obligations.	the secretary of the interior for this purpose,				
2. The Surety will be responsible for all Obligations of the Principal in existence at the time this document becomes effective and all						
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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.

Evergreen National Indemnity Company	PetroQuest Energy, L.L.C.
Name of Surety	Name of Principal
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Signature of Person Executing for Surety	Signature of Person Executing for Principal
E. Patrick Hennesy III, Attorney-in-Fact	Arthur M. Mixon, III, Executive Vice President - Operations & Production
Name and Title (typed or printed)	Name and Title (typed or printed)
5847 San Felipe, Suite 2800	400 E. Kaliste Saloom Road, Suite 6000
Business Address	Business Address
Houston, TX 77057	Lafayette, LA 70508
Business Address	Business Address
Signed on this 10th day of January	$120_{10}, 20_{10}, 10$, in the State of TX , in the presence of:
Signature of Witness	Signature of Witness
Lauren Ayars	Desirce D. Early
Name (typed or printed)	Name (typed or printed)
5847 San Felipe, Suite 2800	400 E. Kaliste Saloom Road, Suite 6000
Address	Address
Houston, TX 77057	Lafayette, LA 70508
Address	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.

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EVERGREEN NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY MAYFIELD HEIGHTS, OH POWER OF ATTORNEY

Bond No. 170704

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the Evergreen National Indemnity Company, a corporation in the State of Ohio does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint:

E. Patrick Hennesy, III

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact to make, execute, attest, seal and deliver for and on its behalf, as Surety, and as its act and deed, where required, any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances and written obligations in the nature thereof, PROVIDED, however, that the obligation of the Company under this Power of Attorney shall not exceed TWENTY-FIVE MILLION AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$25,000,000.00)

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed by facsimile pursuant to the following Resolution adopted by its Board of Directors on the 23rd day of July, 2004:

"RESOLVED, That any two officers of the Company have the authority to make, execute and deliver a Power of Attorney constituting as Attorney(s)-in-fact such persons, firms, or corporations as may be selected from time to time. FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signatures of such officers 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 signatures or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company; and any such powers so executed and certified by facsimile signatures and facsimile 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, the Evergreen National Indemnity Company has caused its corporate seal to be affixed hereunto, and these presents to be signed by its duly authorized officers this 1st day of June, 2017.

EVERGREEN NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY



By: Matthew T. Tucker, President

By: David A. Canzone, CFO

Notary Public) State of Ohio) SS:

On this 1st day of June, 2017, before the subscriber, a Notary for the State of Ohio, duly commissioned and qualified, personally came Matthew T. Tucker and David A. Canzone of the Evergreen National Indemnity Company, to me personally known to be the individuals and officers described herein, and who executed the preceding instrument and acknowledged the execution of the same and being by me duly sworn, deposed and said that they are the officers of said Company aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the preceding instrument is the Corporate Seal of said Company, and the said Corporate Seal and signatures as officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of said Corporation, and that the resolution of said Company, referred to in the preceding instrument, is now in force.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Cleveland, Ohio, the day and year above written.



PENNY M HAMM NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF OHIO Comm. Expires 04-04-2022

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Penny M. Hamm, Notary Public My Commission Expires April 4, 2022

State of Ohio)

SS:

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Evergreen National Indemnity Company, a stock corporation of the State of Ohio, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore that the Resolution of the Board of Directors, set forth herein above, is now in force.

Signed and sealed this 10th day of January, 2019.



Wan C. Collier, Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of Texas County of <u>Harris</u>

Before me, <u>Ahide H. McGuffie</u>, on this day personally appeared <u>E. Patrick Hennesy III</u>, known to me (or proved to me on the oath of _______ or through (description of identity card or other document) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this <u>10th</u> day of <u>January</u>, <u>2019</u>.

111111 AHIDE H. MCGUFFIE Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 04-04-2020 Notary ID 10317070

(Personalized Seal)

Notary Public's Signature