

### **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. GM210573 March 21, 2024

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

Dear Ms. Koletar:

Your letter dated March 18, 2024, submitting replacement Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond No. GM210573, 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 March 14, 2024, with Talos Resources 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. 7901022789, 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 August 4, 2020, with Talos Resources LLC as principal, and Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company as surety.

The replacement bond, Bond No. GM210573, conforms to the requirements of the leasing and operating regulations for submerged lands of the Outer Continental Shelf and is considered to be effective March 14, 2024, the date it was executed. The period of liability of Bond No. 7901022789 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: 2024.03.21 11:55:53

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Bridgette Duplantis, Section Chief Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section Leasing and Plans cc: Patricia Rodriguez (<u>Patricia.Rodriguez@talosenergy.com</u>)
Ashley Koletar (<u>akoletar@mcgriff.com</u>)

# 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 RECEIVED

OMB Control No.: 1010-0006

Expiration Date: 3/31/2026

March 18, 2024

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.



March 18, 2024

#### via email transmission (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 Third Coast LLC** 

Bond No. GM210575 Bond Amount: \$300,000.00 GOM Area ROW Bond

**Cancellation Request** 

Principal: Talos Third Coast LLC

Bond No. 7901022777 Bond Amount: \$300,000.00 GOM Area ROW Bond

**Acceptance of Replacement Bond** 

**Principal: Talos Third Coast LLC** 

Bond No. GM210574

Bond Amount: \$3,000,000.00 Areawide GOM Operator's Bond

**Cancellation Request** 

Principal: Talos Third Coast LLC

Bond No. 7901022776

Bond Amount: \$3,000,000.00 Areawide GOM Operator's Bond

**Acceptance of Replacement Bond** 

**Principal: Talos Resources LLC** 

Bond No. GM210573

Bond Amount: \$3,000,000.00 Areawide GOM Operator's Bond

**Cancellation Request** 

**Principal: Talos Resources LLC** 

Bond No. 7901022789

Bond Amount: \$3,000,000.00 Areawide GOM Operator's Bond

**Acceptance of Replacement Bond** 

**Principal: Talos Resources LLC** 

Bond No. GM210572

Bond Amount: \$300,000.00

**GOM Area ROW Bond** 

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March 18, 2024

Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section

#### **Cancellation Request**

Principal: Talos Resources LLC Bond No. 7901022788 Bond Amount: \$300,000.00 GOM Area ROW Bond

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: <u>Patricia.Rodriguez@talosenergy.com</u>
Ashley Koletar, McGriff Insurance Services, Inc.: <u>akoletar@mcgriff.com</u>

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

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

**Bureau of Ocean Energy Management** 

Bond No.	GM210573	Lease No. Gulf of Mexico
Bond Type	<sub>e</sub> Development	Amount \$ 3,000,000.00

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

OUTER	CONTINENTAL SH	IELF (OCS) WIINER	AL LESSEE S OR O	PERATOR S BOND			
200700			aranteeing Performance.				
Name of Surety: Gre	eat Midwest Insurance	Company	<u> </u>				
Mailing Address: 80	00 Gessner, Suite 600						
<u>H</u>	ouston, TX 77024						
If a Corporation, Inco	orporated in the State of:	Texas	; County or Parish of:	Harris			
Check here if Surety	is certified by U.S. Treasury	y as an acceptable surety on	Federal Bonds and listed in	the current U.S. Treasury Circular No. 570.			
		e Lessee or Designated	Operator for Whom the B	ond is Issued.			
Name of Principal:	Talos Resources LLC						
Mailing Address: 33	33 Clay Street, Suite 33	300		_			
\$100 miles	ouston, TX 77002						
Schedule A, the region	on or leases covered by th	nis bond, is composed of	Check one and add lega	al description)			
☑The following region	on: Gulf of Mexico		ted Annual				
The following lease							
	Check here if ac	dditional lease informati	on is continued on attache	ed sheet.			
		during the period of liab	ility of this bond, the Sur	ety also accepts the following			
Obligations: (Check		of the Principal during th	ne period of liability of the	is hand			
				ions 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	A Principal includes an	entity holding an interes	t in the oil & gas lease in	one or more of the following ways: (1)			
				approved operating rights owner of all or			
				all or a portion of the lease. lease or an approved operating rights			
Secondary comments and secondary control of the secondary control of th	owner of all or a portion		of all of a portion of the	lease of an approved operating rights			
	An <b>Obligation</b> includes a	any obligation arising fro		Department of the Interior or any			
			the OCS Lands Act (43				
				greement, designation of operator or rating rights, permit, license, or			
				onduct operations on the OCS.			
				subdivision of a State, any association of			
			States, or a government ag				
			e is correct and agrees to				
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.							
			correct and agrees to th	he following:			
				America acting through and by the			

- 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	MIST MSURANCE	Talos Resources LLC	
Name of Surety Signature of Person Executing for Surety	STATE CORPORATION	Name of Principal  Signature of Person Executing for Principal	
Melanie Salinas, Attorney-In-Fact		Sergio L. Maiworm, Jr., Cheif Financial Officer and	
Name and Title (typed or printed)		Senior Vice President Name and Title (typed or printed)	
800 Gessner, Suite 600 Business Address		333 Clay Street, Suite 3300 Business Address	
Houston, TX 77024		Houston, TX 77002	
Business Address		Business Address	\$ 
Signed on this 14th day of March	, 20_24	, in the State of Texas, in the pres	sence of:
Olivaril 100		Patrice (1/2	
Signature of Witness		Signature of Witness	
Heather Noles, Witness		Patricia Rodriguez, Witness	
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	ust attach a ce	Address	g 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. Any said execution of such documents by an Attorney-In-Fact shall be as binding upon the Company as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company. Any Attorney-In-Fact, so appointed, may be removed in the Company's sole discretion and the authority so granted may be revoked as specified in the Power of Attorney.

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. Any such power so executed and sealed and certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond of undertaking to which it is attached, continue to 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.

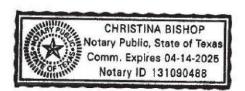


**GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY** 

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.



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 <u>14th</u> Day of March , 20<u>24</u>

CORPORATE SEAL

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.