

# **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 RLB0017137 November 20, 2020

Arena Energy, LP c/o RLI Insurance Company 9025 N. Lindbergh Drive Peoria, IL 61615

Attn: Gretchen L. Johnigk

Dear Ms. Johnigk:

Your letter dated October 30, 2020, submitting Bond Rider To Assume All Prior Liabilities, Rider No. 1, to be attached to and form a part of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Pipeline Right-of-Way Grant Bond No. RLB0017137, in the amount of \$300,000, was received by our office on November 3, 2020. This bond, conditioned to cover principal's pipeline operations in the Gulf of Mexico, was executed on October 30, 2020, with Arena Energy, LLC as principal and RLI Insurance Company as surety.

With the acceptance of Rider No. 1, executed on October 30, 2020, Bond No. RLB0017137 extends to and covers all liability associated with Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Pipeline Right-of-Way Grant Bond No. RLB0013522, in the amount of \$300,000. Therefore, the period of liability of Bond No. RLB0013522 is now considered terminated and the bond is cancelled without residual liability effective November 3, 2020.

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

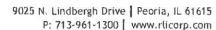
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Bernadette Thomas Regional Supervisor Leasing and Plans cc: Arena Energy, LLC

2103 Research Forest Drive, Suite 400

The Woodlands, TX 77380 Attn: Christopher A. Capsimalis





October 30, 2020

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70123-2394 RECEIVED

November 3, 2020

Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section

RE: Arena Energy, LLC - Replacement Bond Transmittal Letter

Hello:

RLI Insurance Company ("RLI") is submitting the enclosed OCS Pipeline Right-of-Way Grant Bond No. RLB0017137 ("Bond") in the amount of \$300,000 for the Gulf of Mexico ("GOM") area for principal Arena Energy, LLC. This bond is being issued in connection with Arena Energy, LP's conversion to a Delaware limited partnership dated effective September 30, 2020 as referenced in its Certificate of Conversion filed with the Delaware Secretary of State's office on such date. We understand that Arena Energy, LLC (formerly known as Arena Energy, LP) is submitting its business conversion materials to the BOEM, and in conjunction with that business conversion this Bond is intended to replace and substitute for the prior GOM area Bond No. RLB0013522 issued by RLI for principal Arena Energy, LP. RLI requests that prior Bond No. RLB0013522 be cancelled, and will guarantee under this Bond, RLB0017137 all outstanding liabilities that accrued during the period of liability that is terminated pursuant to 30 C.F.R. §556.906(b)(2). Please confirm cancellation of Bond No. RLB0013522 at your earliest convenience.

We previously sent you our letter dated August 17, 2020, with which we enclosed Bond No. RLB0017136 naming San Juan Offshore, LLC, as principal, and requested that upon acceptance of that bond the BOEM cancel Bond No. RLB0013522 naming Arena Energy, LP, as principal. Because San Juan Offshore, LLC, did not ultimately acquire the assets of Arena Energy, LP, RLI hereby withdraws our previous letter dated August 17, 2020, and Bond No. RLB0017136 that was enclosed therewith. Please confirm that Bond No. RLB0017136 is considered withdrawn and without effect at your earliest convenience.

Many thanks,

Gretchen L. Johnigk, Attorney-in-Fact

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

#### Form BOEM-2030

This form dated January 2020 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 RECEIVED

November 3, 2020

Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section

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## OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS) PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY GRANT BOND Bond No.: RLB0017137 Bond Type: Area GOM ☐ Additional Security (Check One) Area/ROW #: Gulf of Mexico Amount: \$300,000.00 The Surety is the Company Guaranteeing Performance. Name of Surety: RLI Insurance Company Mailing Address: 9025 N. Lindbergh Drive Peoria, IL 61615 If a Corporation, Incorporated in the State of: Illinois ; County or Parish of: Peoria 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: Arena Energy, LLC Mailing Address: 2103 Research Forest Drive, Suite 400 The Woodlands, TX 77380 Schedule A, the OCS area and pipeline ROW grant covered by this bond or additional security\*, is comprised of (check one or both): Gulf of Mexico The following OCS area[(see 30 CFR 550.1011(b)]: 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): An Obligation includes any obligation arising from any regulations of the Department of the Interior or any **Definitions** 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 For the purposes conduct pipeline operations on the OCS. of this document: 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

RLI Insurance Company		Arena Energy LLC	
Name of Surety		Name of Principal	
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Signature of Person Executing for Surety	SE GOMEAN	Signature of Person Executing for Principal	508
Gretchen L. Johnigk, Attorney-in-Fact	S. GRATE	Christopher A. Capsimalis, Senior Vice President, Business Development	
Name and title typed or printed	5 0 1	Name and title typed or printed	
9025 N. Lindbergh Drive Business Address	CEP.	2103 Research Forest Drive, Suite 400 Business Address	
Peoria, IL 61615	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	The Woodlands, TX 77380	
Business Address	The It was	Business Address	
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Signed on this 30th day of October	_, 20_20, in t	the State of Illinois, in the preser	ice of:
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Signature of Witness		Signature of Witness	
Michelle Curtale		SCOTT BROEKSTRA	
Name typed or printed		Name typed or printed	
9025 N. Lindbergh Drive		51 MIDDAY SUN PLACE	
Address		Address	
Peoria, IL 61615		SPRING TX 7738Z	
Address		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.

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# POWER OF ATTORNEY

### RLI Insurance Company Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company

9025 N. Lindbergh Dr. Peoria, IL 61615 Phone: 800-645-2402

#### Know All Men by These Presents:

That this Power of Attorney is not valid or in effect unless attached to the bond which it authorizes, but may be detached by the approving officer if desired.

That this Power of Attorney may be effective and given to either or both of **RLI Insurance Company** and **Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company**, required for the applicable bond.

That RLI Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company, each Illinois corporations (as applicable), each authorized and licensed to do business in all states and the District of Columbia do hereby make, constitute and appoint: Jacqueline M. Bockler, Gretchen L. Johnigk, Michelle Madl Peoria , State of Illinois , its true and lawful Agent(s) and Attorney(s) in Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him/her to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety and as its act and deed, all of the following classes of documents to-wit: Indemnity, Surety and Undertakings that may be desired by contract, or may be given in any action or proceeding in any court of law or equity; policies indemnifying employers against loss or damage caused by the misconduct of their employees; official, bail and surety and fidelity bonds. Indemnify in all cases where indemnity may be lawfully given; and with full power and authority to execute consents and waivers to modify or change or extend any bond or document executed for this Company, and to compromise and settle any and all claims or demands made or existing against said Company. RLI Insurance Company and Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company, as applicable, have each further certified that the following is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of each such corporation, and now in force, to-wit: "All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the Corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Corporation by the President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys in Fact or Agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies or undertakings in the name of the Corporation. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the Corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile or other electronic image." IN WITNESS WHEREOF, RLI Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company, as applicable, have caused these presents to be executed by its respective\_ Vice President with its corporate seal affixed this 19th day of February. 2020 **RLI Insurance Company** Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company State of Illinois Vice President Barton W. Davis County of Pcoria CERTIFICATE 2020 , before me, a Notary Public, On this 19th day of February I, the undersigned officer of RLI Insurance Company and/or personally appeared Barton W. Davis, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that he signed the above Power of Attorney as the aforesaid Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the attached Power of Attorney is in full force and effect and is officer of the RLI Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and irrevocable; and furthermore, that the Resolution of the Company as set forth in the Power of Attorney, is now in force. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the RLI Insurance Company and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation. Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company this 30th day of October **RLI Insurance Company** Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company Notary Public Cherie L. Montgomery

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Corporate Secretary