



# 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: MS GM 266A  
B000800

October 27, 2020

Panther Interstate Pipeline Energy, LLC  
14401 Walters Rd., Suite 960  
Houston, TX 77014  
Attn: Jeff Shipper

Dear Mr. Shipper:

Your letter dated October 14, 2020, requesting termination of the period of liability of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Right-of-Way Grant Bond No. B000800, in the amount of \$300,000, was received by our office on October 16, 2020. This bond, conditioned to cover principal's pipeline operations in the Gulf of Mexico, was executed on March 22, 2004, with Panther Interstate Pipeline Energy, LLC as principal and U.S. Specialty Insurance Company as surety.

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management has no objection to termination of Bond No. B000800. The period of liability is considered to have terminated effective October 23, 2020, the date of final concurrence with the termination, except as to any liability which may have accrued prior to that date.

Notwithstanding the fact that the period of liability under the above-described bond has terminated, the bond cannot be cancelled until seven years after the termination of the lease, six years after completion of all bonded obligations, or at the conclusion of any appeals or litigation related to your bonded obligations, whichever is the latest. When these requirements have been met you may submit a written cancellation request.

Please note that during the aforementioned period, to cover actual or potential outstanding obligations associated with the herein identified lease, you may provide acceptable security, pledged collateral or another corporate surety bond to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management in lieu of the above-described surety.

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

Sincerely,  
**BERNADETTE  
THOMAS**

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BERNADETTE THOMAS  
Date: 2020.10.27 11:37:53  
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Bernadette Thomas  
Regional Supervisor  
Leasing and Plans

cc: U.S. Specialty Insurance Company  
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Houston, TX 77040  
Attn: W. Russell Brown

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**PANTHER INTERSTATE PIPELINE ENERGY, LLC**

October 14, 2020

**ELECTRONIC MAIL TO BOEM Gulf of Mexico Financial Assurance Team**

Att: Kathleen Lee & Michael Celata

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[Michael.celata@boem.gov](mailto:Michael.celata@boem.gov)

**Re: Request for Termination of Period of Liability For Panther Interstate Pipeline Energy, LLC GOM Company No. 2752 - Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Right-of-Way Grant Bond No. B000800 in the amount of \$300,000 executed on March 22, 2004. Effective Date filed, namely August 17, 2004.**

Dear Ms. Lee & Mr. Celata:

All the Panther Interstate Pipeline Energy, LLC pipeline segments on the Outer Continental Shelf have been abandoned pursuant to BSEE requirements. Therefore, please allow this letter to serve as request to terminate the period of liability. The bonding information is attached. As a requirement of the termination process, please send all requests, emails or responses to Broker, Surety, and me as shown below.

**Broker:**

Denise Raker - Acct Exec/Surety Bond Manager

Higginbotham

11700 Katy Frwy., Ste 1100, Houston, TX 77079

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**Surety:**

Meredith Anderson - Underwriter

IndemCo (U.S. Specialty Insurance Company)

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[manderson@indemco.com](mailto:manderson@indemco.com)

**Panther Interstate Pipeline Energy, LLC:**

Jeff Shipper - Manager

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**RECEIVED**  
**October 16, 2020**

*Leasing & Financial  
Responsibility Section*

Thanks for your prompt attention to this request. Please confirm receipt of this email.

  
Jeff Shipper  
Manager