



# 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: MS GM 266A  
OCS-G 23736

3/13/25

Talos Third Coast LLC  
c/o McGriff  
10100 Katy Freeway, Suite 400  
Houston, Texas 77043-5272  
Attn: Ashley Koletar, Attorney-in-Fact

Dear Ms. Koletar:

Your letter dated February 25, 2025, submitting Decrease Rider, Bond Rider No. 1, to be attached to and form a part of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Supplemental Multi-Obligee Performance Bond No. SURU2210000016, in the amount of \$1,524,912, was received by our office on the same day. This bond is conditioned to cover Lease OCS-G 23736, covering all of Block 73, West Cameron Area, with Talos Third Coast LLC, as principal and Ascot Surety & Casualty Company, as surety. The Principal and Surety are held and firmly bound unto the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, and McMoRan Oil & Gas LLC, (02312), as Co-Obligees.

Bond Rider No. 1 was executed on March 6, 2025, and decreases bond No. SURU2210000016 by \$618,231, for a total penal sum of \$1,524,912. The rider effective date is December 2, 2024, and has been attached to and now forms a part of the original bond.

Should you need further assistance you may contact the Leasing & Financial Responsibility Section at [boemGulffinancialassurance@boem.gov](mailto:boemGulffinancialassurance@boem.gov).

Sincerely,

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DUPLANTIS** Digitally signed by  
BRIDGETTE DUPLANTIS  
Date: 2025.03.13  
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Bridgette Duplantis, Section Supervisor  
Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section,  
Office of Leasing and Plans

Sent Via Email To: [natalye.james@talosenergy.com](mailto:natalye.james@talosenergy.com); [akoletar@mcgriff.com](mailto:akoletar@mcgriff.com);

cc: Talos Third Coast LLC (Principal)  
333 Clay Street, Suite 3300  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Attn: Sergio L. Maiworm, Jr.  
Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice President

McMoRan Oil & Gas LLC (Co-Obligee)  
1615 Poydras Street  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130  
Attn: Todd R. Cantrall  
Senior Vice President

Ascot Surety & Casualty Company (Surety)  
55 W 46<sup>th</sup> Street, 26 Floor  
New York, New York 10036  
Attn: Vickie Lacy, Attorney-in-Fact



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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: Reduction Rider Request for Bond SURU2210000016  
Lease OCS- 23736; WC 73**

Dear Sir or Madam:

We hereby request Bureau of Ocean Energy Management ("BOEM") to reduce bond **SURU2210000016** referenced below.

**Current Bond:**

Principal	Surety	Bond No.	Current Bond Amount	New Bond Amount	Bond Type
Talos Third Coast LLC	Ascot Surety & Casualty Company	<b>SURU2210000016</b>	\$2,143,143	\$1,524,912	Multi-Obligee Supplemental Lease Bond

Please email a copy of the acceptance letter to the email addresses below.

Natalye James, Talos Energy: [Natalye.James@talosenergy.com](mailto:Natalye.James@talosenergy.com)  
Ashley Koletar, McGriff (Broker/Surety): [akoletar@mcgriff.com](mailto:akoletar@mcgriff.com)

Thank you for your consideration in this regard. Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (713) 906-3013 or at the above-stated email address.

Sincerely,

*Ashley Koletar*

Ashley Koletar  
Attorney-In-Fact

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RIDER

Attaching to and forming part of Multi-Obligee Performance Bond, Supplemental Bond No. SURU2210000016, executed February 27, 2024, on behalf of Talos Third Coast LLC, as Principal, and Ascot Surety & Casualty Company, as Surety, in favor of the United States Department of Interior, acting through and by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), and McMoRan Oil & Gas LLC, as Co-Obligees, in the amount of Two Million One Hundred Forty-Three Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,143,143.00).

OCS Lease No. OCS-G 23736  
All of Block 73, West Cameron Area

Date of Execution: February 27, 2024  
Effective Date of Change: December 2, 2024

In consideration of the mutual agreement contained herein, the Principal and the Surety hereby consent to the following changes:

The *Bond Penalty Amount has Decreased* from:

Two Million One Hundred Forty-Three Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,143,143.00)

To:

One Million Five Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,524,912.00)

All other conditions and terms to remain as originally written.

Signed, sealed, and dated this 2nd day of December, 2024.

Talos Third Coast LLC  
Principal  
333 Clay Street, Suite 3300  
Houston, TX 77002  
By: [Signature]  
Name: Sergio L. Maiworm, Jr.  
Title: Chief Financial Officer and  
Senior Vice President

Ascot Surety & Casualty Company  
Surety  
55 W. 46<sup>th</sup> Street, 26<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10036  
By: [Signature]  
Name: Melanie Salinas  
Title: Attorney-In-Fact



McMoRan Oil & Gas LLC  
Prior Owner Obligee  
201 St. Joseph Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
By: [Signature]  
Name: Todd R. Cantrell  
Title: Senior Vice President

**United States of America Department of the Interior**  
**By: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management**

*BOEM Obligee*  
**1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard**  
**New Orleans, LA 70123**

By: BERNADET Digitally signed by  
BERNADETTE THOMAS  
Name: TE THOMAS Date: 2025.03.06  
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Power of Attorney

KNOW ALL MEN BY THE PRESENTS:

That Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company, each a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Colorado (the "Companies"), do hereby constitute and appoint:

Ashley Koletar, Joseph R. Aulbert, Marc W. Boots, Maria D. Zuniga, Richard Covington, Ryan Varela, Vickie Lacy, Melanie Salinas and Stephanie Moore Harold

of Houston, TX (city, state) and each its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full authority to sign, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver for, and on its behalf, and as its act and deed any place within the United States, or, if the following line is filled in, only within the area and up to the amount therein designated, any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and other contracts of indemnity or writings obligatory in the nature thereof, issued in the course of its surety business, and to bond the Companies as follows:

Any such obligations in the United States not to exceed \$50,000,000.00.

The Companies hereby ratify and confirm all and whatsoever said Attorney(s)-in-fact may lawfully do in the premises by virtue of these presents. These appointments are made under and by authority Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies, which resolutions are still in effect:

RESOLVED, that any of the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Operating Officer or the Chief Underwriting Officer, acting in conjunction with the head of the surety business line for the Corporation (each an Authorized Individual" and, collectively, the Authorized Individuals"), are authorized to jointly appoint one or more attorneys-in-fact to represent and act for and on behalf of the Corporation in the transaction of the Corporation's surety business to execute (under the common seal of the Corporation if appropriate) bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other contracts of indemnity and writings obligatory in the nature thereof;

RESOLVED, that in conjunction with the Corporation's transaction of surety business the signatures and attestations of the Authorized Individuals and the seal of the Corporation be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto (electronic or otherwise) by facsimile and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seals (electronic or otherwise) shall be valid and bonding upon the Corporation when so affixed with respect to any bond, undertaking, recognition or other contract of indemnity or writing obligatory in the nature thereof;

RESOLVED, that in connection with the Corporation's transaction of surety business, the facsimile electronic or mechanically reproduced signature of any Authorized Individual, whether made heretofore or hereafter, whenever appearing upon a copy of any Power of Attorney of the Corporation, with signatures

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused these presents with the respective corporate seals and to be executed by the individuals named below who are duly authorized and empowered to execute the Power of Attorney on the Companies' behalf, this 1st day of July 2024.



ASCOT SURETY & CASUALTY COMPANY
ASCOT INSURANCE COMPANY

Matthew Conrad Kramer (Chief Executive Officer)

Tara North (Executive Vice President, Surety)

STATE OF CONNECTICUT )
COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD ) ss.

On this 1st day of July 2024, before me came the above named Chief Executive Officer of each Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company and the head of the surety business line for each of Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company, to me personally known to be the individuals described herein, and acknowledged that the seals affixed to the preceding instrument and the corporate seals of each Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company, and that the said corporate seals and signatures were duly affixed and subscribed to said instrument by the authority and direction of said Companies.

KSENIA E. GUSEVA
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
My Commission Expires June 30, 2029

Notary Public Ksenia E Guseva
My commission expires on June 30, 2029

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing excerpts of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies, and the Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto, are true and correct, and further certify that both the Resolution and the Power of Attorney are still in full force and effect.

This Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies.

RESOLVED, that in connection with the Corporation's transaction of surety business the signatures and attestations of the Authorized Individuals and the seal of the Corporation be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto (electronic or otherwise) by facsimile and any such Power of Attorney of certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal (electronic or otherwise) shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation when so affixed with respect to any bond, undertaking, recognizances or other contract of indemnity or writing obligatory in the nature thereof;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF; I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies, this 2nd day of December, 2024.
ASCOT SURETY & CASUALTY COMPANY
ASCOT INSURANCE COMPANY

John Gill, Secretary

