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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF GULF EXPLORATION, L.L.C. FOR AN EXCEPTION LOCATION FOR AN OIL WELL IN THE SE1/4 NE1/4 OF SECTION 8, T11S, R1E, B.H.M., FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

Case No. 1-2021

PETITION

Gulf Exploration, L.L.C. by and through its attorney Brett Koenecke of May, Adam,
Gerdes & Thompson LLP of Pierre, South Dakota, hereby petitions the South Dakota
Department of Environment and Natural Resources for an exception location for an oil well as follows:

- 1. Gulf Exploration, L.L.C. (Gulf) holds an oil and gas leasehold interest in the above-captioned parcel of property.
- 2. Gulf will file an Application for Permit to Drill ("APD") with DENR for the drilling of the Bulge #1-8 oil well.
- 3. The location proposed for the Bulge #1-8 oil well in the APD is 2367' FNL and 261' FEL (SE1/4 NE1/4) in Section 8, T11S, R1E, B.H.M., Fall River County, South Dakota. Such location will be an exception location because it is located within 500 feet of a property boundary pursuant to ARSD 74:12:02:04.
- 4. The exception location is requested because the location is chosen based upon new three-dimensional seismic interpretation. If the proposed well is not drilled at the requested exception location, it would be unlikely to produce in economic quantities.
- 5. This petition is made pursuant to SDCL 45-9-27 and ARSD 74:12:02:08.

6. The mineral owners in the lands adjacent to the proposed exception location are:

United States Department of the Interior North Dakota Field Office Bureau of Land Management 2933 Third Avenue West Dickinson, North Dakota 58601-2619

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