



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. K4039865A

July 15, 2025

KNOC Eagle Ford Corporation
c/o Lockton Companies
3657 Briarpark Drive #700
Houston, TX 77042
Attn: Theresa D. Kelly

Dear Ms. Kelly:

Your letter dated July 14, 2025, requesting cancellation of Multi-Obligee Supplemental Bond No. K4039865A in the amount of \$3,260,000, was received by our office on that same date. This bond, conditioned to cover Lease OCS-G 13606, all of Block 379, Vermilion Area, with KNOC Eagle Ford Corporation (03695) as the principal, and Federal Insurance Company as Surety. The Principal and Surety are held and firmly bound unto the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) and ANKOR E&P Holdings Corporation (02981) as Co-Obligees.

Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement has assessed the decommissioning liability for OCS-G 13606 to be \$0. Therefore, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management has no objection to cancellation of Bond No. K4039865A, which is considered cancelled without residual liability effective July 15, 2025, the date of final concurrence with the cancellation.

Should you need further assistance, please contact Kathleen Lee at (504) 736-5774 or boemgulffinancialassurance@boem.gov.

Sincerely,

BERNADETTE THOMAS Digitally signed by
BERNADETTE THOMAS
Date: 2025.07.15
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Bernadette Thomas
Regional Supervisor
Leasing and Plans

cc: Dedee Kelly (dkelly@lockton.com)
Pramod Venkatesh (Pramod. venkatesh@chubb.com)
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July 14, 2025

Leasing & Financial
Responsibility Section

Dedee Kelly
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BY EMAIL

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management - Gulf of Mexico OCS Region
Attn: Kathleen Lee, Program Analyst
1201 Elmwood Park Blvd
New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394

RE: **Principal:** KNOC Eagle Ford Corporation – Company No. 3695
Description: \$3,260,000 Multi-Obligee Supplemental Bond
Area: Vermilion Area, All of Block 379, OCS-G 13606)
Bond No.: K4039865A
Surety: Federal Insurance Company

Dear Kathleen:


We ask that you provide us with your letter confirming the full cancellation of the referenced bond.

We ask that you forward your cancellation letter directly to the surety, principal and broker as noted below.

Lockton Companies Dedee Kelly 3657 Briarpark Drive #700 Houston, TX 77042 (713) 458-5238 dkelly@lockton.com	Pramod Venkatesh Chubb Group 525 W. Monroe St #1200 Chicago, IL 60661 (773) 339-5199 Pramod.venkatesh@chubb.com	Ho Lim KNOC Eagle Ford Corp 5599 San Felipe #725 Houston, TX 77056 (713) 552-9304 h.lim@knocef.com
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Should you require any adjustments to this letter or need anything additional, please feel free to contact me directly.

Kindest Regards,


Teresa D. Kelly
Vice President; Account Executive-Surety
Attorney-in-Fact, Federal Insurance Company





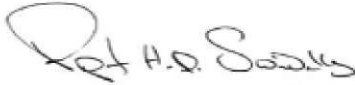
Power of Attorney

Federal Insurance Company | Vigilant Insurance Company | Pacific Indemnity Company
Westchester Fire Insurance Company | ACE American Insurance Company

Know All by These Presents, that **FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY**, an Indiana corporation, **VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY**, a New York corporation, **PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY**, a Wisconsin corporation, **WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** and **ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY** corporations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do each hereby constitute and appoint **Rachel Richardson of Dallas, Texas; Robert F. Bobo, Aaron P. Clark, Daisy Greathouse, Tami Jones, Teresa D. Kelly, Timothy F. Kelly, Erica Kneitz, Laura Kneitz, Kala Lee, Florence McClellan, Nick Patetta and Craig C. Payne of Houston, Texas; Todd Trcka of San Antonio, Texas**

each as their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact to execute under such designation in their names and to affix their corporate seals to and deliver for and on their behalf as surety thereon or otherwise, bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof (other than bail bonds) given or executed in the course of business, and any instruments amending or altering the same, and consents to the modification or alteration of any instrument referred to in said bonds or obligations.

In Witness Whereof, said **FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** and **ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY** have each executed and attested these presents and affixed their corporate seals on this **28th day of March, 2024**.



Rupert HD Swindells, Assistant Secretary



Warren Eichhorn, Vice President



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
County of Hunterdon

SS.

On this **28th day of March, 2024** before me, a Notary Public of New Jersey, personally came **Rupert HD Swindells** and **Warren Eichhorn**, to me known to be Assistant Secretary and Vice President, respectively, of **FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** and **ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY**, the companies which executed the foregoing Power of Attorney, and the said **Rupert HD Swindells** and **Warren Eichhorn**, being by me duly sworn, severally and each for himself did depose and say that they are Assistant Secretary and Vice President, respectively, of **FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** and **ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY** and know the corporate seals thereof, that the seals affixed to the foregoing Power of Attorney are such corporate seals and were thereto affixed by authority of said Companies; and that their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed by like authority.

Notarial Seal



Albert Contursi
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
No 50202369
Commission Expires August 22, 2027


Notary Public

CERTIFICATION

Resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of **FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, and PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY** on August 30, 2016; **WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** on December 11, 2006; and **ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY** on March 20, 2009:

"RESOLVED, that the following authorizations relate to the execution, for and on behalf of the Company, of bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts and other written commitments of the Company entered into in the ordinary course of business (each a "Written Commitment"):

- (1) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized to execute any Written Commitment for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise.
- (2) Each duly appointed attorney-in-fact of the Company is hereby authorized to execute any Written Commitment for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise, to the extent that such action is authorized by the grant of powers provided for in such person's written appointment as such attorney-in-fact.
- (3) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Company, to appoint in writing any person the attorney-in-fact of the Company with full power and authority to execute, for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise, such Written Commitments of the Company as may be specified in such written appointment, which specification may be by general type or class of Written Commitments or by specification of one or more particular Written Commitments.
- (4) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Company, to delegate in writing to any other officer of the Company the authority to execute, for and on behalf of the Company, under the Company's seal or otherwise, such Written Commitments of the Company as are specified in such written delegation, which specification may be by general type or class of Written Commitments or by specification of one or more particular Written Commitments.
- (5) The signature of any officer or other person executing any Written Commitment or appointment or delegation pursuant to this Resolution, and the seal of the Company, may be affixed by facsimile on such Written Commitment or written appointment or delegation.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing Resolution shall not be deemed to be an exclusive statement of the powers and authority of officers, employees and other persons to act for and on behalf of the Company, and such Resolution shall not limit or otherwise affect the exercise of any such power or authority otherwise validly granted or vested."

I, **Rupert HD Swindells**, Assistant Secretary of **FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** and **ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY** (the "Companies") do hereby certify that

- (i) the foregoing Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies are true, correct and in full force and effect,
- (ii) the foregoing Power of Attorney is true, correct and in full force and effect.

Given under my hand and seals of said Companies at Whitehouse Station, NJ, this **July 14, 2025**.




Rupert HD Swindells, Assistant Secretary

IN THE EVENT YOU WISH TO VERIFY THE AUTHENTICITY OF THIS BOND OR NOTIFY US OF ANY OTHER MATTER, PLEASE CONTACT US AT:
Telephone (908) 903- 3493 Fax (908) 903- 3656 e-mail: surety@chubb.com