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Mammoth Exploration, LLC Attn: Luke Shaw 200 North Loraine Street, Suite 1100 Midland, TX 79701

RE: Notification of Lease Termination

UT Lease #41491 Block 1, Section 5 Andrews County, TX

Via: FedEx Standard Overnight

Mr. Luke Shaw.

Our records indicate that the above referenced Lease(s) is not producing in paying quantities<sup>1</sup> and therefore has terminated under its own terms. As of the date of this letter, Mammoth Exploration, LLC has neither reported any additional production, nor informed University Lands of any additional drilling or reworking operations performed on the Lease(s) to sufficiently hold the Lease(s) in compliance with the lease terms. Therefore, consistent with Texas Law and the terms and conditions of the Lease(s), the Lease(s) have terminated effective August 15, 2018 and this letter serves as formal notice of termination of the Lease(s).<sup>2</sup> One hundred percent (100%) of production of any substance from the Lease(s) after August 15, 2018 belongs to University Lands.

Termination of the Lease(s) does not relieve Mammoth Exploration, LLC of any rentals, royalties, or other financial obligations which have accrued, including but not limited to plugging and abandonment and reclamation obligations. Mammoth Exploration, LLC is required to file Release(s) of Oil and Gas Lease within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice in Andrews County and provide a copy of the recorded Release(s) to University Lands. The appropriate Release of Oil & Gas Lease form can be found on the University Lands website under the "Forms" link.

Mammoth Exploration, LLC is responsible for plugging and abandoning all well(s), and for restoring the surface of the Lease(s) in accordance with the Lease(s) terms, the Board for Lease Rules<sup>3</sup> and all applicable state and federal codes, rules, laws, regulations and procedures.

The above-referenced items are mandatory obligations of Mammoth Exploration, LLC under the Lease(s) that require action within the time frames specified. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have questions regarding this matter or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Cindy Brooks (432) 686-4728, <a href="mailto:Cbrooks@utsystem.edu">Cbrooks@utsystem.edu</a> or Danielle Jeter, (432) 686-5477, <a href="mailto:leier@utsystem.edu">leier@utsystem.edu</a>.

Sincerely,

Cindy Brooks

Director - Accounting, Audit and Regulatory

L. Danielle Jeter

CC: Cindy Brooks, Brian Owen, Richard Brantley, Joe Petersen, Danielle Jeter, Drew McEachern, Jim Buice, Claudia Molina, Samantha Major and Sonya Barguiarena

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Article 1.11(n), Board for Lease of University Lands, Rules and Regulations (defining production in paying quantities as production "in quantities sufficient to yield a return in excess of operating costs.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Clifton v. Koontz, 325 S.W.2d 684 (1959) (establishing the two-part test to determine whether lessee has maintained production in paying quantities sufficient to maintain a lease, as (1) determination of whether the subject well turned a profit over a reasonable period of time, and (2) if a well failed to return a profit over a reasonable period of time, the fact finder must determine whether a reasonable and prudent operator would continue to operate the subject well for profit, and not merely for speculation, under the specific circumstances at issue).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Article 2.23, Board for Lease of University Lands, Rules and Regulations ("Each oil and gas Lease issued by the Board shall be subject to, and performance of Lessee's obligations under the Lease shall be in conformance with, rules as adopted from time to time by the Board and Board of Regents.").