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BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

New Orleans Office
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard
New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

In Reply Refer To: Bond No. PB00239900031

October 23, 2024

TOPCO OFFSHORE, LLC
3511 Avignon Court
Houston, TX 77082
Attn: Amanda Thompson

Dear Ms. Thompson:

Your letter dated October 8, 2024, requesting termination of the period of liability of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond No. PB00239900031, in the amount of \$500,000, was received by our office on October 9, 2024. This bond, conditioned to cover Lease OCS-G 33596, all of Block 170, Vermilion Area, was executed on April 3, 2019, with TOPCO OFFSHORE, LLC as principal and Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company as surety.

We are unable to grant your request at this time for the following reasons.

- The Risk Management Operations Section (RMOS) has objected to this termination due to liability remaining on this lease. You may contact RMOS at boemrmos@boem.gov for additional information.
- The Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) has concerns regarding this request because of outstanding lease obligations were found on invoice nos. FIN100082475 & FIN100086022. You may contact ONRR at pasrequests@onrr.gov for additional information.

When these have been corrected you may resubmit your request. If you require further assistance, please contact Kathleen Lee at (504) 736-5774 or boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov.

Sincerely,

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

cc: Amanda Thompson (amanda@topcooffshore.com)
Christopher Wise (christopher.wise@phly.com)



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October 8, 2024

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Office of Leasing and Plans
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October 9, 2024

*Leasing & Financial
Responsibility Section*

Re: Requesting Termination of the Lease Specific Operator Bond for Vermillion Block 170, OCS-G 33596 for \$500,000

This letter serves as a request to have the following lease specific operator bond terminated:

Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's or Operator's Bond by Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company, as Surety and TOPCO OFFSHORE, LLC (Company number 03472), as Principal, bearing Bond No. **PB00239900031** in the amount of \$500,000, effective April 3, 2019, for lease OCS-G 33596, covering all of Block 170, Vermilion Area, OCS Leasing Map, Louisiana Map No. 3.

The bond, hereinafter referred to as the "Operator Bond", was submitted upon TOPCO Offshore, LLC becoming an operator for Vermilion Block 170, OCS-G 33596. Vermilion Block 170 was acquired from Contango Operators, Inc. in April 2019. On July 10, 2020 the lease was terminated.

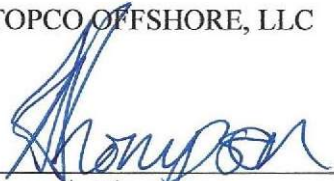
RUE Number OCS-G 30385 was issued to Gulf Offshore, LLC effective July 29, 2021. In addition, the decommissioning of the A001 well has been completed by Contango Operators, LLC.

Under 30 CFR 556.906, we request that the period of liability be terminated for the above referenced Operator Bond.

If you have any questions regarding the above, or need additional information, please contact me at (713) 398-3559 or by email. The Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company representative is Christopher J. Wise at (614) 726-3855 or christopher.wise@phly.com.

Sincerely,

TOPCO OFFSHORE, LLC



Amanda Thompson
Manager