

April 13, 2023

**Via Electronic Mail**

United States Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management  
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard  
Mail Stop GM 276A  
New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

Attn: Adjudication Unit

Re: Non-Required Filing  
Assignment of Operating  
Mississippi Canyon 563 **OCS-G 21176**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please find enclosed the following for your further handling and review two (2) copies of that certain, Assignment of Operating Rights Interest effective December 5, 2022 by and between Kosmos Energy Gulf of Mexico Operations, LLC (GOM No. 03362), Ridgewood South Santa Cruz, LLC (GOM No. 03373) and Talos Exploration LLC (GOM No. 03618) as Assignors and QuarterNorth Energy LLC (GOM No. 03672) as Assignee (the "Assignment").

We submit the Assignment to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management for "filing purposes only" and kindly ask that it be recorded in the files maintained for the above referenced lease under the document type described as **Category 7 – Contracts, Agreements, and Conveyances**.

Also enclosed is a pay.gov receipt in the amount of \$34.00 for applicable filing fees.

Thank you for your assistance and please do not hesitate to contact me at 713/969-1237 or [lacy.clark@qenergy.com](mailto:lacy.clark@qenergy.com) if you have any questions regarding this submittal.

Sincerely,  
**QuarterNorth LLC**



Lacy Clark

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ASSIGNMENT OF OPERATING RIGHTS INTEREST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF

**WHEREAS, Kosmos Energy Gulf of Mexico Operations, LLC** a Delaware limited liability company, whose address is 15011 Katy Freeway, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77094, **Ridgewood South Santa Cruz, LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company, whose address is 14 Philips Parkway, Montvale, New Jersey 07645, and **Talos Exploration LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company, whose address is 333 Clay Street, Suite 3300, Houston, Texas 77002, (hereinafter collectively called “Assignors” and individually, an “Assignor”), are the present owners of certain interests in the Oil and Gas Lease of Submerged Lands described as follows:

Oil and Gas Lease of Submerged Lands, bearing serial number OCS-G 21176, dated effective as of July 1, 1999, by and between the United States of America, as Lessor, and Elf Exploration, Inc. as Lessee, covering all of Block 563, Mississippi Canyon, OCS Official Protraction Diagram, NH16-10, INsofar AND ONLY INsofar as said Operating Rights pertain to the depths from below 19,000’ down to 99,999’ TVDSS (as so depth limited, the “Lease”), and;

Assignors desire to hereby SELL, ASSIGN, TRANSFER, CONVEY, AND DELIVER unto **QuarterNorth Energy LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company, whose address is 2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy South, Suite 1200, Houston, Texas 77042, (hereinafter called “Assignee”) a forty-six and one half percent (46.50%) operating rights interest in and to the Lease.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignors, in the respective percentages set out below, do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto Assignee a collective undivided forty-six and one half percent (46.50%) operating rights interest in and to the Lease subject to all the terms and conditions set forth below (the “Assigned Interest”):

Kosmos Energy Gulf of Mexico Operations, LLC	23.250%
Ridgewood South Santa Cruz, LLC	11.625%
Talos Exploration LLC	<u>11.625%</u>
Total:	46.500%

By acceptance of this Assignment, Assignee acknowledges this Assignment, insofar as same burden or affect the Assigned Interest, is made subject to, and Assignee agrees to comply with, all of the terms, conditions, obligations and other provisions contained in all agreements of which the parties have actual or constructive knowledge of, including but not limited to the following:

1. the terms, provisions and conditions of the Lease;
2. The MC 563 Assignment Agreement effective October 10, 2014, by and between BP Exploration & Production, Inc., ("BP"), Noble Energy, Inc., ("Noble"), and Houston Energy Deepwater Ventures I, LLC, ("HEDV I");
3. The MC 563 Assignment of MC 563 Deep Option dated December 5, 2022, by and between BP Exploration & Production Inc., and QuarterNorth Energy LLC.

This Assignment is made without warranty of title, express, implied or statutory, even for return of any consideration paid therefor, provided only that each Assignor, as to the interest in the Lease specified to be assigned by it, warrants that it has not heretofore granted or conveyed to any other party any interest in or lien or encumbrance on such interest of Assignor in the Lease except as described herein. Assignors agree to execute any assignments and such other mutually acceptable documents as may be necessary to effect conveyance to Assignee.

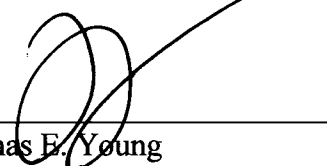
This Assignment may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be valid and binding with respect to the signatories thereto and their interests in the property conveyed hereby, but only upon execution by all signatories of the Assignment or a counterpart hereof.

This Assignment shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors, representatives and assigns of the parties hereto.

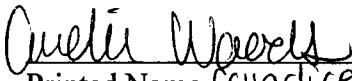

This Assignment shall be effective as of December 5, 2022, subject to the approval hereof by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Department of the Interior.

ASSIGNORS:

Kosmos Energy Gulf of Mexico  
Operations, LLC

  
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Thomas E. Young  
Vice President, Land and Business  
Development and Secretary

WITNESSES:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name: Candice Woods  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name: Erica Vest

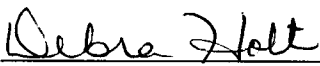
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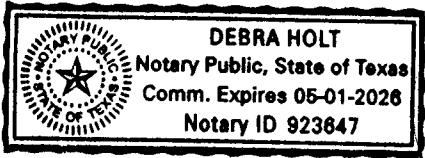
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared **Thomas E. Young**, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument as Vice President, Land and Business Development and Secretary of Kosmos Energy Gulf of Mexico Operations, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for and on behalf of said company, for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My commission expires:

5-1-2024



WITNESSES:

Leah Bramlett  
Printed Name: Leah Bramlett  
Jeff Byrd  
Printed Name: Jeff Byrd

ASSIGNORS:

Ridgewood South Santa Cruz, LLC

Fritz L. Spencer, III  
Fritz L. Spencer, III  
Attorney-in-Fact

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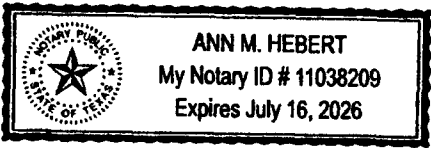
COUNTY OF HARRIS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared **Fritz L. Spencer, III**, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument as Attorney-in-Fact of Ridgewood South Santa Cruz, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for and on behalf of said limited liability company, for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2023.

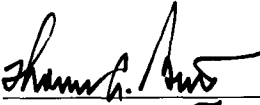
Ann M. Hebert  
Notary Public

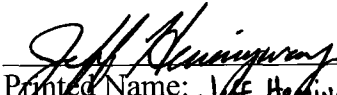
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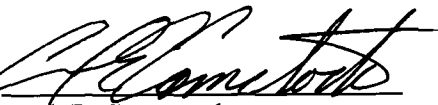
ASSIGNORS:

WITNESSES:

  
Printed Name: Thomas A. Barnett

  
Printed Name: Jeff Heringway

Talos Exploration LLC

  
Carl E. Comstock  
Director Land

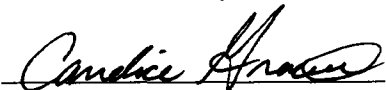
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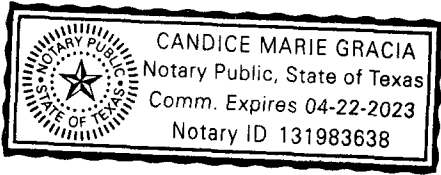
COUNTY OF HARRIS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared **Carl E. Comstock**, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument as Director Land of Talos Energy LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for and on behalf of said company, for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023.

  
Notary Public

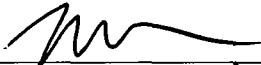
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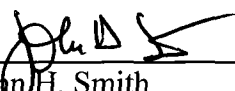



ASSIGNEE:

WITNESSES:

QuarterNorth Energy LLC

  
Printed Name: Nathan Vayler

  
John H. Smith  
Senior Vice President - Business  
Development

  
Printed Name: Lacy Clark

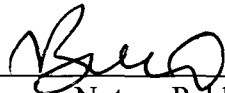
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STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared **John H. Smith**, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument as Senior Vice President – Business Development of QuarterNorth Energy, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for and on behalf of said company, for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

  
Notary Public  
Viviana A. Bravo

My commission expires:

July 1, 2025

