

# **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 022233459 September 29, 2022

BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc. 108 Lakeland Ave. Dover, DE 19901 Attn: Marty Tate

Dear Mr. Tate:

Your letter dated September 28, 2022, submitting replacement Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond No. 022233459, in the amount of \$3,000,000, was received by our office on September 27, 2022. This bond, conditioned to cover the leasehold interest held now or hereafter in the Gulf of Mexico, was executed on September 1, 2022, with BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc. as principal and Liberty Mutual Insurance Company as surety.

This bond replaces Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Bond No. RLB0004923, 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 September 20, 2002, with BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc. as principal, and RLI Insurance Company as surety.

The replacement bond, Bond No. 022233459, conforms to the requirements of the leasing and operating regulations for submerged lands of the Outer Continental Shelf and is considered to be effective September 1, 2022, the date it was executed. The period of liability of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Pipeline Right-of-Way Grant Bond No. RLB0004923 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, BRIDGETTE Digitally signed by BRIDGETTE DUPLANTIS DUPLANTIS Date: 2022.09.29 13:16:58 -05'00'

Bridgette Duplantis, Section Chief Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section Leasing and Plans

cc: Todd Tschantz (<u>todd.tschantz@libertymutual.com</u>) Terri Morrison (<u>terri.morrison@aon.com</u>) Marty Tate (<u>marty.tate@petroleumdeepwater.com</u>) Please direct all responses/queries to Mary Tate, Annette Bisby, and Jennifer Lopez: t: +1 (713) 552-4452; +1 (713) 871-2278; +1 (713) 966-7052

e: marty.tate@petroleumdeepwater.com; annette.bisby@woodside.com; jennifer.lopez@woodside.com

September 28, 2022

U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Gulf of Mexico OCS Region MS: GM 266A 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

**RE: New Bonds** 

To Whom It May Concern:

Woodside Energy

BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc. US FEIN 94-3178680 108 Lakeland Ave Dover, Delaware 19901 United States

BHP Billiton Petroleum (Americas) Inc. US FEIN 48-0681028 108 Lakeland Ave Dover, Delaware 19901 United States

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Please find new bonds for the following Principals BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc. and BHP Billiton Petroleum (Americas) Inc. effective September 1, 2022.

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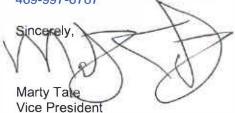
Leasing & Financial

Responsibility Section

Bond Number	Bond Type/Description	Principal	Bond Amount	Surety	Replaces Bond
022233459	OCS Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Bond	BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc.	\$3,000,000.00	Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	RLB0004923
022233461	OCS Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Bond	BHP Billiton Petroleum (Americas) Inc.	\$3,000,000.00	Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	RLB0004991

Should you have any questions regarding the new bonds, please contact one of the following:

Todd Tschantz Liberty Mutual Insurance Company 7900 Windrose Avenue Plano, Texas 75024 todd.tschantz@libertymutual.com 469-997-6787



Terri Morrison Aon 5555 San Felipe, #1500 Houston, Texas 77056 <u>Terri.Morrison@aon.com</u> 832-476-5612 Marty Tate BHP Petroleum Deepwater 1500 Post Oak Blvd Houston, Texas 77056 <u>Marty.tate@petroleumdeepwater.com</u> 713-961-8500

Sent via email to: <u>boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov</u>, terri.morrison@aon.com, todd.tschantz@liberty.com, bruce.young@aon.com, jennifer.lopez@woodside.com, annette.bisby@woodside.com; melanie.morgan@woodside.com

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September 16, 2022

Bureau of Ocean and Energy Management 1201 Elmwood Park Blvd New Orleans, LA 70123-2394 Leasing and Financial Responsibility – Mail Stop GM 266A

RE: Principal: BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc. Surety: RLI Surety Request for Cancellation of Bond

Bond No: RLB0004923 OCS- Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Bond - Areawide Bond Amount: \$3,000,000.00

To: Kathleen Lee, Bond Adjudication Department

The above bond was replaced with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company Bond No. 022233459. Therefore, BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc. hereby requests cancellation of the referenced bond.

Sincerely,

Marty Tate Vice President

Sent via email to: <u>boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov</u>, <u>bruce.young@aon.com</u>, <u>terri.morrison@aon.com</u>, <u>jennifer.lopez@woodside.com</u>, <u>annette.bisby@woodside.com</u>, <u>melanie.morgan@woodside.com</u>



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Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section

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

### Form BOEM-2028

This form dated January 2020 supersedes all previous versions of form BOEM-2028

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

**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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# September 29, 2022

Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section

#### **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Lease No. Gulf of Mexico

Bond No. 022233459

Amount \$ 3,000,000.00

Bond	Type	Areawide	Deve	lopmen	t

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

	The <b>Surety</b> is the entity Guaranteeing Performance.		
	Derty Mutual Insurance Company		
	75 Berkeley Street		
E	Boston, MA 02116		
If a Corporation, Inc	corporated in the State of: MA ; County or Parish of:	Suffolk	
Check here if Surety	v 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 <b>Principal</b> is the Lessee or Designated Operator for Whom the B	ond is Issued.	
	BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc.		
Mailing Address: 1	500 Post Oak Blvd.		
ŀ	louston, Texas 77056		
	ion or leases covered by this bond, is composed of: (Check one and add legation) ion: Gulf of Mexico	al description)	
The following lea			
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	bligations of the Principal during the period of liability of this bond, the Sur	ety also accepts the following	
Obligations: (Check	,		
All Obligations of	ther than the Obligations of the Principal during the period of liability of th f all previous Sureties or guarantors even if the Obligations are not Obligat	ions of the Principal during the period	
of liability of this	bond.	ions of the Finneipal during the period	
	f all previous Sureties or guarantors even if the Obligations are not Obligat	ions of the Principal during the period	
of liability of this	s bond with the following exceptions or limitations (use an attached rider).		
Definitions	A Principal includes an entity holding an interest in the oil & gas lease in	one or more of the following ways: (1)	
	as an approved record title owner of all or a portion of the lease, (2) as an a		
For the purposes of this document:	a portion of the lease, or (3) as a designated operator or designated agent in A Lessee includes an approved record title owner of all or a portion of the		
or this document.	owner of all or a portion of the lease.	lease of all approved operating rights	
	An Obligation includes any obligation arising from any regulations of the		
	Instrument issued, maintained, or approved under the OCS Lands Act (43		
	An <b>Instrument</b> includes individually or collectively any lease, operating a agent, storage agreement, compensatory royalty agreement, transfer of operations of the storage agreement and the storage agreement agreeme		
	easement, whereunder the Principal has the right, privilege, or license to co		
	A Person includes an individual, a public or private entity, a State, a political		
By signing helow.	individuals, corporations, States, or subdivisions of States, or a government a the Principal verifies that the information above is correct and agrees t		
	se indicated on Schedule A, the Principal will fulfill all Obligations f		
1	he Principal were the sole lessee for all leases in Schedule A or for al		
interest within a region designated in Schedule A.			
	the Surety verifies that the information above is correct and agrees to t		
	es hereby absolutely and unconditionally bind itself to the United States of a an Energy Management (BOEM), or such other official designated by the S		
for the performance of all present and future Obligations.			
2. 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			
<ol> <li>liability of this bond.</li> <li>If the Regional Director terminates the period of liability of this bond, the Surety will remain responsible for Obligations that</li> </ol>			
accrued during the period of liability until the Regional Director issues a written cancellation of the bond in favor of the Surety.			
4. If this bond is cancelled, the Regional Director may reinstate this bond 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			
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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.

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	BHP Billiton Petroleum (GOM) Inc.
Name of Surety	Name of Principal
Signature of Person Executing for Surety	Signature of Person Executing for Principal
Terri L Morrison, Attorney-in-Fact	Marty Tate, Vice President
Name and Title (typed or printed)	Name and Title (typed or printed)
Business Address	1500 Post Oak Blvd.
Boston, MA 02116	Houston, TX 77056
Business Address	Business Address
Signed on this 1st day of September,	2022, in the State of Texas, in the presence of:
Signature of Witness	Olland Signature of Witness
Gina A Rodriguez	Mary Adams
Name (typed or printed)	Name (typed or printed)
175 Berkeley Street	1500 Post Oak Blvd
Address	Address
Boston, MA 02116	Houston, TX 77056
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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This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated.

> Liberty Mutual Insurance Company The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company West American Insurance Company

Certificate No: 8205692-022011

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, and West American Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint, Amanda George, Andrea M. Penaloza, Donna L. Williams, Erin M. Dennison, Gina A. Rodriguez, Lisa A. Ward, Lupe Tyler, Michael J. Herrod, Misty Wright, Terri L. Morrison, Vanessa Dominguez

all of the city of state of TX each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to make, Houston execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver, for and on its behalf as surety and as its act and deed, any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations, in pursuance of these presents and shall be as binding upon the Companies as if they have been duly signed by the president and attested by the secretary of the Companies in their own proper persons

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 3rd day of June 2021





The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company West American Insurance Company Bv:

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company

David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary

Not valid for mortgage, note, loan, letter of credit, currency rate, interest rate or residual value guarantees. State of PENNSYLVANIA SS County of MONTGOMERY

On this 3rd day of 2021 before me personally appeared David M. Carey, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of Liberty Mutual Insurance June Company, The Ohio Casualty Company, and West American Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal Teresa Pastella, Notary Public Monteomery County mmission expires March 28, 2025 Commission number 1126044 Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

eresa Pastella, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-laws and Authorizations of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company which resolutions are now in full force and effect reading as follows:

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS: Section 12. Power of Attorney.

For bond and/or Power of Attorney (POA) verification inquiries, please call 610-832-8240 or email HOSUR@libertymutual.com. Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject to such limitation as the Chairman or the President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Corporation. When so executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary. Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the provisions of this article may be revoked at any time by the Board, the Chairman, the President or by the officer or officers granting such power or authority.

#### ARTICLE XIII - Execution of Contracts: Section 5. Surety Bonds and Undertakings.

Any officer of the Company authorized for that purpose in writing by the chairman or the president, and subject to such limitations as the chairman or the president may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surely any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Company. When so executed such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the president and attested by the secretary.

Certificate of Designation - The President of the Company, acting pursuant to the Bylaws of the Company, authorizes David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary to appoint such attorneys-infact as may be necessary to act on behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations.

Authorization - By unanimous consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the Company consents that facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the Company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

I, Renee C. Llewellyn, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company do hereby certify that the original power of attorney of which the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, is in full force and effect and has not been revoked

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this



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By:

Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary

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