STATE OF SOUTH DAKULA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES PT OF AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES - RAPID CITY

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF GULF EXPLORATION, L.L.C. FOR AN EXCEPTION LOCATION FOR AN OIL WELL IN THE NE1/4 NE1/4 OF SECTION 3, T9S, R1E, B.H.M., FALL RIVER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

Case No. 2-2023

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 Board of Minerals and Environment (BME) for an exception location for an oil well, as follows:

- Gulf Exploration, L.L.C. (Gulf) holds an oil and gas leasehold interest in the 1. above-captioned parcel of property.
- 2. Gulf will file an Application for Permit to Drill ("APD") with BME for the drilling of the Enigma 1-3 oil well.
- 3. The location proposed for the Enigma 1-3 oil well in the APD is 500' FEL and 1,250' FNL (SE/4 NE/4 NE/4) in Section 3, T9S, R1E, B.H.M., Fall River County, South Dakota. Such a 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 3 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 owner in the lands adjacent to the proposed exception location is:

Colter Steinmetz P.O. Box 1239 Hot Springs, SD 57747

7. The mineral owner in the lands subject to the proposed exception location is:

Litzel Ranch, LLC 1015 US Hwy 18 Lusk, WY 82225

Dated this 20th day of April, 2023.

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