



# 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. GM210561

March 21, 2024

Talos Oil and Gas LLC  
c/o McGriff  
10100 Katy Freeway, Suite 400  
Houston, TX 77043  
Attn: Ashley Koletar

Dear Ms. Koletar:

Your letter dated March 19, 2024, submitting replacement Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond No. GM210561, in the amount of \$3,000,000, was received by our office on that same date. This bond, conditioned to cover the principal's leasehold interest held now or hereafter in the Gulf of Mexico, was executed on February 21, 2024, with Talos Oil and Gas LLC as principal and Great Midwest Insurance Company as surety.

This bond replaces Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond No. SBP150014\_024, 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 November 15, 2022, with Talos Oil and Gas, LLC as principal, and Pennsylvania Insurance Company as surety.

The replacement bond, Bond No. GM210561, 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 21, 2024, the date it was executed. The period of liability of Bond No. SBP150014\_024 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](mailto:boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov).

Sincerely,

**BRIDGETTE  
DUPLANTIS**

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

cc: Patricia Rodriguez ([Patricia.Rodriguez@talosenergy.com](mailto:Patricia.Rodriguez@talosenergy.com))  
Ashley Koletar ([akoletar@mcgriff.com](mailto:akoletar@mcgriff.com))

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

**Form BOEM-2028**

**This form dated March 2023 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

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***Leasing & Financial  
Responsibility Section***

**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.

**Cancellation Request**

**Principal: Talos ERT LLC**

**Bond No. SPA150014\_001**

**Bond Amount: \$9,927,409.00**

**Supplemental Lease Bond G 26302; GC 238**

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Talos, please find enclosed four fully executed "like for like" Great Midwest Insurance Company Replacement Bonds outlined above.

Upon acceptance of the four replacement bonds, we hereby request the release of the four current Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company bonds referenced above.

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

Patricia Rodriguez, Talos Energy: [Patricia.Rodriguez@talosenergy.com](mailto:Patricia.Rodriguez@talosenergy.com)

Ashley Koletar, McGriff Insurance Services, Inc.: [akoletar@mcgriff.com](mailto:akoletar@mcgriff.com)

Thank you for your consideration, and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ashley Koletar at (713) 906-3013 or by the above stated email address.

Sincerely,

*Ashley Koletar*

Ashley Koletar  
Attorney-In-Fact



March 19, 2024

*via email transmission ([boemGOMRfinancialassurance@boem.gov](mailto:boemGOMRfinancialassurance@boem.gov))*

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

**Re: Acceptance of Replacement Bond**  
**Principal: Talos Oil and Gas LLC**  
**Bond No. GM210562**  
**Bond Amount: \$300,000.00**  
**GOM Area ROW Bond**

**Cancellation Request**  
**Principal: Talos Oil and Gas LLC**  
**Bond No. SBP150014\_025**  
**Bond Amount: \$300,000.00**  
**GOM Area ROW Bond**

**Acceptance of Replacement Bond**  
**Principal: Talos Oil and Gas LLC**  
**Bond No. GM210561**  
**Bond Amount: \$3,000,000.00**  
**Areawide GOM Operator's Bond**

**Cancellation Request**  
**Principal: Talos Oil and Gas LLC**  
**Bond No. SBP150014\_024**  
**Bond Amount: \$3,000,000.00**  
**Areawide GOM Operator's Bond**

**Acceptance of Replacement Bond**  
**Principal: Talos Petroleum LLC**  
**Bond No. GM210560**  
**Bond Amount: \$300,000.00**  
**GOM Area ROW Bond**

**Cancellation Request**  
**Principal: Talos Petroleum LLC**  
**Bond No. SBP150014\_020**  
**Bond Amount: \$300,000.00**  
**GOM Area ROW Bond**

**Acceptance of Replacement Bond**  
**Principal: Talos ERT LLC**  
**Bond No. GM210559**  
**Bond Amount: \$9,927,409.00**  
**Supplemental Lease Bond G 26302; GC 238**

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***Leasing & Financial  
Responsibility Section***



**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management**

Bond No. GM210561

Lease No. \_\_\_\_\_

Bond Type Areawide

Amount \$ 3,000,000.00

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

The **Surety** is the entity Guaranteeing Performance.

Name of Surety: Great Midwest Insurance Company

Mailing Address: 800 Gessner, Suite 600  
Houston, TX 77024

If a Corporation, Incorporated in the State of: Texas ; County or Parish of: Harris

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 Lessee or Designated Operator for Whom the Bond is Issued.

Name of Principal: Talos Oil and Gas LLC

Mailing Address: 333 Clay Street, Suite 3300  
Houston, TX 77002

Schedule A, the region or leases covered by this bond, is composed of: (Check one and add legal description)

The following region: Gulf of Mexico

The following lease(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if additional lease information is continued on attached sheet.

In addition to the Obligations of the Principal during the period of liability of this bond, 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.
- 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.
- 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 with the following exceptions or limitations (use an attached rider).

**Definitions**

For the purposes of this document:

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 approved operating rights owner of all or a portion of the lease, or (3) as a designated operator or designated agent in all or a portion of the lease.

A **Lessee** includes an approved record title owner of all or a portion of the lease or an approved operating rights owner of all or a portion of the lease.

An **Obligation** includes any obligation arising from any regulations of the Department of the Interior or any Instrument issued, maintained, or approved under the OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*).

An **Instrument** includes individually or collectively any lease, operating agreement, designation of operator or agent, storage agreement, compensatory royalty agreement, transfer of operating rights, permit, license, or easement, whereunder the Principal has the right, privilege, or license to conduct operations on the OCS.

A **Person** includes an individual, a public or private entity, 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:**

Unless as otherwise indicated on Schedule A, the Principal will fulfill all Obligations for the entire leasehold and to the same extent as though the Principal were the sole lessee for all leases in Schedule A or for all leases for which the Principal has an interest within a region 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 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.
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 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 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.

Great Midwest Insurance Company

Talos Oil and Gas LLC

Name of Surety

Name of Principal

*Melanie Salinas*

*Sergio L. Maiworm, Jr.*

Signature of Person Executing for Surety

Signature of Person Executing for Principal

Melanie Salinas, Attorney-In-Fact

Sergio L. Maiworm, Jr., Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice President

Name and Title (typed or printed)

Name and Title (typed or printed)

800 Gessner, Suite 600

333 Clay Street, Suite 3300

Business Address

Business Address

Houston, TX 77024

Houston, TX 77002

Business Address

Business Address



Signed on this 21st day of February, 2024, in the State of Texas, in the presence of:

*Heather Noles*

*Patricia C Rodriguez*

Signature of Witness

Signature of Witness

Heather Noles, Witness

Patricia C Rodriguez

Name (typed or printed)

Name (typed or printed)

10100 Katy Freeway, Suite 400

333 Clay Street, Suite 3300

Address

Address

Houston, TX 77043

Houston, TX 77002

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.



POWER OF ATTORNEY

Great Midwest Insurance Company

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY, a Texas Corporation, with its principal office in Houston, TX, does hereby constitute and appoint:

Marc W. Boots, Maria D. Zuniga, Vickie Lacy, Joseph R. Aulbert, Ashley Koletar, Richard Covington, Ryan Varela, Heather Noles, Melanie Salinas

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact to make, execute, seal and deliver for, and on its behalf as surety, any and all bonds, undertakings or other writings obligatory in nature of a bond.

This authority is made under and by the authority of a resolution which was passed by the Board of Directors of GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY, on the 1st day of October, 2018 as follows:

Resolved, that the President, or any officer, be and hereby is, authorized to appoint and empower any representative of the Company or other person or persons as Attorney-In-Fact to execute on behalf of the Company any bonds, undertakings, policies, contracts of indemnity or other writings obligatory in nature of a bond not to exceed Twenty-Five Million dollars (\$25,000,000.00), which the Company might execute through its duly elected officers, and affix the seal of the Company thereto.

Resolved, that the signature of the President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted, and the signature of the Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any such power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY, has caused this instrument to be signed by its President, and its Corporate Seal to be affixed this 11th day of February, 2021.

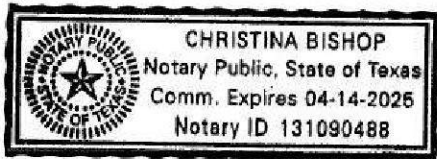


GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY

BY [Signature] Mark W. Haushill President

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On this 11th day of February, 2021, before me, personally came Mark W. Haushill to me known, who being duly sworn, did depose and say that he is the President of GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY, the corporation described in and which executed the above instrument; that he executed said instrument on behalf of the corporation by authority of his office under the By-laws of said corporation.



BY [Signature] Christina Bishop Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY, A Texas Insurance Company, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the original Power of Attorney of which the foregoing is a true and correct copy, is in full force and effect and has not been revoked and the resolutions as set forth are now in force.

Signed and Sealed at Houston, TX this 21st Day of February, 2024



BY [Signature] Leslie K. Shaunty Secretary

WARNING: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files and application for insurance of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.