Know all men by these presents, That we,

of the county of , in the State of ,
as principal, and , of the county of ,
in the State of , as surety, are held and firmly bound unto the United States of America in the sum of ($ ) lawful money of the United States, for which payment, well and truly to be made, we, by these presents, bind ourselves, and each of us, and each of our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, upon the following conditions, viz;

If the amount of this bond is $75,000, or if it is raised by an attached rider to that amount, coverage shall extend to all the principal's holdings involving deposits in the United States, including Alaska, under the Act or Acts cited in Schedule A. Furthermore, such coverage is confined to the holdings under the Public Domain Leasing Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 437) as amended.

If the amount of this bond is $25,000, its coverage extends only to the principal's holdings involving deposits in the State named in Schedule A. Furthermore, such coverage is confined to the holdings under the Public Domain Leasing Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 437) as amended.

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The conditions of the foregoing obligations are such that, whereas the said principal, in one or more of the following ways, has an interest in mineral leases issued under the Act or Acts cited in Schedule A of this bond:

1. as lessee of such leases;
2. as the approved holder of operating rights in all or part of the lands covered by such leases under operating agreements with the lessees; and
3. as designated operator or agent under such leases pending approval of an assignment or operating agreement; and

WHEREAS the principal is authorized to drill for, mine, extract, remove, and dispose of mineral deposits in or under the lands covered by the leases, operating agreements or designations, and is obligated to comply with certain covenants and agreements set forth in such instruments; and

WHEREAS the principal agrees that the coverage of this bond, in addition to the present holdings of the principal shall extend to and include:

1. Any mineral lease hereafter issued to, or acquired by, the principal affecting mineral deposits in the State or States now named in Schedule A, or later named in a rider, the coverage to be confined in the principal's holdings under the Act or Acts cited at the head of the column in which the name(s) of the State or States appears and to become effective immediately upon such issuance or upon departmental approval of a transfer in favor of the principal.
2. Any operating agreement hereafter entered into or acquired by the principal, affecting mineral deposits in the States now named in Schedule A, or later named in a rider, relating to mineral leases issued under the Act or Acts cited in Schedule A at the head of the column in which the name of the State is placed. The coverage shall become effective immediately upon departmental approval of the agreement or of a transfer of an operating agreement to the principal.

3. Any designation subsequent hereto of the principal as operator or agent of a lessee under a lease issued pursuant to an Act or Acts cited in Schedule A and covering lands in a State named in Schedule A, either presently or by rider. This coverage shall become effective immediately upon the filing of such a designation under a lease.

4. Any extension of a lease covered by this bond, such coverage to continue without any interruption due to the expiration of the term set forth in the lease.

WHEREAS the principal hereby agrees that notwithstanding the termination of any lease or leases, operating agreements or designations as operator or agent, covered by this bond, whether the termination is by operation of law or otherwise, the bond shall remain in full force and effect as to any remaining leases, operating agreements, or designations covered by the bond; and

WHEREAS the principal as to any lease or part of a lease for lands as to which he has been designated as operator or agent, or approved as operator, in consideration of being permitted to furnish this bond in lieu of the lessees, agrees and by these presents does hereby bind himself to fulfill, on behalf of each lessee, all the obligations of each such lease for the entire leasehold in the same manner and to the same extent as though he were the lessee; and

WHEREAS the principal agrees that notwithstanding any use of the security pledged herewith for the purpose for which it is pledged, the bond shall remain in full force and effect in the sum above set forth and that he will, whenever so required by the lessor, deposit additional security to bring the security up to the full amount; and

WHEREAS the principal agrees that the neglect or forbearance of said lessor in enforcing, as against the lessees of such lessor, the payment of rentals or royalties or the performance of any other covenant, condition, or agreement of the leases, shall not, in any way, release the principal from any liability under this bond; and

WHEREAS the principal agrees that in the event of any default under the leases, the lessor may commence and prosecute any claim, suit, action, or other proceeding against the principal without the necessity of joining the lessees.

NOW, THEREFORE, If said principal shall in all respects faithfully comply with all of the provisions of the leases referred to hereinbefore, then the above obligations are to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Signed on this day of , 19 , in the presence of:

(Signature of Principal)

(Address of Principal, include zip code)

(SEAL)

(Signature of Surety)

(Business Address of Surety, include zip code)

If this bond is executed by a corporation, it must bear the seal of such corporation.