



# 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. 6173603

September 4, 2024

TOTAL E&P USA, INC.  
1201 Louisiana, Suite 1800  
Houston, TX 77002  
Attn: Geoff McMullen

Dear Mr. McMullen:

Your letter dated May 20, 2024, submitting a Name Change Bond Rider, to be attached to and form a part of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Bond No. 6173603, in the amount of \$3,000,000, was received by our office on May 23, 2024. This bond, conditioned to cover the principal's leasehold interest held now or hereafter in the Gulf of Mexico, was executed on September 12, 2004, with TOTAL E&P USA, INC. as principal and SAFECO Insurance Company of America as surety.

The Name Change Bond Rider was executed on January 19, 2022, and changes the Principal's name from TOTAL E&P USA, INC. to TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc. The rider is effective September 1, 2021, and has been attached to and now forms a part of the original bond.

Should you need further assistance, please contact Kathleen Lee at (504) 736-5774 or [boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov](mailto:boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov).

Sincerely,

**BRIDGETTE**  
**DUPLANTIS**

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

cc: Geoff McMullen ([geoff.mcmullen@external.totalenergies.com](mailto:geoff.mcmullen@external.totalenergies.com))  
Todd Tschantz ([todd.tschantz@libertymutual.com](mailto:todd.tschantz@libertymutual.com))  
Joan Seelman ([jseelman@liskow.com](mailto:jseelman@liskow.com))



Sender's Name  
jjseelman@liskow.com  
D: 504.299.6121

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May 20, 2024

**May 23, 2024**

**VIA EMAIL: boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov**

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management  
Leasing & Financial Responsibility Unit  
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394

***Leasing & Financial  
Responsibility Section***

Re: Submission of Bond Rider relating to change of name from  
TOTAL E&P USA, INC. to TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc.  
(GOM No. 1500)

Dear Sir or Madam:

As an authorized consultant for TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc., Liskow & Lewis is submitting the enclosed Bond Rider ("Rider") that is attached to and forms a part of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Bond (Gulf of Mexico), bearing Bond No. 6173603 (and the Bond Rider to Assume Liability - Rider No. 1 attached to same), executed and effective September 12, 2004, in the amount of three million and no/100 dollars (\$3,000,000.00), issued by SAFECO Insurance Company of America, as Surety, on behalf of TOTAL E&P USA, INC., as Principal, in favor of U.S. Department of the Interior Minerals Management Service, as Obligee ("Bond").

The Bond shall be amended to change the Principal Name from TOTAL E&P USA, INC. to TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc.

All other conditions and terms of the Bond to remain as originally written.

Once you have reviewed and approved the Rider, please update your files to reflect TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc. as the new Principal.

# Liskow

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management  
Leasing & Financial Responsibility Unit  
May 20, 2024  
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If you have any questions regarding the above, or need additional information, we have provided the following contact information for each of the parties:

For the Principal – TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc.

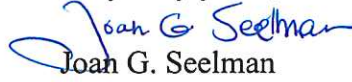
Geoff McMullen  
1201 Louisiana Street, Suite 1800  
Houston, Texas 77002  
Geoff.McMullen@external.totalenergies.com  
(318) 623-1812 mobile

For the Surety/Safeco

Todd Tschantz, AFSB  
Commercial Surety Bond Manager  
7900 Windrose Ave.  
18 West  
Plano, Texas 75024  
Email: todd.tschantz@libertymutual.com  
Office: 469-997-6787  
Cell: 678-428-4870  
Fax: 866-549-8320

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact Jana L. Grauberger at (713)-651-2906 or by email at jlgrauberger@liskow.com or me at (504)-299-6121 (office), (504)-250-9575 (cell) or by email jseelman@liskow.com.

Very truly yours,

  
Joan G. Seelman  
Regulatory Paralegal

Enclosures

**BOND RIDER**

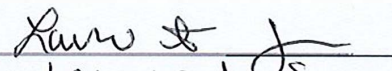
This rider is attached to and forms a part of Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Bond (Gulf of Mexico), bearing Bond No. 6173603 (and the Bond Rider to Assume Liability - Rider No. 1 attached to same), executed and effective September 12, 2004, in the amount of three million and no/100 dollars (\$3,000,000.00), issued by SAFECO Insurance Company of America, as Surety, on behalf of TOTAL E&P USA, INC., as Principal, in favor of U.S. Department of the Interior Minerals Management Service, as Obligee.

Effective September 1, 2021 this bond shall be amended to change the Principal Name from TOTAL E&P USA, INC. to TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc.


All other conditions and terms to remain as originally written.

Signed, sealed and dated this 19th day of January, 2022.

TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc.  
Principal

By:   
Name: Lauren A. Spence  
Title: Attorney - in - Fact

SAFECO Insurance Company of America  
Surety

By:   
Name: Jessica Richmond  
Title: Attorney in Fact

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**May 23, 2024**

*Leasing & Financial  
Responsibility Section*



This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated.

American States Insurance Company
First National Insurance Company of America
General Insurance Company of America
Safeco Insurance Company of America

Certificate No: 8201261-022001

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That American States Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana, that First National Insurance Company of America, General Insurance Company of America, and Safeco Insurance Company of America are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint, Philip N. Bair, Alfredo B. Barrera III, Janie Cermeno, Eric S. Feighl, John L. Hohlt, Joyce A. Johnson, Jessica Richmond, Chelsea Nielson

all of the city of Houston state of Texas each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver, for and on its behalf as surety and as its act and deed, any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations, in pursuance of these presents and shall be as binding upon the Companies as if they have been duly signed by the president and attested by the secretary of the Companies in their own proper persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 13th day of May, 2019.

American States Insurance Company
First National Insurance Company of America
General Insurance Company of America
Safeco Insurance Company of America



By: David M. Carey

David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary

State of PENNSYLVANIA
County of MONTGOMERY

On this 13th day of May, 2019 before me personally appeared David M. Carey, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of American States Insurance Company, First National Insurance Company of America, General Insurance Company of America, and Safeco Insurance Company of America, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Notarial Seal
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public
Upper Merion Twp., Montgomery County
My Commission Expires March 28, 2021
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

By: Teresa Pastella
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-law and Authorizations of American States Insurance Company, First National Insurance Company of America, General Insurance Company of America, and Safeco Insurance Company of America, which are now in full force and effect reading as follows:

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS: Section 12. Power of Attorney.

Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject to such limitation as the Chairman or the President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorney-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary. Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the provisions of this article may be revoked at any time by the Board, the Chairman, the President or by the officer or officers granting such power or authority.

Certificate of Designation - The President of the Company, acting pursuant to the Bylaws of the Company, authorizes David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary to appoint such attorneys-in-fact as may be necessary to act on behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations.

Authorization - By unanimous consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the Company consents that facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the Company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

I, Renee C. Llewellyn, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, of American States Insurance Company, First National Insurance Company of America, General Insurance Company of America, and Safeco Insurance Company of America do hereby certify that the original power of attorney of which the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 19th day of January, 2022.



By: Renee C. Llewellyn

Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary

Not valid for mortgage, note, loan, letter of credit, currency rate, interest rate or residual value guarantees.

To confirm the validity of this Power of Attorney call 1-610-832-8240 between 9:00 am and 4:30 pm EST on any business day.

# CHANGE RIDER

To be attached to and form a part of Bond No. 6173603

in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 issued by SAFECO Insurance Company of America

on behalf of TOTAL E&P USA, Inc.

in favor of USA - Department of Interior - BOEM - 1201 Elmwood Park Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70123

It is understood and agreed that the bond described above is hereby modified so as to

**The Principal Name to:**

TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc.

It is further expressly understood and agreed that the aggregate liability of the \_\_\_\_\_

SAFECO Insurance Company of America under said bond to the obligee herein mentioned shall not exceed the amount stated above.

Nothing herein contained shall be held to vary, alter, waive, or extend any of the terms, agreements, conditions or limitations of the above-mentioned bond, other than as above stated.

Signed, sealed and dated this 21st day of December, 2021

SAFECO Insurance Company of America



BY: S. Gross

Stephanie Gross

Attorney-in-Fact



This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated.

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all of the city of Houston state of TX each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver, for and on its behalf as surety and as its act and deed, any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations, in pursuance of these presents and shall be as binding upon the Companies as if they have been duly signed by the president and attested by the secretary of the Companies in their own proper persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 13th day of April, 2021.

American States Insurance Company
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General Insurance Company of America
Safeco Insurance Company of America

By: [Signature]
David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary



State of PENNSYLVANIA ss
County of MONTGOMERY

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public
Montgomery County
My commission expires March 28, 2025
Commission number 1126044
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

By: [Signature]
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By: [Signature]
Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary

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