

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: Bond No. SPA150500_001

March 26, 2024

High Point Gas Gathering, L.L.C. c/o Third Coast 1501 McKinney St., Suite 800 Houston, TX 77010 Attn: Nadine Moustafa

Dear Ms. Moustafa:

Your letter dated March 13, 2024, submitting replacement Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Supplemental Bond No. SPA150500_001, in the amount of \$18,755,893, was received by our office on March 21, 2024. This bond, conditioned to cover Lease OCS-G 9743, All of Block 817, Viosca Knoll, was executed on February 27, 2024, with High Point Gas Gathering, L.L.C.as principal and SiriusPoint America Insurance Company as surety.

This bond replaces Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Supplemental Bond No. SUR0037735, in the amount of \$20,109,787. This bond, conditioned to cover Lease OCS-G 9743, all of Block 817, Viosca Knoll, was executed on June 26, 2017, with High Point Gas Gathering, L.L.C. as principal, and Argonaut Insurance Company as surety.

Attached to and forming part of Bond No. SUR0037735, is this decrease rider, executed on May 17, 2023, which decreases the bond amount by \$1,353,894, for a total penal sum of \$18,755,893. The rider is effective May 17, 2023 and has been attached to and now forms a part of the original bond.

The replacement bond, Bond No. SPA150500_001, conforms to the requirements of the leasing and operating regulations for submerged lands of the Outer Continental Shelf and is considered to be effective February 27, 2024, the date it was executed. The period of liability of Bond No. SUR0037735 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 <u>boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov</u>.



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

cc: Natalie Karl (<u>Nkarl@third-coast.com</u>) Dylan Young (<u>Dylan.Young@mcgriff.com</u>)

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Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management ATTN: Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section 1201 Elmwood Park Blvd.; Mail Stop GM 266A New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

Re: Replacement Bond SPA150500_001 and Cancellation Request for Bond SUR0037735

Dear Sir or Madam:

We hereby request the cancellation of Argonaut Insurance Company bond SUR0037735 which has been replaced by Siriuspoint America Insurance Company bond SPA150500 001.

<u>Original Bond</u> Principal: High Point Gas Gathering, L.L.C. Bond No. SUR0037735 Bond Amount: \$18,755,893.00 Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's Or Operator's Supplemental Bond OCS Lease/RUE/ROW No.: OCS-G09743

Replacement Bond Principal: High Point Gas Gathering, L.L.C. Surety: Siriuspoint America Insurance Company Bond No. SPA150500_001 Bond Amount: \$18,755,893.00 Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's Or Operator's Supplemental Bond OCS Lease/RUE/ROW No.: OCS-G09743

As this request is accepted and processed, please provide notification via email to the following parties:

Natalie Karl <u>Nkarl@third-coast.com</u> Dylan Young, McGriff Insurance Services, LLC: <u>Dylan.Young@mcgriff.com</u>

Thank you for your consideration, and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Natalie Karl at (713) 380-4951 or NKarl@third-coast.com.

Sincerely,

Nadine Moustafa Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

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

Form BOEM-2028A

This form dated March 2023 supersedes all previous versions of form BOEM-2028A

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

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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.

	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR	
Bond No. SPA1	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management 150500_001 OCS Lease/RUE/ROW No. OC	CS-G09743
Bond Type Suppl		5,893.00
0	OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS) MINERAL LESSEE'S OR C SUPPLEMENTAL BOND	
	The Surety is the entity Guaranteeing Performance.	
	Siriuspoint America Insurance Company	
-	1 World Trade Ctr., 285 Fulton St., 47th Fl, Ste. 47J	
	New York, NY 10007	
If a Corporation, I	Incorporated in the State of: <u>New York</u> ; County or Parish of: <u>N</u>	ew York County
Check here if Sure	rety is certified by U.S. Treasury as an acceptable surety on Federal Bonds and listed in the	current U.S. Treasury Circular No. 570.
Name of Principal:	The Principal is the Lessee or Designated Operator for Whom the Bond I: High Point Gas Gathering, L.L.C.	l is Issued.
	1501 McKinney Street, Suite 800, Houston, TX 77010	
Schedule A, the lea	ease/RUE/ROW covered by this bond, is composed of: (add legal description) f additional information is on attached sheet. se/RUE/ROW: Lease OCS-G 9743, All of Block 817, Viosca Knoll Area	
See attached le	legal description in Schedule A.	
Obligations: (Chec No Obligations All Obligations liability of this bon All Obligations	s other than the Obligations of the Principal during the period of liability of this b s of all previous Sureties or guarantors even if the Obligations are not Obligations	ond. s of the Principal during the period of
Definitions For the purposes of this document:	A Principal includes an entity holding an interest in the oil & gas lease in one as an approved record title owner of all or a portion of the lease, (2) as an appr a portion of the lease, or (3) as a designated operator or designated agent in all	roved operating rights owner of all or or a portion of the lease. se or an approved operating rights partment of the Interior or any .C. 1331 <u>et seq</u> .). ement, designation of operator or ng rights, permit, license, or act operations on the OCS. division of a State, any association of
	y, the Principal verifies that the information above is correct and agrees to th	e following:
	agent on behalf of all lessees, operating rights owners, and operators will fulfill al xtent as though the Principal were the sole lessee for the lease/RUE/ROW in Scho	
 The Surety doe Bureau of Oce for the paymer The Surety will 	by , the Surety verifies that the information above is correct and agrees to the f oes hereby absolutely and unconditionally bind itself to the United States of Ame rean Energy Management (BOEM), or such other official designated by the Secre ent of all of the cost of the plugging and abandonment Obligations. Fill be responsible for all Obligations of the Principal in existence at the time this hat accrue after that date and until all Obligations are met or until the Regional D is bond.	rica acting through and by the tary of the Interior for this purpose, document becomes effective and all
3. If the Regional Director terminates the period of liability of this bond, 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 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		

Obligation 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 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.
- The Surety agrees to be bound under this bond as to the interests in any Instrument retained by the Principal when BOEM 7. 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.
- The Surety hereby waives any defenses to liability on this bond based on an unauthorized Principal signature. 13

Siriuspoint America Insurance Company

Name of Surety

Signature of Person Executing for Surety

Name and Title (typed or printed) 1 World Trade Čtr., 285 Fulton St. 47th FI, Ste. 47J

New York, NY 10007

High Point Gas Gathering, L.L.C. Name of Principal

Signature of Person Executing for Principal Nadine Moustafa, Vice President General Counsel & Corporate Secretary Vickie Lacy, Attorney-in-Fact Name and Title (typed or printed) 1501 McKinney Street Suite 800 **Business Address Business Address** Houston, TX 77010 Business Address **Business Address** ₂₀24 _{day of} February Signed on this 27th Texas in the State of in the presence of: Signature of Witness Signature of Witness Namesia Anderson, Witness Donna Rein Name (typed or printed) Name (typed or printed) 10100 Katy Freeway, Sui .1501 McKinney Street, Suite 800 Address Address mHouston, TX 77010 Houston, TX 77043 -979 Address Address 0 Note: The person executing for the Supers pust 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.

BOEM-2028A (March 2023)

Previous Editions are Obsolete.

Bond No. SPA150500_001

Schedule A

The description for Lease G09743 is as follows:

All of Block 817, Viosca Knoll, INSOFAR and ONLY AS the lease covers and pertains from the seafloor to the stratigraphic equivalent of a log depth of 4,450 feet as measured in the Viosca Knoll 817 Sohio #1 Well.

POWER OF ATTORNEY SIRIUSPOINT AMERICA INSURANCE COMPANY NEW YORK

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That SiriusPoint America Insurance Company, a New York corporation, having its principal office in the City of New York, pursuant to the following Resolution, which was adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the President, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary or Assistant Secretary is hereby authorized to execute Powers of Attorney appointing as attorneys-in-fact selected employees of certain surety companies who shall have the power for and on behalf of the Company to execute and affix the seal of the Company to surety contracts as co-surety.

Does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint:

} ss.

Ashley Koletar, Heather Noles, Joseph R. Aulbert, Marc W. Boots, Maria D. Zuniga, Richard Covington, Ryan Varela, Vickie Lacy, Dylan Young, Stephanic Moore Harold, Melanic Salinas

Its true and lawful attorney-in-fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf, and as its act and deed; any and all bonds, contracts, agreements of indemnity, and other undertakings in suretyship (NOT INCLUDING bonds without a fixed penalty or financial guarantee bonds) and to bind the Company thereby as fully and to the same extent as if same were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Company, provided, however, that the penal sum of any one such instrument executed hereunder shall not exceed the sum of:

\$50,000,000 single bond limit

All acts of said attorneys-in-fact pursuant to the authorities herein given are hereby ratified and confirmed. The executive officers listed above in the Resolution may from time to time and at any time remove any such appointee and revoke the power given to him or her.

The execution of such bonds or undertakings in pursuance of these presents, within one year of the date of issue of these presents, shall be binding upon said Company, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company at its office in New York, New York, in their own proper persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, SiriusPoint America Insurance Company has caused its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, and these presents to be signed by its Secretary this 17th day of August in the year 2023.

SiriusPoint America Insurance Company

By: W/el Melissa J. Ralph Secretary

State of New Jersey }

County of Monmouth }

On this 17th day of August 2023, before me, a Notary Public of the State of New Jersey in and for the County of Monmouth duly commissioned and qualified, came Melissa J. Ralph, Secretary, of SiriusPoint America Insurance Company, to me personally known to be the individual and officer described in, and who executed the preceding instrument, and acknowledged the execution of the same, and, being by me duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that she is the officer of the Company aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the preceding instrument as the corporate seal of said Company, and the said corporate seal and her signature as officer were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the 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.

TNAEJA E LEWIS-SCOTT NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 31, 2028 COMMISSION: #50208541

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State of New Jersey County of Monmouth

I, Melissa J. Ralph, Secretary, of SiriusPoint America Insurance Company, a New York corporation, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true correct copy of Power of Attorney, is still in force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Company this 27th day of February, 2024,





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