#### LEASE ISSUANCE AGREEMENT

THIS LEASE ISSUANCE AGREEMENT is dated for reference as of the 16th day of March, 2021.

MADE BY AND BETWEEN:

#### HERITAGE ROYALTY RESOURCE CORP.

(the "Lessor")

#### AND

#### IMPERIAL NATURAL GAS CORP.

(the "Lessee")

#### RECITALS

**WHEREAS** the Lessor is the fee simple owner of certain mines and minerals underlying the Fee Lands and has agreed to issue the Mineral Leases to the Lessee, subject to and in accordance with the Terms & Conditions of this Agreement.

#### AGREEMENT

**NOW THEREFORE** in consideration of the promises and covenants set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration including the Initial Consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby confirmed, the Parties agree as follows:

#### 1. Definitions.

In this Agreement, including the Recitals and the Schedules, the terms and phrases that appear in upper case shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in this Clause 1 (Definitions), or elsewhere in this Agreement, subject to the deemed amendment mechanisms provided for in this Agreement.

- (a) "Abandon" means: (i) the proper plugging and abandonment of a wellbore; (ii) the salvage of the associated salvable material and equipment; (iii) any required remediation of any associated environmental liabilities; and (iv) the reclamation of the applicable surface location and any applicable access roads; all in compliance with Applicable Laws and the requirements of the documents under which the applicable surface rights were held.
- (b) **"Address for Service"** means the Lessor's Address, or the Lessee's Address, as applicable, or such other address as a Party may from time to time designate as its Address for Service by giving Notice thereof to the other Party.
- (c) "Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person which is affiliated with such Person, and for the purposes hereof two (2) Persons will be considered to be affiliated with

one (1) another if one (1) of them controls the other, or if both of them are controlled by a common third (3rd) Person, where for these purposes the term "control" means the possession, direct or indirect, of: (i) in the case of a corporation, the power to vote more than fifty percent (50%) of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of such corporation; or (ii) in the case of a partnership (general or limited), joint venture or other Person, either the power to exercise more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights in such Person, or the power to cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person.

- (d) "Agreement" means this document, together with the Schedules attached hereto and made a part hereof, all as amended, supplemented or modified from time to time in accordance with the provisions hereof.
- (e) "Annual Rental" has the same meaning as in the Mineral Leases.
- (f) **"Applicable Laws"** means, in relation to any Person, lands, transaction or event, all applicable provisions of laws, statutes, rules, regulations, official directives and orders of Governmental Authorities including final, non-appealable judgements, orders and decrees of all courts, arbitrators, commissions or bodies exercising similar functions in actions or proceedings in which the Person in question is a party, by which it is bound or having application to the lands, transaction or event in question.
- (g) "Assignment Procedure" means the 1993 CAPL Assignment Procedure.
- (h) **"Burdens"** means a lien, mortgage, pledge, option, encumbrance, charge, Security Interest, penalty, royalty, burden, net profits interest, carried working interest or other adverse Claim relating to the Fee Lands.
- (i) **"Business Day"** means any day excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays under Applicable Law in Calgary, Alberta.
- (j) "Claim" means any cause of action, action, account, lien of any kind whatsoever, claim, demand, lawsuit, audit, proceeding, or arbitration, including any proceeding or investigation by a Governmental Authority arising from any matter.
- (k) **"Default"** means any breach or non-observance or non-performance on the part of the Lessee of any Term & Condition of this Agreement.
- (I) "Disposition" means a disposition by a Party of any interest in this Agreement, whether by assignment, sale, trade, lease, sublease, farmout or otherwise.
- (m) **"Drilling Operations"** means spudding and thereafter diligently and continuously drilling and fully testing all penetrated or re-entered zones of a well for production of Leased Substances, to and including the commencement of Production Operations or

Abandonment of such well in the absence of Production Operations, and all acts incidental thereto.

- (n) "Effective Date" means the hour of 8:00 a.m., Calgary, Alberta time, on May 31, 2021.
- (o) "Fee Lands" means the fee simple areal, stratigraphic and substance rights identified in those lands set forth and described in Schedule "A" (Fee Lands).
- (p) "Force Majeure" means strikes, lockouts, acts of God, acts of the Queen's enemies, war, blockades, riots, Applicable Laws, Governmental Authorities, severe weather conditions or action of the elements, unavoidable accidents, delays in transportation, inability to obtain necessary materials in the open market, or other matters beyond the reasonable control of a Party, whether similar to the matters herein specifically enumerated or not; provided, however, that in no event shall lack of finances on the part of a Party be deemed to be a matter beyond its reasonable control.
- (q) **"Force Majeure Period**" means the period of time during which any event of Force Majeure exists and continues, provided however that no such period may exceed one (1) year.
- (r) **"Governmental Authority"** means any federal, provincial, territorial, municipal or other government or government department, agency, board, regulatory or other authority including a court of law.
- (s) "GST" means any federal, provincial or other goods and services tax including, without limitation, the goods and services tax provided for in the *Excise Tax Act* (Canada).
- (t) "Initial Consideration" means the sum of eight hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$875,000.00).
- (u) "Lease Terms" means the Mineral Lease terms set out and described in Schedule "B" (Lease Terms).
- (v) "Lessee Group" means the Lessee and its Affiliates, and the Representatives of the Lessee and its Affiliates.
- (w) "Lessee's Address" means the address indicated on the Lessee's execution counterpart hereof, or any such other address as the Lessee may from time to time designate as its Address for Service by giving Notice thereof to the Lessor.
- (x) "Lessor Group" means the Lessor and its Affiliates, and the Representatives of the Lessor and its Affiliates.
- (y) "Lessor's Address" means the address indicated on the Lessor's execution counterpart hereof, or any such other address as the Lessor may from time to time designate as its Address for Service by giving Notice thereof to the Lessee.

- (z) "Liabilities" means any liability, responsibility or obligation, whether under common law, in equity, under Applicable Law or otherwise, whether tortious, contractual, vicarious, statutory or otherwise, whether absolute or contingent, and whether based on fault, strict liability or otherwise.
- (aa) "Losses" means, in respect of a Person and in relation to a matter, any and all losses, damages, costs, expenses, charges (including all penalties, assessments and fines) which such Person suffers, sustains, pays or incurs in connection with such matter and includes taxes, reasonable costs of legal counsel (on a solicitor and client basis) and other professional advisors and consultants, and reasonable costs of investigating and defending any Claim.
- (bb) "Mineral Lease" means the Mineral Leases issued pursuant to Subclause 3(a) (Agreement to Issue Leases) and as the context requires issued in the form included in Schedule "C" (Form of Mineral Lease).
- (cc) **"Notice**" means any notice, invoice, bill, request, offer, communication or statement between the Parties that is required, permitted or contemplated hereunder.
- (dd) "Operations" means Drilling Operations and Production Operations.
- (ee) **"Parties"** means the Lessor and the Lessee, and any Person who is from time to time subsequently recognized pursuant to the terms hereof as being entitled to the Lessor's interest or the Lessee's interest, as the case may be, under this Agreement.
- (ff) "**Person**" includes an individual, a partnership (limited or general), a corporation, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization, a union, a Governmental Authority and the heirs, executors, administrators or other legal representatives of an individual.
- (gg) "Permitted Encumbrances" means: (i) the Terms & Conditions in any original grants or transfers from the Crown of any of the Fee Lands, and exceptions to title under Applicable Law; (ii) those encumbrances, liens, estates and interests, if any, that are endorsed on the certificates of title relating to the Fee Lands as of the Effective Date; (iii) any Security Interest encumbering the Lessor's interest in the Fee Lands in respect of which the Lessor delivers a release or no interest letter to the Lessee concurrent with the execution and delivery hereof; (iv) rights of general application reserved to or vested in any Governmental Authority to levy taxes on Leased Substances or the income or revenue therefrom; (v) restrictions imposed by Governmental Authorities on the rates of production of Leased Substances from the Fee Lands or on Operations being conducted in respect of the Fee Lands, but excluding all such taxes incurred up to the Effective Date that have not been paid; (vi) the Applicable Laws and any rights reserved to or vested in any Governmental Authority to limit, control or regulate any of the Fee Lands in any manner; and (vii) liens for taxes, assessments and governmental charges which are not due or delinquent or if

due the validity of which is being diligently contested in good faith by or on behalf of the Lessor.

- (hh) "Primary Term" has the same meaning as in the Mineral Leases.
- (ii) "Production Operations" has the same meaning as in the Mineral Leases.
- (jj) **"Representation & Warranty"** means the representations and warranties of both or either Parties contained in Clause 5 (Representations & Warranties).
- (kk) "Representatives" means a Person's employees, officers, directors, agents and contractors.
- (II) **"Security Interest"** means any mortgage, charge, pledge, hypothec, assignment by way of or in effect as security, or security interest whatsoever, but does not include a right of set-off or a set-off.
- (mm) "Spacing Unit" has the same meaning as in the Mineral Leases.
- (nn) **"Terms & Conditions**" means any terms, conditions, covenants, rights, liabilities, responsibilities, obligations, representations or warranties.
- (oo) "Third Party" means any Person other than the Parties.
- (pp) "Warranty Period" means a period twelve (12) months from the Effective Date.

#### 2. Interpretation.

#### (a) Incorporation of Schedules.

The following Schedules are attached to, and by this reference hereby incorporated in, this Agreement:

Schedule "A": Fee Lands.

Schedule "B": Lease Terms.

Schedule "C": Form of Mineral Lease.

#### (b) References to this Agreement.

The terms "hereof", "herein", "hereto", "hereunder" and similar expressions refer to this Agreement, including any Recital to this Agreement and any Schedules to this Agreement, taken as a whole and not to any particular Clause, Subclause, Paragraph or Subparagraph of this Agreement and include any agreement or instrument which amends, modifies, or is supplementary to this Agreement. References in this Agreement to a Schedule shall mean a reference to the applicable Schedule to this Agreement. References

in any Schedule to the "Agreement" shall mean a reference to this Agreement. References in any Schedule to another Schedule shall mean a reference to another Schedule to this Agreement.

#### (c) Headings.

The headings of Clauses, Subclauses and Paragraphs are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

#### (d) References to Singular, Masculine or Neuter.

Whenever the singular, masculine or neuter is used in this Agreement, the same shall be construed as meaning plural or feminine or body politic or corporate or *vice versa*, as the context so requires.

#### (e) References to Dollars.

All references to "dollars" or "\$" in this Agreement shall mean the lawful currency of Canada, and all Payments and receipts shall be made and recorded in lawful currency of Canada.

#### (f) References to Times and Dates.

Unless otherwise indicated, references to the time of day or date means the local time or date in Calgary, Alberta.

#### (g) Time Periods.

Whenever the phrase "within" or "at least" is used in this Agreement with reference to a specific time period, the day of receipt of the relevant payment or Notice and the day of the relevant event shall be excluded in determining the applicable time period. However, if the time for doing any act expires on a day that is not a Business Day, the time for doing that act shall be extended to the next Business Day.

#### (h) Derivatives.

If a term or phrase is defined in this Agreement, a derivative of that term or phrase shall have a corresponding meaning unless the context otherwise requires.

#### (i) Reference to a Statutory Enactment.

Any reference in this Agreement to a statute or regulation shall be a reference to that enactment as amended or re-enacted from time to time and every statute or regulation that may be substituted therefore, and the bylaws, directives or other subsidiary legislation made pursuant to that statute or regulation.

#### (j) Written.

In this Agreement, the terms "in writing" or "written" include printing, typewriting, facsimile or electronic transmission.

#### (k) Conflicts.

# (i) The Body of this Agreement and the Schedules.

If there is any conflict or inconsistency between a Term & Condition of the body of this Agreement and that of a Schedule, then the Term & Condition of the body of this Agreement shall prevail.

#### (ii) This Agreement and the Mineral Leases.

If there is any conflict or inconsistency between a Term & Condition of this Agreement and that of the Mineral Leases, then the Term & Condition of this Agreement shall prevail, and the Mineral Leases shall be deemed to be amended to the extent required to eliminate any such conflict.

#### (iii) This Agreement and Applicable Law.

If there is any conflict or inconsistency between a Term & Condition of this Agreement and an Applicable Law, then the Applicable Law shall prevail, and this Agreement shall be deemed to be amended to the extent required to eliminate any such conflict.

#### (I) Terms of Inclusion.

In this Agreement the terms "include" and "including" mean "include, without limiting the generality of the foregoing" and "including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing", respectively.

#### (m) Contra Proferentem.

The rule of contractual interpretation known as "contra proferentem" shall not apply to the interpretation or construction of this Agreement, such that in interpreting this Agreement, it shall be irrelevant which Party drafted any particular provision hereof.

#### (n) Knowledge and Awareness.

Where in this Agreement any statement or representation is made as to, or as being based on, the awareness, knowledge, information or belief of a Party, such awareness, knowledge, information or belief, as applicable, is limited to the actual knowledge, after reasonable inquiry, of the senior officers of that Party who are, as part of their normal duties, responsible for the operation and/or administration of this Agreement, on the date such statement or representation is made. For the avoidance of doubt, such actual knowledge does not include the knowledge of any other Person or any constructive knowledge.

#### 3. Lease Issuance.

#### (a) Agreement to Issue Leases.

The Lessor hereby agrees to grant to the Lessee Mineral Leases in respect of the Fee Lands in accordance with the Lease Terms. The Mineral Leases shall be issued by the Lessor to the Lessee on or before June 30,

2021 provided, however, that a Mineral Lease shall be deemed to be issued and be in full force and effect as of the Effective Date.

# (b) Payment of Initial Consideration.

As consideration for the issuance of the Mineral Leases, the Lessee shall pay the Lessor the Initial Consideration as defined in Subclause 1(w) (Initial Consideration) on the schedule as described in Subclause 3(c). The Initial Consideration shall be paid by electronic transfer at:

**Destination Bank:** Transit Number: Institution: For Credit to: Account Number:

# (c) Schedule of Payments.

Payment by the Lessee to the Lessor shall be staged as follows: (i) the sum of two hundred eighteen six hundred eighty seven dollars and seven cents (\$218,687.07) on or before March 17, 2021 representing a portion of the Initial Consideration in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) and the first year Annual Rentals in the amount of one hundred eighteen six hundred eighty seven dollars and seven cents (\$118,687.07) pursuant to the terms of the Mineral Leases; and (ii) the sum of seven hundred seventy five thousand dollars (\$775,000.00) on or before May 31, 2021.

Failure by the Lessee to timely tender all or any of the Initial Consideration shall result in the immediate termination of this Agreement and all Mineral Leases shall be deemed to immediately terminate.

# (d) GST Amounts.

The Parties acknowledge that all sums payable by the Lessee to the Lessor under this Agreement are exclusive of GST, and that the Lessee shall be liable for and shall, in addition to the amounts specified herein, pay all applicable GST eligible in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

#### 4. Information Requested by the Lessor or a Third Party.

The Lessor, at anytime during the term of this Agreement, may request from the Lessee the following information related to the Fee Lands: (i) summary of production forecast; (ii) summary of new well activity, which includes new wells drilled, completions and tie-ins (iii) summary of actual pricing, marketing rates, sales prices and any deductions; (iv) actual and forecast of operating and capital commitments for current and subsequent years; and (v) all well logs with respect to above base Nisku by the Lessor or a Third Party. The Lessee shall provide the information within 30 days such request.

# 5. Representations & Warranties.

# (a) Mutual Representations & Warranties.

Each of the Parties makes the Representations & Warranties in this Subclause 5(a) (Mutual Representations & Warranties) to the other Party, acknowledging that the other Party may rely on these Representations & Warranties in entering into this Agreement and in completing the transactions hereby contemplated.

# (i) Good Standing.

Each Party is duly organized, valid and subsisting under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization.

# (ii) Authorized to Carry on Business.

Each Party is authorized to carry on business in each of the jurisdictions where the Fee Lands are situated.

# (iii) Authority to Execute and Deliver.

Each Party has the requisite capacity, power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the Mineral Leases.

# (iv) Authority to Perform Obligations.

Each Party has the requisite capacity, power and authority to perform the obligations to which it becomes subject under this Agreement and the Mineral Leases.

# (v) Authorization of Transaction.

The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the Mineral Leases, and the completion of the transactions hereby contemplated have been duly and validly authorized by any and all requisite actions of each Party and no other authorization or approval or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any Governmental Authority exercising jurisdiction over the Fee Lands or that Party is required for the due execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement and the Mineral Leases.

#### (vi) Enforceable Obligations.

This Agreement and the Mineral Leases constitute valid and binding obligations of the Parties and will be enforceable against each of the Parties in accordance with their terms, subject to: (A) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent preference, reorganization or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally; and (B) general principles of equity, regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding at law or equity.

#### (vii) No Conflict.

The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the Mineral Leases, and the completion of the transactions hereby contemplated, are not and will not be in violation or breach of, or be in conflict with: (A) any term or provision of the charter, by-laws or other governing or constating documents of that Party; (B) any agreement, instrument, license, permit or other governmental authorization to which it is a Party or by which it is bound; or (C) Applicable Law or any judicial order, award, judgement or decree applicable to that Party or the Fee Lands.

#### (viii) No Finder's Fees.

Neither Party shall have any responsibility for any obligation, responsibility or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokers' or finders' fees in respect of this Agreement and the Mineral Leases, and the completion of the transactions hereby contemplated, if any, incurred by the other Party.

#### (b) Representations & Warranties of the Lessor.

Subject to the Permitted Encumbrances, the Lessor makes the Representations & Warranties in this Subclause 5(b) (Representations & Warranties of the Lessor) to the Lessee, acknowledging that the Lessee may rely on these Representations & Warranties in entering into this Agreement and in completing the transactions hereby contemplated.

#### (i) Residency.

The Lessor is not a "non-resident" of Canada for the purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

#### (ii) Claims.

There are no unsatisfied judgments nor any Claims in existence against the Lessor that relate to the Fee Lands, and to the knowledge of the Lessor no such judgments or Claims have been threatened and there are no particular circumstances that exist which could give rise to any such judgments or Claims.

#### (iii) Title to Fee Lands.

The Lessor does not warrant title to the Lessor's interest in the Fee Lands but does warrant that: (A) it is, or is entitled to become, the registered fee simple owner of the Fee Lands; (B) it has not done any act or thing whereby any of the Fee Lands may be encumbered, alienated, cancelled or determined; and (C) the

Fee Lands are now and will be upon the issuance of the Mineral Leases, free and clear of all Burdens created by, through or under the Lessor, or of which the Lessor has knowledge.

# (iv) Compliance with Applicable Laws.

To the Lessor's knowledge no act or omission has occurred whereby the Lessor is, or would be, in default under Applicable Laws, where such a default would impact materially and adversely upon the Fee Lands, or any of them.

# (v) Financial Commitments.

There are no outstanding financial commitments respecting the Fee Lands which are due as at the Effective Date for which the Lessee shall be or become responsible.

# (vi) Payment of Royalties and Taxes.

To the Lessor's knowledge, all royalties and all ad valorem, property, production, severance and similar taxes and assessments based on or measured by the ownership of the Fee Lands or the production of Leased Substances or the receipt of proceeds therefrom payable by the Lessor in respect of the Fee Lands have been fully paid and discharged.

# (vii) Quiet Enjoyment.

Subject to the Terms & Conditions of the Mineral Leases, the Lessee shall be entitled to hold and enjoy the Fee Lands subject thereto for the Lessee's own use and benefit without any interruption of or by the Lessor or any Third Party claiming by, through or under the Lessor.

# (c) Representations and Warranties of the Lessee.

The Lessee makes the representations and warranties in this Subclause 5(c) (Representations and Warranties of the Lessee) to the Lessor, acknowledging that the Lessor may rely on these Representations & Warranties in entering into this Agreement and in completing the transactions hereby contemplated.

# (i) Investment Canada Act.

The Lessee is not a "non-Canadian" Person within the meaning of the *Investment Canada Act* (Canada), or the Lessee is an entity controlled by a "WTO Investor" for the purposes of the *Investment Canada Act* (Canada) and shall comply with the *Investment Canada Act* (Canada) to the extent, if any, that it is applicable to the transactions hereby contemplated.

# (ii) The Lessee as Principal.

The Lessee is entering into this Agreement in its capacity as a principal, and is not entering into this Agreement for the purpose of immediate or concurrent Disposition to a Third Party.

#### (iii) Availability of Funds.

The Lessee has and shall have sufficient cash, available lines of credit, or other sources of immediately available funds to enable the Lessee to make the payments to the Lessor hereby contemplated.

#### (d) Reliance.

Nothing in this Agreement will preclude a Party that made a Representation & Warranty from offering as a possible defence that the other Party did not, in fact, rely to its detriment on the Representation & Warranty alleged by it to have been inaccurate.

#### (e) Survival of Representations & Warranties.

Each Party acknowledges that the other Party may rely on the Representations & Warranties made by such Party. The Representations & Warranties shall be accurate at the Effective Date and on the dates that the Mineral Leases are issued, and shall continue in full force and effect and shall survive for the Warranty Period for the benefit of the Party for which such Representations & Warranties were made. In the absence of fraud, however, no Claim shall be commenced with respect to an inaccurate Representation & Warranty, unless, within the Warranty Period, Notice specifying such inaccuracy in reasonable detail has been provided to the Party which made such Representation & Warranty.

#### (f) Limitation of Representations & Warranties.

# (i) Negation of Collateral Representations.

Except for its Representations & Warranties, the Lessor makes no representations or warranties of any kind or nature, express or implied, at law or in equity and, in particular, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Lessor hereby expressly negates and disclaims, and shall not be liable for, any and all representations or warranties which may have been made or alleged to have been made in any other document or instrument or in any statement or information made or communicated to the Lessee in any manner.

# (ii) Negation of Specific Representations.

Except for its Representations & Warranties, the Lessor hereby expressly negates and disclaims, and shall not be liable for, any representations or warranties made or alleged to have been made to the Lessee in this Agreement or otherwise with respect to any of the following matters: (A) any data or information provided or made available to the Lessee in management presentations, in meetings with the Lessee or otherwise; (B) any engineering, geophysical or geological information or interpretations respecting the Fee Lands; (C) any economic evaluations respecting the Fee Lands; (D) title to the Fee Lands; or (E) the quantity, quality or recoverability of Leased Substances from the Fee Lands.

#### (iii) Acquiring on an "As is-Where is" Basis.

The Lessee acknowledges and confirms to the Lessor that except as expressly provided in this Agreement: (A) the Lessee is acquiring the Mineral Leases on an "as is-where is" basis without representation and warranty; (B) the Lessee has performed its own due diligence and it has not relied on any data, information, statement or advice provided to the Lessee by the Lessor; and (C) in agreeing to enter into this Agreement and to consummate the transactions hereby contemplated, the Lessee has relied on its own due diligence and evaluations in respect of the Fee Lands.

#### (g) Waiver of Rights and Remedies.

Except for its specific rights under this Agreement, the Lessee hereby waives all rights and remedies, whether now existing or hereafter arising and including all common law, tort, contractual, equitable and statutory rights and remedies, against the Lessor or the Lessor Group in respect of any representations, warranties or statements made, or information or data furnished, to the Lessee, in connection herewith or otherwise, whether made or furnished by the Lessor, the Lessor Group or Third Parties and whether made or furnished or ally or by electronic, faxed, written or other means.

#### 6. Dispositions.

Except as provided for in Subclause 6(a) (Dispositions by the Lessor) and Subclause 6(b) (Dispositions by the Lessee), this Agreement shall not be assignable by either Party.

#### (a) Dispositions by the Lessor.

The Lessor may, in its absolute discretion, at any time Dispose of all or any portion of its interest in the Fee Lands to a Third Party; provided, however, that an associated interest in this Agreement is concurrently Disposed of to such Third Party. The Lessor shall, in connection with any such Disposition, provide Notice to the Lessee.

#### (b) Dispositions by the Lessee.

Provided it is not in Default hereunder, the Lessee may, with the prior written consent of the Lessor, Dispose of all or any portion of its interest in this Agreement, which consent shall not be unreasonably or arbitrarily withheld. The Lessor shall be deemed to have consented to the Disposition to the proposed Disposee, unless, within twenty (20) days of receipt of Notice requesting the Lessor's consent to such Disposition, the Lessor advises the Lessee, by Notice, that it is not prepared to consent to such Disposition. The Lessor may withhold its consent to such a Disposition if it has a commercially reasonable belief that the Disposition would have a material adverse effect on it, including a commercially reasonable belief that the proposed Dispose does not have the financial capability to meet prospective obligations under this Agreement or that the Disposition by the Lessee of an interest in this Agreement shall relieve the Lessee from its accrued obligations, responsibilities or liabilities to the Lessor under this Agreement and the Lessor shall have the option to claim payment or performance of such accrued obligations, responsibilities or liabilities or such accrued obligations, responsibilities or liabilities and the Lessor and the Lessor shall have the option to claim payment or performance of such accrued obligations, responsibilities or liabilities and the Lessor and the Lessor and the Lessor shall have the option to claim payment or performance of such accrued obligations, responsibilities or liabilities and the Lessor and the

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# (c) Assignment Procedure.

The Assignment Procedure is incorporated into this Agreement by this reference and shall apply as if it had been included as a Schedule to this Agreement, with respect to any assignment of any interest in this Agreement.

# 7. Dispute Resolution.

# (a) Consultation and Negotiation in Good Faith.

The Parties will attempt to resolve any dispute between them arising under this Agreement through consultation and negotiation in good faith.

# 8. General Provisions.

#### (a) Entire Agreement.

This Agreement and the Mineral Leases supersede all other agreements, documents, writings and verbal understandings between the Parties relating to the Fee Lands other than the Mineral Leases, this Agreement constitutes and expresses the entire agreement of the Parties with respect thereto. No implied liability, responsibility or obligation of any kind is created or shall arise by reason of this Agreement or by reason of anything contained in this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Lessor and the Lessee recognize that the terms of this Agreement may be modified or affected by Applicable Laws or by the actions of Governmental Authorities.

# (b) Further Assurances.

From time to time, as and when reasonably requested by a Party, the other Party shall do and perform all such acts, and execute and deliver or cause to be executed and delivered all such documents and instruments, and give or cause to be given such assurances as may be necessary to give effect to this Agreement. All such further actions, documents or instruments and assurances shall be taken, delivered and given for no additional consideration other than reimbursement of any costs or expenses reasonably incurred by the Party performing such further actions, providing such further documents or instruments, or giving such further assurances, by the Party at whose request those actions were performed, documents or instruments were delivered or assurances given.

#### (c) Amendments.

This Agreement shall not be varied or amended by oral agreement or by representations or otherwise other than by an instrument in writing dated subsequent to the Effective Date, and executed by a duly authorized Representative of each Party.

# (d) Waiver.

No waiver by a Party of any right arising pursuant to this Agreement, including this Subclause 8(d) (Waiver), shall take effect or be binding upon that Party unless the waiver is expressed by an instrument in writing, dated subsequent to the Effective Date, executed by a duly authorized Representative of the Party making such waiver, and Notice thereof is provided to the other Party. Any waiver so given shall extend only to the particular right so waived and shall not limit or affect any rights with respect to any other or future right. No failure on the part of a Party in exercising any right or remedy under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any right or remedy in law or in equity or by statute or otherwise conferred.

#### (e) Joint and Several Liability.

If the Lessee consists of two or more Persons, such Persons shall be jointly and severally liable for the due performance of the Terms & Conditions of the Lessee hereunder. The Persons comprising the Lessee shall by Notice jointly designate an "Operator" to receive and serve Notices on behalf of all of the Persons comprising the Lessee. Delivery of any Notice to such "Operator" shall be deemed delivery of such Notice to all of the Persons comprising the Lessee. The Persons comprising the Lessee shall be entitled to change the designated "Operator" by joint Notice to the Lessor.

# (f) Extension of Limitation Periods.

For the purpose of determining any applicable limitation periods, and provided that Applicable Laws permit an extension thereof, all limitation periods shall be extended to four (4) years from the date that the claim arose, irrespective of whether the claimant was aware of the material facts which gave rise to the claim or not.

#### (g) No Set-Off Rights.

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as permitting the Lessee to set-off any payments due under this Agreement to the Lessor against any payments due by the Lessor to the Lessee under any other agreement or arrangement, notwithstanding any principle of legal, contractual or equitable set-off.

#### (h) Notices.

#### (i) Physical Delivery.

A Notice shall be sufficiently given hereunder if delivered by hand or by courier to a Party at its Address for Service. Such Notice shall be deemed received by the receiving Party when actually delivered, if such delivery is during that Party's normal business hours on any Business Day. If such Notice is not delivered during the receiving Party's normal business hours, such Notice shall be deemed to have been received by the Party on the next Business Day.

#### (ii) Delivery by Post.

A Notice shall be sufficiently given hereunder if sent by mail, postage prepaid, to a Party at its Address for Service. Such Notice shall be deemed received by the receiving Party on the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Business Day following the date of mailing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if postal service is interrupted or operating with unusual or imminent delay, Notices shall not be sent by such means during such interruption or period of delay.

#### (iii) Electronic Transmission.

A Notice shall be sufficiently given hereunder to a Party which has provided a facsimile number or email address as part of its Address for Service, if sent by electronic means to the Party's designated facsimile number or email address. Such Notice shall be deemed received by the receiving Party when actually received, if the electronic transmission is during the receiving Party's normal business hours on any Business Day. If such Notice is not received during the receiving Party's normal business hours, such Notice shall be deemed to have been received by the Party on the next Business Day.

#### (iv) Notices in Writing.

In order to be valid, a Notice must be in writing.

# (i) Costs and Expenses of Transaction.

Except as specifically provided for in this Agreement, all legal and other costs and expenses incurred in connection with this Agreement and the transaction hereby contemplated shall be paid by the Party which incurred such costs and expenses.

#### (j) Parties Free to Conduct Business.

Each Party acknowledges that the other Party is engaged in the business of acquiring, leasing, exploring for, developing, processing, transporting and marketing hydrocarbon substances. Except as specifically provided for in this Agreement, each Party is free to conduct its business in such manner as it, in its sole discretion, sees fit, even if it is, or may be, in competition with the other Party. Nothing in this Agreement restricts a Party from making elections or decisions in what it perceives to be its own interest, economic or otherwise, subject to any trust, trust duty or fiduciary relationship imposed at law or in equity, to any duty

of good faith or similar duty contemplated under this Agreement, and to the other provisions of this Agreement obligating a Party not to exercise discretion unreasonably.

# (k) Time of the Essence.

Time shall in all respects be of the essence in this Agreement.

# (I) Governing Law.

This Agreement shall, in all respects, be subject to, and interpreted, construed and enforced in accordance with and under, the Applicable Laws in effect in the Province in which the Fee Lands are situated and the Applicable Laws of Canada. Subject to Clause 7 (Dispute Resolution), each of the Parties irrevocably attorn and submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of such Province and courts of appeal therefrom, in respect of all matters arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.

# (m) Partial Invalidity.

If any Term & Condition of this Agreement is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other Term & Condition of this Agreement and this Agreement shall be construed as if the invalid, illegal or unenforceable Term & Condition had never been contained herein unless the deletion of the Term & Condition would result in such a material change so as to cause the granting of this Agreement to be unreasonable, or would materially impair the economic benefits or protections to be derived by a Party from this Agreement taken as a whole. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the rates of interest contemplated by this Agreement exceed the maximum allowable rate of interest under Applicable Laws, such rates of interest shall be deemed to be equal to the maximum allowable rate of interest under Applicable Laws.

# (n) Interest.

The Lessee shall pay to the Lessor interest, compounded and computed monthly, at the prime commercial lending rate of interest charged by The Royal Bank of Canada to its most credit worthy customers, plus two percent (2%), per annum on all monies overdue under the terms of this Agreement, accruing from the date owing to the date upon which the monies are actually received by the Lessor, with the interest to be payable by the Lessee without demand therefor, and to be payable both before and after judgment.

# (o) Force Majeure.

Compliance with any of the obligations of a Party hereunder shall be suspended while, and so long as, and to the extent that, such Party is reasonably prevented from complying with such obligations in whole or in part, by an event of Force Majeure. A Party claiming suspension shall make commercially reasonable efforts to remedy any such event of Force Majeure, provided however that such Party shall not be required against its will to settle any labour dispute. The Party claiming suspension shall give Notice, including reasonably full particulars, of the cause of such suspension, to the other Party within a reasonable time after the occurrence thereof. The compliance with such obligations shall begin or be resumed within a reasonable

time after such cause has been removed. The time periods specified in this Agreement shall be extended by the Force Majeure Period.

# (p) Enurement.

The Terms & Conditions of this Agreement shall be regarded for all purposes to be covenants running with the Fee Lands, and shall be binding upon and shall enure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors, receivers, receiver-managers, trustees, administrators and permitted assigns. Subject to Applicable Laws, the Parties acknowledge that this Agreement shall be caveatable under the land registration systems in effect in the Province in which the Fee Lands are situated and enforceable against the Lessor and its successors, receivers, re

# (q) Relationship of Parties.

The Parties expressly deny that it is their intention to create, by virtue of this Agreement, any type of incorporated venture, any general or other type of partnership between or among the Parties, or any similar arrangement.

# (r) Damages.

Under no circumstances shall any Party be liable to another Party for any special, indirect, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages whatsoever suffered, sustained, paid or incurred by such Party including loss of revenue, loss of profit or business interruption losses or damages under or in connection with this Agreement or the transactions or Operations hereby contemplated.

# (s) Term.

This Agreement shall apply as of the Effective Date and shall remain in force and effect until: (i) the date upon which the Lessee's right to exercise the Option expires; and (ii) the Lessor has issued all of the Mineral Leases to be issued by it hereunder to the Lessee; provided, however, that nothing in this Subclause 8(s) (Term) shall relieve the Parties from any obligation, responsibility or liability that accrued under this Agreement prior to such termination.

# (t) Counterpart Execution and Electronic Delivery.

This Agreement may be executed in counterpart, and may be delivered by facsimile, email or other electronic means in as many separate counterparts as the Parties consider necessary. Each counterpart, when executed by a Party and delivered to the other Party, shall be considered to be an original execution counterpart to this Agreement. All such counterparts when taken together shall constitute one (1) and the same document. A facsimile, email or other electronic version of a counterpart executed and delivered by a Party shall be sufficient evidence of the execution and delivery by the Party of this Agreement, provided that an original is delivered to the other Party within a reasonable time following such facsimile, email or other electronic delivery.

#### (u) Electronic Signatures

The Parties hereby consent to the use of electronic signatures and agree that this Agreement and all agreements and documents required or desirable to give effect to this Agreement and the transaction may be executed by electronic means and transmitted to the other Party or Parties and their counsel by facsimile, e-mail or other form of electronic transmission in accordance with Subclause 8(h), and any such electronic execution and delivery is equivalent to the delivery of print versions of the documents bearing manual ink signatures.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the Parties have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below.

The Lessor HERITAGE ROYALTY RESOURCE CORP.		The Lessee IMPERIAL NATURAL GAS CORP.		
Per: Position:	Chris Worden Manager, Land	Per: Position:	David Johnson CEO	
Date:	3/16/2021	Date:	3/16/2021	
Lessor's Address: Facsimile:	710, 215 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street SW Calgary, AB T2P 1M4	Lessee's Address: Facsimile:	500, 736 – 8 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2P 1H4	

HRRC	Set Up/Drafted by	Date	Validated by	Date
Source Doc	Кр	2021-3-16	MW	2021/03/16
LandRite	kp	2021-3-16		

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# SCHEDULE "A" TO A LEASE ISSUANCE AGREEMENT

#### FEE LANDS

Land Description	Rights	~Gross Hectares	~Gross Acres
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 16	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 17	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 18	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 19	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 20	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 21	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 22	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 27	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 28	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 29	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 30	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640

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T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 32	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 33	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 34	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 11 W4M SEC 35	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 1	Natural Gas below base Nisku	261.60	646
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 2	Natural Gas below base Nisku	261.20	645
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 3	Natural Gas below base Nisku	260.80	644
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 4	Natural Gas below base Nisku	260.80	644
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 9	Natural Gas below base Nisku	260.80	644
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 10	Natural Gas below base Nisku	260.80	644
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 11	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 12	Natural Gas below base Nisku	260.80	644
T 19 R 12 W4M PTN SEC 13	Natural Gas below base Nisku	239.27	591.46
T 19 R 12 W4M PTN SEC 14	Natural Gas below base Nisku	246.00	608.479

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T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 15	Natural Gas below base Nisku	259.80	642
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 16	Natural Gas below base Nisku	259.80	642
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 21	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 22	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 23	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 24	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 25	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 26	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 27	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 28	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 19 R 12 W4M SEC 33	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 1	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 2	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 3	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640

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T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 4	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 5	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 8	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 9	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 10	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 11	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 12	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 13	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 14	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 15	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 16	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 17	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 19	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 20	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640

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T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 21	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 22	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 23	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 24	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 25	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 26	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 27	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 34	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 35	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 11 W4M SEC 36	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 12 W4M SEC 9	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 12 W4M N 10	Natural Gas below base Nisku	129.40	320
T 20 R 12 W4M SEC 13	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640
T 20 R 12 W4M SEC 14	Natural Gas below base Nisku	258.80	640

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T 20 R 12 W4M S 15 T 20 R 12 W4M SEC 24 Natural Gas below base Nisku		258.80	320 
	~total	17,583.27	43,474.94

# SCHEDULE "B" TO A LEASE ISSUANCE AGREEMENT

#### LEASE TERMS

Said Lands:	The Fee Lands with Mineral Leases to be issued on a full section basis
Demised Estate/Leased Substances:	All available natural gas below base Nisku
Effective Date:	May 31, 2021
Primary Term:	3 years
Lessor Royalty:	4.25%, no deductions
Initial Consideration:	\$875,000.00
Annual Rental:	\$6.75/ha
Lessee's Share of Mineral Taxes:	100%

# SCHEDULE "C" TO A LEASE ISSUANCE AGREEMENT

#### FORM OF MINERAL LEASE

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Lease File:

# MINERAL LEASE

# SPECIFIC TERMS

Lessor is the beneficial or registered owner of the Leased Lands and Lessee desires to lease the Leased Formations underlying the Leased Lands. Lessor and Lessee each agree to be bound by the terms of this Lease, incorporating by reference the Lease's General Terms and Conditions, and the following Specific Terms:

		Parties	
"Lessor"			"Lessee"
HERITAGE ROYALTY RESOURCE CORP., a body corporate with an office		PARTY	, a body corporate with an office in the City of CALGARY, in the
in the City of CALGARY, in the Province of	of ALBERTA	NAME	Province of ALBERTA
710, 215 - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street SW			
CALGARY, ALBERTA		ADDRESS	
T2P 1M4			
Attention: Land Department			Attention: Land Department
	Ş	SpecificTerms	3
TERM	MEANS		
Lease Date			
Leased Lands	The following described land <b>Twp Rge W</b> Containing hectares r	d in the Provinc <b>M:</b> nore or less	e of Alberta: <b>Sec</b>
Leased Substances			
Excluded Substances			
Leased Formations	Means the following formations underlying the Leased Lands that are stratigraphically equivalent to the formations occurring between the depths identified in the applicable type log set out below:		
Туре Log			
Initial Consideration			
Royalty (for calculation of Royalty per Appendix I)	%		
Primary Term			
Rental	\$ /hectare		
	Sp	ecial Provisio	ns
The attached Mineral Lease General Ter	ms and Conditions are amende	d as follows:	
Clause No.			
Revised Terms			
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Clause No.			
Revised Terms			
☐ YES or ☐ NO If Yes is selected, the Lea any waiver of Clause 7.1, Clause 7.4 will, at a		agreement wher	e third party may serve offset notices. If so, notwithstanding

#### NOTICE TO LESSEE:

If the Certificate of Title related to the Leased Lands is uncertified, pursuant to Article 21 of the Mineral Lease General Terms and Conditions, HRRC does not warranty, guarantee or covenant the certainty of its fee simple title interest. Accordingly, HRRC will not be liable to Lessee for any losses, damages, costs or expenses incurred by Lessee for whatever reason as a result of the failure or cancellation of such title at any time, including the refund of any consideration, rental or royalty paid to HRRC.

#### Signature

Lessor and Lessee have executed this Lease to be effective on the Lease Date.

#### LESSOR: HERITAGE ROYALTY RESOURCE CORP.

LESSEE:

Name: \_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_

Per:\_

Per: \_\_\_\_

Name:\_

HRRC Approvals		
Land Analyst		
Area Land Manager		
Delegate <sup>(1)</sup>		

#### MINERAL LEASE

# General Terms and Conditions

(HRRC 2017)

#### MINERAL LEASE General Terms and Conditions (HRRC 2017)

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APPENDIX I ROYALTY CALCULATIONS

#### ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS, INTERPRETATION AND DRAFTING

#### 1.1 Definitions

In this Lease, including this clause and Appendix I attached to this Lease:

- (a) "Affiliate" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Business Corporations Act (Alberta);
- (b) **"Appendix I"** means the appendix attached to these Mineral Lease General Terms and Conditions entitled Appendix I Royalty Calculations;
- (c) "Bitumen" means Petroleum that is a naturally occurring solid or semi-solid hydrocarbon having a relative density less than ten degrees (10°) API and a viscosity greater than ten thousand (10,000) centipoises, measured at the original reservoir temperature and at atmospheric pressure on a gas-free basis, that will not flow to a well in its natural state;
- (d) **"Business Day"** means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or statutory holiday in the Province of Alberta, Canada;
- (e) "Coal" means the heterogeneous mixture of organic constituents (primarily decomposed plants), inorganic mineral matter and inherent moisture resulting from the coalification process and includes the coal matrix and any substances, including Leased Substances, created through the manufacturing or conversion of coal through any in situ process;
- (f) **"Coal Bed Methane"** or **"CBM"** means Natural Gas that is contained in a Coal seam deposit;
- (g) **"Continuation Application Form"** means the online submission form as found on the Lessor's Website named 'Lease Continuation Application' to be used by the Lessee at the relevant time when making application for continuation of this Lease;
- (h) **"Default"** means a breach, non-observance or non-performance on the part of the Lessee of any covenant, proviso, condition, restriction or stipulation contained in this Lease, including without limitation an Operational Default or a Payment Default;
- (i) "Drilling Operations" means (i) spudding a well or (ii) re-entering an abandoned well or zone and thereafter diligently and continuously carrying out the drilling or re-entry operations to fully evaluate all penetrated or re-entered Formations to the extent reasonably necessary to determine whether Leased Substances can be produced from such well or zone in Paying Quantities, and including operations conducted thereafter for the commencement of Production Operations or abandonment of that well under the provisions of Article 18, and includes all related incidental acts;
- (j) "Environmental Liability" means any liability, responsibility or obligation arising out of this Lease in respect of the environment (whether surface, subsurface, soil, air, water, surface water, wet lands or marine environments), including any and all environmental damage, contamination or other environmental problems on, under or associated with the Leased Lands or resulting from operations conducted thereon or related thereto, however and by whomsoever caused, and whether caused by any non-compliance with or a breach of the applicable Regulations or otherwise, including without limitation:
  - (i) any release of any Hazardous Materials;
  - (ii) any abandonment and reclamation obligations;
  - (iii) the restoration, cleanup or reclamation of or failure to restore, cleanup or reclaim any part of the Leased Lands or the surface or subsurface thereof;
  - (iv) the removal or failure to remove any foundations, substances or Equipment including any costs incurred to clean-up, decommission, abandon, decontaminate and reclaim the Leased Lands or any other lands from the effects resulting from any of the foregoing; and
  - (v) any damages or losses suffered by third parties as a result of any of the occurrences described in this Subclause 1.1(j);

- (k) **"Equipment"** means all machinery, buildings, structures, equipment, appliances and materials that the Lessee may have placed or caused to be placed in a well, on a wellsite or the Leased Lands for the purpose of producing Leased Substances;
- (I) **"Event of Force Majeure"** has the meaning as set out in Article 25;
- (m) "Excluded Substances" means those substances specified under the term "Excluded Substances" in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms and includes any other minerals held under the same fee title that are not incidentally produced in trace amounts with the Leased Substances or any substances that are injected into a Leased Formation and subsequently produced in association with the Leased Substances;
- (n) "Field Condensate" means a mixture of primarily pentanes and heavier hydrocarbons that are dissolved with Natural Gas or Solution Gas at their virgin reservoir conditions and condenses from a vapor to a liquid upon certain changes to temperature or pressure in the reservoir or at surface and are extracted or separated from the Natural Gas or Solution Gas prior to the gas stream entering a processing, extraction or fractionation facility;
- (o) "Formation" means a subsurface interval of rock strata that can be or is correlated and delineated as a lithostratigraphic unit based on its relative lithologic properties and stratigraphic position and, for purposes of this Lease, also means any named subdivision of such a lithostratigraphic unit that can be or is distinguishable apart from other members for purposes of recovering the Leased Substances;
- (p) **"Freehold Mineral Tax"** means the taxing or levying of fees in accordance with:
  - (i) in Alberta, the *Freehold Mineral Rights Tax Act*, Chapter F-26 RSA 2000;
  - (ii) in Saskatchewan, *The Mineral Rights Tax Regulations*, 1998 (Mineral Taxation Act, 1983), and *The Freehold Oil and Gas Production Tax Act*, Chapter F-22.11 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 2010 (effective April 1, 2012, subsections 35(3) and (4) effective May 25, 2012); and
  - (iii) in Manitoba, the *Oil and Gas Production Tax Act*, C.C.S.M. c. 037, or any replacement, similar or additional legislation;
- (q) "Fuel Gas" means that portion of the Leased Substances used as fuel to operate Equipment and facilities for the production, transportation, treating and processing of Leased Substances upstream of the Royalty Determination Point, provided that the portion of the Leased Substances determined to be used from any given well is based on the percentage that the volume of production from such well bears to the total volume of production from all wells handled together through that Equipment or facility in each month;
- (r) "Hazardous Materials" means:
  - any Petroleum or Petroleum products, by-products, breakdown products or waste, Solution Gas, Natural Gas, Natural Gas Liquids, flammable explosives, radioactive materials, urea formaldehyde foam insulation and material containing asbestos or polychlorinated biphenyls all or any of which may be prohibited, limited or regulated by Regulations; and
  - (ii) any other chemicals, materials, substances or wastes prohibited, limited or regulated by Regulations, or present in concentrations or at locations that present a threat to human health or the environment;
- (s) **"Horizontal Well"** means a single wellbore with one or more horizontal legs drilled with an inclination of at least 80 degrees from vertical into a Formation and thereafter laterally along the same stratigraphic interval, including a well that is classified or approved as a horizontal well pursuant to the Regulations, but specifically excluding a well deviated or drilled directionally from the surface location to reach a bottom hole location at different coordinates to obtain production from the same vertical section of the Formation;

- (t) **"HZ Allocation Procedure"** means the allocation of production from the horizontal leg(s) of a Horizontal Well, expressed as a percentage, that is calculated based on (i) the Productive Section of one or more horizontal legs of such Horizontal Well measured within the boundaries of the Leased Lands *divided by* (ii) the total measured length of the Productive Section of all those horizontal legs of such Horizontal Well;
- (u) **"Initial Consideration"** means the sum of money or other consideration specified under the term "Initial Consideration" in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms;
- (v) "Lease" means, collectively:
  - (i) the Mineral Lease Specific Terms; and
  - (ii) these Mineral Lease General Terms and Conditions, including Appendix I;
- (w) "Lease Assignment" means the document named 'Assignment of HRRC Fee Lease' to be used by the Lessee in the form as found on the Lessor's Website at the relevant time when preparing an assignment of this Lease;
- (x) **"Lease Date"** means the date specified in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms and is the effective date of this Lease;
- (y) "Leased Formations" means the Formation or Formations set out in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms underlying the Leased Lands, as amended at any time in accordance with the terms of this Lease, or so much of those Formations as remain subject to this Lease at any time and excludes any intervals specifically excluded in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms;
- (z) **"Leased Lands"** means the lands and number of hectares described in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms, as amended at any time in accordance with the terms of this Lease, or so much of those lands and hectares as remains subject to this Lease at any time, and, for purposes of interpretation of this Lease, any reference to Leased Lands shall also include the related Pooled Lands or Unitized Lands, as applicable;
- (aa) "Leased Substances" means those substances, naturally occurring and contained within the Leased Formations, that are specified in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms excluding any Excluded Substances, or any of them that remain subject to this Lease at the applicable time. When Natural Gas is listed on the Mineral Lease Specific Terms as a Leased Substance and continues to remain subject to this Lease, it shall include its associated Field Condensate, Natural Gas Liquids, Sulphur and Other Substances as are determined under the Regulations to be attributable to the owner of natural gas mineral rights only. When Petroleum is listed on the Mineral Lease Specific Terms as a Leased Substance and continues to remain subject to this Lease, it shall include its associated Solution Gas, Field Condensate, Natural Gas Liquids, Sulphur and Other Substances as are determined under the Regulations to be attributable to the owner of petroleum mineral rights only. For certainty, the Leased Substances for which Drilling Operations or Production Operations are being conducted for the purpose of continuing this Lease beyond expiry of the Primary Term, or for an Offset Satisfying Well, will be Natural Gas if the well is classified under the Regulations as a gas well and will be Petroleum if the well is classified under the Regulations as an oil well;
- (bb) "Lessee" means the Party designated as such in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms;
- (cc) "Lessor" means the Party designated as such in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms;
- (dd) **"Lessor's Website"** means <u>http://www.heritageroyalty.ca</u> or any future websites or other electronic access as directed by the Lessor at any time;
- (ee) "Mineral Lease Specific Terms" means the form entitled "Mineral Lease Specific Terms" which sets out specific terms and conditions of this Lease in addition to the general terms and conditions contained in this form;
- (ff) **"Natural Gas"** means a mixture of primarily methane and ethane that is not Solution Gas and that is in a gaseous state at both the virgin reservoir conditions and at surface conditions, and which may be contaminated with Sulphur and mixed in solution with

Natural Gas Liquids within the reservoir, which is inclusive of CBM and helium if not listed as an Excluded Substance;

- (gg) **"Natural Gas Liquids"** means those heavier hydrocarbon components found in solution with Natural Gas or Solution Gas in the reservoir and recovered or recoverable through extraction and separation from the gas stream at a processing, extraction or fractionation facility, including, but not limited to, ethane, propane, butanes and pentanes plus;
- (hh) **"Offset Formation"** means that same Formation from which production is being obtained from an Offset Triggering Well as is also comprised within the Leased Formations;
- (ii) "Offset Election Period" means a period of six (6) months from either (i) the date of this Lease with respect to any Offset Triggering Well obtaining production at the date of this Lease or (ii) from the date of any Offset Triggering Well being placed on production after the date of this Lease;
- (jj) **"Offset Satisfying Well"** means, in respect of any Offset Triggering Well, a well on or within a Spacing Unit comprised of the Leased Lands that laterally or diagonally adjoins the Offset Spacing Unit which:
  - (i) is obtaining production of the Leased Substances from the Offset Formation from a well classified under the Regulations as the same well product type as the Offset Triggering Well; or
  - (ii) commences production of the Leased Substances from the Offset Formation of the same kind as is being obtained from the Offset Triggering Well after commencement of production from the Offset Triggering Well; or
  - (iii) was drilled or reentered and evaluated after commencement of production from the Offset Triggering Well to determine that the Leased Substances of the same kind as is being obtained from Offset Triggering Well are not capable of being produced in Paying Quantities from the Offset Formation within that Spacing Unit,

provided that a Horizontal Well shall only be considered an Offset Satisfying Well drilled within any such Spacing Unit of the Leased Lands if the Productive Section of the horizontal leg, or any one of the horizontal legs, calculated in accordance with the HZ Allocation Procedure, covers not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the distance between the boundaries of such Spacing Unit and, further provided, any continuation of that Spacing Unit of the Leased Lands containing such portion of the horizontal leg(s) remains subject to the provisions of Clause 12.1 if such minimum length is not within the on-target drilling area of such Spacing Unit as prescribed under the Regulations for production from a vertical well;

- (kk) **"Offset Spacing Unit"** means any Spacing Unit laterally or diagonally adjoining a Spacing Unit wholly or partially comprised of the Leased Lands, as is applicable to the well product type classification of the Offset Triggering Well;
- (II) "Offset Triggering Well" means any well drilled before or after the Lease Date on or within any Offset Spacing Unit, where the lands in that Offset Spacing Unit are not owned by Lessor or, if owned by Lessor, are not under lease to Lessee and such well is obtaining production of the same kind of substance as is the Leased Substances from a Formation that is comprised within the Leased Formations;
- (mm) "Operational Default" has the meaning set forth in Clause 24.2(a);
- (nn) "Other Substances" means any substances that are found naturally in the reservoir with the Leased Substances and are incidentally produced in trace amounts with the Leased Substances but are not an Excluded Substance;
- (oo) "Party" means either the Lessor or the Lessee and "Parties" means both the Lessor and the Lessee collectively;
- (pp) **"Paying Quantities"** means a sustainable quantity of Leased Substances from a well that is sufficient to provide a reasonable profit for the Lessee and generate a reasonable

Royalty for the Lessor taking into consideration all factors including the operating costs, the kind and quality of production, the availability of markets, the market price to be received, and the Royalty or other royalties and burdens payable;

- (qq) "Payment Default" has the meaning set forth in Clause 24.2(a);
- (rr) **"Person"** means an individual, or their heirs, executors, administrators or other legal representatives, a partnership, a corporation, a trust or a joint venture;
- (ss) **"Petroleum"**, also otherwise known as crude oil (inclusive of Heavy Oil and Bitumen if not listed as an Excluded Substance), means a mixture mainly of hydrocarbons heavier than pentanes that are in a liquid, solid or semi-solid state at both the prevailing reservoir conditions and at surface conditions, which are not derived from but may be found in association with Natural Gas or Solution Gas in the reservoir and which may contain Sulphur;
- (tt) **"Pooled Lands"** means the Leased Lands or any portion of the Leased Lands and any other lands that are pooled with the Leased Lands or any portion of the Leased Lands to form a Spacing Unit in accordance with Article 11;
- (uu) **"Primary Term"** means the period specified in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms from and including the Lease Date;
- (vv) "Production Operations" means any of the following:
  - (i) production of Leased Substances in Paying Quantities;
  - (ii) well completion or re-completion operations, including the testing and installation of the production casing, tubing and wellhead equipment and all other equipment and material necessary for the permanent preparation of a well for the production of Leased Substances in Paying Quantities;
  - (iii) equipping and tie-in of a well for the purpose of obtaining production of Leased Substances in Paying Quantities from that well;
  - (iv) reworking, fracture stimulating, acidizing or stimulating a well for the purpose of obtaining or increasing production of Leased Substances in Paying Quantities from that well; or
  - (v) maintaining, repairing or replacing Equipment, facilities or pipelines used for the production, gathering, treating or processing of Leased Substances,

provided any cessation of production operations described in Subclauses (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) above for a period of greater than sixty (60) days is subject to Article 4;

- (ww) **"Productive Section"** means the measurement from the first point of entry of the section of the horizontal leg of a Horizontal Well into the interval of the Formation from which the production is obtained to the termination point of that horizontal leg as drilled or permanently plugged back to at the time of drilling or initial completion, or to such other termination point of that horizontal leg of a Horizontal Well from which production is reasonably expected to be obtained at the time of initial completion;
- (xx) "Regulations" means any statute, law, bylaw, rule, regulation, policy, order, information letter, interim directive, general bulletin, guideline, notice requirements or other legislation of any kind in effect at any time and made by governments or governmental agencies having jurisdiction over the Leased Lands, the Drilling Operations or the Production Operations and any environmental requirements or other operations incidental thereto, including any judicial or administrative order, written request, consent decree or judgment or any provision or condition of any permit, licence, approval or other operating authorization;
- (yy) "Rental" is the amount specified in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms;
- (zz) "Representatives" means in respect of a Party:
  - (i) its Affiliates; and

- (ii) each of its respective directors, officers, employees, agents, advisors, consultants and representatives retained by that Party;
- (aaa) **"Royalty"** means that royalty interest reserved out of the Leased Substances obtained from the Leased Lands as provided for in Article 5;
- (bbb) **"Royalty Data Requirement Sheet"** means the document named 'Royalty Data Requirement Sheet' to be used by the Lessee in the form as found on the Lessor's Website at the relevant time when submitting royalty data to the Lessor;
- (ccc) **"Royalty Determination Point"** has the meaning as set forth in Appendix I attached hereto;
- (ddd) **"Solution Gas"** means a mixture of primarily ethane and methane that are dissolved in solution with Petroleum and Natural Gas Liquids at their virgin reservoir conditions and is gaseous at surface conditions, and which may be contaminated with Sulphur;
- (eee) "Spacing Unit" means, as applicable to the classification of a well under the Regulations:
  - (i) for any well that is not a Horizontal Well, that area of land required to be held in common by the working interest owners in that well, as defined or prescribed by or under the Regulations, for the drilling, re-entry or production of that well; and
  - (ii) for purposes of this Lease relating to a Horizontal Well and subject to Clause 12.1, means any such same area of land that would apply to a vertical well located where any portion of the Productive Section of the horizontal leg(s) of a Horizontal Well is located;
- (fff) **"Sulphur"** means elemental sulphur recovered from the hydrogen-sulfide contained within the Natural Gas, Solution Gas or Petroleum by processing the Natural Gas, Solution Gas or Petroleum;
- (ggg) **"Technical Review Request Form"** means the online submission form as found on Lessor's Website named 'Technical Review Request Form' to be used by the Lessee at the relevant time when submitting a request to the Lessor pursuant to Clause 2.5;
- (hhh) **"Unitized Lands"** means lands that are unitized under a plan of unitization consented to in writing by the Lessor and is reduced to a formal unit agreement that allocates production from an area greater than a single Spacing Unit; and
- (iii) **"Well Data Requirement Sheet"** means the document named 'Well Data Requirement Sheet' to be used by the Lessee in the form as found on the Lessor's Website at the relevant time when submitting well data to the Lessor.

#### 1.2 Interpretation

Unless otherwise stated or the context otherwise requires, in this Lease:

- (a) the terms "in writing" or "written" include hand or type written, electronically printed or transmitted by facsimile, email or fax;
- (b) when the context reasonably permits, words importing the singular shall be construed to suggest the plural and vice versa, and words importing gender or gender neutrality shall be construed to suggest the masculine, feminine and neutral genders;
- (c) if a term is defined in this Lease, a derivative of that term used in this Lease shall have a corresponding meaning;
- (d) the terms "herein", "hereby", "hereof", "hereunder", "hereto" and similar expressions mean or refer to this Lease and not to any particular provision of this Lease;
- (e) "including" and "includes" or similar words when followed by any general statement, term or matter, shall mean "including without limitation" and "includes without limitation" and such particular listed words that follow shall not be interpreted so as to be an exhaustive list but rather such references shall be construed to refer to all items

that could reasonably fall within the broadest possible scope of such general statement, term or matter;

- (f) the division of this Lease into articles, sections, subsections, clauses, subclauses, paragraphs or other sub-divisions and the insertion of headings for any of the foregoing or the use of a table of contents, as applicable, are solely for convenience of reference and are not intended to be full or accurate descriptions of the contents hereof and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Lease;
- (g) reference to an article, section, subsection, clause, subclause, paragraph, schedule or appendix, whether or not capitalized or followed by a number or letter or combination thereof, refers to the applicable article, section, subsection, clause, subclause, paragraph, schedule or appendix of or to this Lease, unless otherwise specifically stated;
- (h) reference to any Party includes such Party's permitted successors and assigns;
- (i) reference to any Person in a particular capacity is and is deemed to be a reference to that Person in that capacity and not in any other capacity;
- (j) reference to any other contract, agreement, document or instrument is a reference to such contract, agreement, document or instrument in effect at the applicable time as amended, supplemented, replaced or otherwise varied or modified, in whole or in part, from time to time;
- (k) reference to any law, statute or any other requirement of law, including Regulations, rules, enactments, by-laws or other ancillary legislation promulgated thereunder, or any reference to a section or provision thereof or to any government consent, approval, permit or other authorization, means such as is in effect at the applicable time as amended, supplemented, codified, replaced, restated, re-enacted or otherwise varied or modified, in whole or in part, from time to time;
- terms and expressions that are not specifically defined in this Lease, but which have generally accepted meanings in the custom and usage of the petroleum and natural gas industry in Western Canada as of the date of this Lease, shall have such generally accepted meanings when used in this Lease unless the contrary is specified or provided for elsewhere in this Lease;
- (m) unless otherwise indicated, reference to a particular time refers to Mountain Standard Time or Mountain Daylight Savings Time during the respective periods in which each is in force in Alberta and reference to a date means that day occurring during such same time zone as is in force in Alberta;
- unless otherwise specified herein, or as the context may require, computation of any period of time referred to in this Lease shall exclude the first day and include the last day of such period;
- (o) where any payment is to be calculated or made, or an action is to be taken or notice is to be given on or as of a day that is not a Business Day, then unless otherwise provided herein, such payment is to be made or calculated, or that action is to be taken or the notice is to be given, as applicable, on or as of the next following Business Day;
- (p) reference to "dollars", or the use of the symbol "\$", means the lawful currency of Canada unless the contrary is specified or provided for elsewhere in this Lease; and
- (q) the rule of contractual interpretation known as "contra proferentem" shall not apply to the interpretation or construction of this Lease, such that it shall be irrelevant which Party drafted any particular provision hereof and any interpretation of the terms of this Lease shall not be construed against the Party who reduced to writing the terms of this Lease arrived at jointly by the Parties.

#### 1.3 Schedules and Appendices

Appendix I to this Lease is incorporated into and made part of this Lease as fully and effectively as if it was set forth in the body of this Lease.

#### ARTICLE 2 GRANT, CONTINUATION AND REVERSION

#### 2.1 Grant

For the Initial Consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Lessor, and in consideration of the covenants of the Lessee contained in this Lease, the Lessor does hereby grant and lease to the Lessee for the Primary Term the Leased Substances in the Leased Formations together with the exclusive right and privilege to explore and drill for, win, take, remove and dispose of the Leased Substances from the Leased Formations. This grant and lease does not include the Excluded Substances. The Lessor reserves the right to dispose of or lease any Excluded Substances or any other mineral rights not leased and granted under this Lease.

### 2.2 Permitted Injection Operations

The injection and subsequent production and recovery of injected water or any other substances is permitted on the Leased Lands, subject to Clause 5.1(b), Clause 5.1(c) and Article 13, to the extent such operations are for the purpose of, and are favorable to, obtaining, maintaining or increasing production of Leased Substances in Paying Quantities from the Leased Lands, including, without limitation, any such operations related to enhanced recovery schemes. The Lessee, however, must first obtain the Lessor's written consent prior to commencement of any such injection operations on the Leased Lands, with the Lessee giving the Lessor sufficient details describing the intended pattern of injection and recovery of Leased Substances. Thereafter, in every case, the Lessee must provide the Lessor with written notice prior to drilling or converting any well on the Leased Lands for injection purposes. The Lessor may, at any time, object to the continuation of any such injection operations if they deviate materially from the initial plan described by the Lessee and consented to by the Lessor or to the detriment of the recovery of Leased Substances from the Leased Lands. For clarity, this Lease does not grant any rights for the Lessee to inject substances into any of the Leased Formations for disposal purposes.

#### 2.3 Continuation by Production Operations At Expiry of Primary Term

If, prior to expiration of the Primary Term, the Lessor has received from the Lessee payment of the Rental for the next ensuing lease year and a completed Continuation Application Form, in accordance with and subject to Clause 2.5 and subject to any objection to or appeal thereof, this Lease shall remain in effect and continue beyond such expiration for that portion of the Leased Lands contained within the Spacing Unit of a well as with respect only to those Leased Formations within that well and the applicable Leased Substances in such Leased Formations for which Production Operations are then being diligently and continuously conducted at such expiration date. Continuation of this Lease thereafter shall be subject to Article 4 until those Leased Formations are surrendered pursuant to Article 19 or surrendered or deemed surrendered in accordance with Article 4, and subject always to sooner termination as otherwise provided for in this Lease.

#### 2.4 Continuation by Drilling Operations Over Expiry of Primary Term

If Drilling Operations are being conducted on the Leased Lands at expiration of the Primary Term, and if prior to expiration of the Primary Term the Lessor receives from the Lessee payment of the Rental for the next ensuing lease year and a Continuation Application Form completed with the relevant details to advise the Lessor that Drilling Operations are then being conducted on the Leased Lands, this Lease shall remain in effect and continue beyond expiration of the Primary Term:

- (a) for that portion of the Leased Lands within the Spacing Unit on which Drilling Operations are being conducted, as to only all those Formations to the base of the geological strata set out in the drilling licence as the target depth, and shall remain in force so long as the Drilling Operations are diligently and continuously conducted; and
- (b) after completion of those Drilling Operations, provided that the Lessor has then received from the Lessee the fully completed Continuation Application Form, in accordance with and subject to Clause 2.5, within thirty (30) days from the cessation of such Drilling Operations and subject to any objection to or appeal thereof, for that portion of the Leased Lands contained within the Spacing Unit of the well as with respect only to those Leased Formations within that well and the applicable Leased Substances in such Leased Formations for which Production Operations are then being diligently and continuously

conducted, subject thereafter to Article 4 until those Leased Formations are surrendered pursuant to Article 19 or surrendered or deemed surrendered in accordance with Article 4 and subject always to sooner termination as otherwise provided for in this Lease.

### 2.5 Continuation Application

The Lessee shall submit a Continuation Application Form to the Lessor in accordance with Clause 2.3 or Clause 2.4, as applicable, advising which Leased Lands, Leased Formations and Leased Substances are qualified for continuation beyond expiration of the Primary Term by Production Operations pursuant to Clause 2.3, or for the duration of any Drilling Operations pursuant to Subclause 2.4(a) and after completion of such Drilling Operations as provided for in Subclause 2.4(b). If the Lessor objects to the qualification of any such Leased Lands, Leased Formations and Leased Substances, the Lessee shall have a period of fifteen (15) days from its receipt of the Lessor's written notice of objection to appeal by submitting a Technical Review Request Form to the Lessor.

#### 2.6 Reversion

Any Leased Formations and Leased Substances that are not continued beyond the Primary Term pursuant to Clause 2.3, or after completion of Drilling Operations as provided for in Subclause 2.4(b), shall revert to the Lessor effective as of the expiration of the Primary Term or cessation of such Drilling Operations, as applicable.

## ARTICLE 3 <u>RENTALS</u>

**3.1** The Lessee shall pay or cause to be paid to the Lessor the annual Rental for the first year of the Primary Term in advance of the Lease Date, prorated for any incremental period of time less than a full year. For each year or partial year during the Primary Term, the Lessee shall pay or cause to be paid to the Lessor the annual Rental in advance of the anniversary date of the Lease Date. For each year or partial year this Lease is continued beyond expiry of the Primary Term, the Lessee shall pay or cause to be paid to the Lessor the Rental in advance of the date next following the expiry of the Primary Term and each annual anniversary date thereafter. The Lessee is not entitled to refunds or adjustments on Rentals owing and paid for any portion of the Lands continued beyond expiry of the Primary Term or any annual anniversary date thereafter if subsequently surrendered or terminated other than in accordance with Article 2.

#### ARTICLE 4 NON-PRODUCING FORMATIONS

#### 4.1 Non-Producing Formations

If, beyond expiration of the Primary Term, the Lessee ceases at any time to diligently and continuously conduct Production Operations in a Leased Formation within the Spacing Unit applicable to that Production Operation, or if the Lease has been continued in accordance with Subclause 7.3(d) for a period of greater than twelve (12) consecutive months beyond expiry of the Primary Term related to a Leased Formation or production has ceased from the related Offset Triggering Well in accordance with Subclause 7.3(d), then the Lessor may any time thereafter give notice to the Lessee that requires the Lessee, no later than ninety (90) days after receipt of the Lessor's notice, to:

- (a) commence, and thereafter diligently and continuously conduct Drilling Operations or Production Operations in respect of that Leased Formation within such Spacing Unit; or
- (b) surrender that Leased Formation within such Spacing Unit to the Lessor and, if other Formations within that Spacing Unit are continuing under this Lease, the Lessee shall, at its sole cost and expense, promptly plug or cement that surrendered Formation to prevent any release or flow of substances.

#### 4.2 Deemed Surrender of Non-Producing Formations

The Lessee's failure to commence Drilling Operations or Production Operations within ninety (90) days after it receives the Lessor's notice shall be deemed a surrender under Subclause 4.1(b) of that Leased Formation within such Spacing Unit as described in the Lessor's notice effective on

the ninety- first (91<sup>st</sup>) day after receipt of the Lessor's notice by the Lessee. No further documentation or agreement between the Parties shall be required to effect the surrender.

#### 4.3 Provisions of Surrender or Deemed Surrender A surrender or deemed surrender shall not:

- (a) relieve the Lessee of its obligation under Subclause 4.1(b) to plug or cement a surrendered Formation to prevent any release or flow of substances;
- (b) entitle the Lessee to a refund of any monies paid to the Lessor under this Lease; or
- (c) release the Lessee from any obligations and liabilities that may have accrued prior to the date of the surrender or deemed surrender or from its obligation and liabilities under Article 18 and Article 20.

#### 4.4 No Default Remedy for Deemed Surrender

The default remedies provided for in Article 23 shall not apply to a deemed surrender in this Article 4 and nothing in this Article 4 shall relieve the Lessee of any of its obligations in accordance with any other provisions of this Lease.

## ARTICLE 5 ROYALTY AND TAKING IN KIND

#### 5.1 Reservation of the Royalty

The Lessee shall pay a Royalty to the Lessor, in cash, for any of the Leased Substances that are produced, calculated in accordance with Appendix I and subject to Clause 12.3 and Clause 12.4, with each calculation rounded to two (2) decimal places, provided that:

- (a) no Royalty is payable on any Leased Substances that are used for Fuel Gas or flared in accordance with Regulations;
- (b) if, pursuant to Clause 2.2 or as otherwise consented to by the Lessor, any Leased Substances obtained from the Leased Lands are reinjected into the Leased Lands and are not commingled in the Formation with any other injected substance having the same properties, the Royalty shall be payable on only that portion of the total Leased Substances produced from that Formation as is sold or used for purposes other than permitted pursuant to Subclause 5.1(a);
- (c) the method for determining the Royalty payable on such proportion that the Leased Substances are produced with any other injected substance having the same properties and permitted to be injected into and recovered from the same Formation of the Leased Lands, pursuant to Clause 2.2 or as otherwise consented to by Lessor, shall be agreed to by the Parties in advance of the commencement of such injection operations;
- (d) if Leased Substances (other than Sulphur) are stored or used for purposes other than those set out in Subclause 5.1(a), the Royalty shall be payable in the month following the month that Leased Substances are produced; and
- (e) except as set forth in Appendix I, no deductions whatsoever for any costs or expenses incurred are permitted from the Royalty payable under this Lease.

#### 5.2 Payment of Royalty

The Royalty as determined under Clause 5.1 shall be paid before the last day of the month following the month in which the quantity of the Leased Substances is determined in accordance with Appendix I. The Lessee shall provide a statement accompanying each monthly Royalty payment that includes all the data set forth in the Royalty Data Requirement Sheet and any supporting documentation as the Lessor may request from time to time.

#### 5.3 Taking In Kind

The Lessor, on thirty (30) days written notice to Lessee, shall have the option, exercisable from time to time, to take its Royalty share of production in kind of any or all of the separate sales products comprising the Leased Substances at the Royalty Determination Point, in lieu of the

Royalty payment under Clause 5.1, free and clear of all deductions, charges, liens and encumbrances on the following basis:

- (a) the Lessee shall, at its cost, treat the Lessor's Royalty share of production in order to meet pipeline, refinery, fractionator, and other market or downstream specifications, as is applicable;
- (b) the Lessee shall, at its cost, deliver the Lessor's Royalty share of production in kind to the Lessor or to the Lessor's nominee at the Royalty Determination Point in accordance with usual pipeline and shipping practices;
- (c) if, on exercising this option, the Lessee has storage facilities for the applicable Leased Substances, then the Lessee shall provide at the Lessee's cost, storage facilities for at least three (3) days' accumulation of the Lessor's Royalty share of production in kind; and
- (d) the Lessor may, on thirty (30) days written notice to the Lessee, revoke its option to take in kind. If the Lessor serves notice to revoke, the Lessee shall pay the Lessor's Royalty share of production in cash, as set out in Clause 5.1.

## ARTICLE 6 LESSEE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL TAXES

- **6.1** The Lessee shall pay and be responsible for all taxes, levies, charges, rates, and assessments that may be assessed or levied in respect of the works, undertakings and operations of the Lessee on, in, over, or under the Leased Lands, and shall be responsible for all taxes, levies, charges, rates, and assessments that may be assessed or levied, directly or indirectly, against the Lessor's title interest in the Leased Lands (whether based on production or mineral interest and including Freehold Mineral Taxes), notwithstanding that the Lessor has a percentage interest in the production equal to the Royalty, excluding income tax.
- **6.2** The Lessor shall promptly pay any Freehold Mineral Tax that is assessed or levied, directly or indirectly, against the Lessor by reason of the Lessor's title interest in, or ownership of production obtained from, the Leased Lands and shall be reimbursed by the Lessee for all such costs in accordance with Clause 6.1. The Lessor shall invoice the Lessee for any Freehold Mineral Tax paid by the Lessor accompanied by a copy of the applicable receipts, statements, and notices. All invoices are payable to the Lessor no later than twenty (20) days after the Lessee's receipt of the invoice.
- **6.3** Notwithstanding Clause 6.1, the Lessor shall have the right, at its sole discretion, to invoice the Lessee on a quarterly basis during each calendar year for any Freehold Mineral Tax reasonably estimated to have accrued for the prior quarter and the Lessee shall reimburse the Lessor in the same manner as provided for in Clause 6.1. A final statement of reconciliation and a copy of the applicable receipts, statements, and notices will be provided by the Lessor to the Lessee within sixty (60) days of its receipt of the actual Freehold Mineral Tax billing, including payment of any amount owing by the Lessor to reimburse the Lessee for the estimated amounts paid by the Lessor. The Lessor shall invoice the Lessee and the Lessee shall reimburse the Lessor for any amount of the Freehold Mineral Tax billed to and paid by the Lessor to amount of the Lessee in accordance with Clause 6.1.

## ARTICLE 7 OFFSET OBLIGATION

#### 7.1 Offset Triggering Well

In the event of production being obtained at any time on or after the date of this Lease from an Offset Triggering Well, then, with respect to each Spacing Unit comprised in whole or in part of the Leased Lands which laterally or diagonally adjoins the Offset Spacing Unit containing the Offset Triggering Well, and on or into which an Offset Satisfying Well does not exist, the Lessee shall, prior to expiry of the Offset Election Period, and provided that the Offset Triggering Well is not abandoned within such time period:

(a) commence, or cause to be commenced, or continue carrying out previously commenced Drilling Operations or Production Operations that will result in an Offset Satisfying Well being completed or re-completed in the Offset Formation and thereafter, promptly and diligently, conclude such operations, evaluate the Offset Satisfying Well(s) to the extent reasonably required to determine whether Leased Substances are present in Paying Quantities in that Offset Formation and place the Offset Satisfying Well(s) on production from that Offset Formation or abandon such Offset Satisfying Well(s) in accordance with Article 18; provided however, if the Lessee does not abandon or bring such Offset Satisfying Well(s) on production within sixty (60) days after the commencement of any such Drilling Operations or Production Operations then, notwithstanding the Offset Election Period, the Lessee will be deemed to have elected to pay or, if the Lessee was otherwise obligated to pay during a prior period, continue to pay compensatory royalties pursuant to Subclause 7.1(c) on and after the expiry date of the Offset Election Period until that obligation terminates pursuant to Subclause 7.3(c); or

- (b) surrender all the Leased Formations within such Spacing Unit to the base of the Offset Formation, provided that where production of a Leased Substance is being obtained in Paying Quantities from any Formation within any such Spacing Unit other than the Offset Formation, Lessee shall not be required to surrender that Leased Substance being produced in that producing Formation; or
- (c) pay the Lessor a compensatory royalty as calculated in Clause 7.3 to extend the time to commence Drilling Operations under Subclause 7.1(a) or surrender under Subclause 7.1(b).

#### 7.2 Deemed Election

If the Lessee fails to commence Drilling Operations under Subclause 7.1(a) or surrender the applicable portion of the Leased Lands under Subclause 7.1(b) within the Offset Election Period, then the Lessee is deemed to have elected to pay a compensatory royalty under Subclause 7.1(c).

## 7.3 Payment of Compensatory Royalty

If the Lessee elects, or is deemed to have elected, to pay the compensatory royalty pursuant to Subclause 7.1(c):

- (a) The compensatory royalty payable shall be equal to the Royalty that would be payable to the Lessor pursuant to Clause 5.1 if the production being obtained from the Offset Triggering Well was being produced from an Offset Satisfying Well on the Leased Lands, provided that:
  - (i) if there is more than one Offset Triggering Well in any Offset Spacing Unit, such compensatory royalty shall be based on the aggregate of production from the same Offset Formation obtained from all the wells in each month;
  - (ii) if there is more than one Offset Spacing Unit adjoining the same Spacing Unit of the Leased Lands, such compensatory royalty shall be based on that Offset Spacing Unit having the highest aggregate of production from the same Offset Formation obtained from all the wells in each month;
  - (iii) in the event any Offset Triggering Well is producing from more than one Offset Formation, the compensatory royalty shall be determined on the basis of the production in each month from each such Offset Formation; and
  - (iv) if any Offset Triggering Well is a Horizontal Well contained partially within the Offset Spacing Unit, the production attributable to that portion of the Horizontal Well contained within the Offset Spacing Unit shall be determined in accordance with Clause 12.3;
- (b) The Lessee's obligation to pay a compensatory royalty as set out in this Article 7 shall commence on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of the month following three (3) months from the date the Offset Triggering Well commenced production, or three (3) months from the Lease Date if the Offset Triggering Well was on production on or before the Lease Date, notwithstanding that the Offset Election Period may expire at a date later than such payment commencement date;
- (c) Compensatory royalties will continue to be payable until the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of the month following receipt by the Lessor of a written notice from the Lessee that:

- (i) the Offset Triggering Well has been abandoned; or
- the obligations related to placing an Offset Satisfying Well on production or abandonment thereof have been satisfied in accordance with Subclause 7.1(a); or
- (iii) all or any portion of the Leased Lands are surrendered in accordance with Subclause 7.1(b); and
- (d) Payment of compensatory royalties pursuant to this Article 7 shall be deemed a Production Operation for purposes of continuing this Lease beyond expiry of the Primary Term in accordance with Clause 2.3 and subject to Clause 4.1 as with respect to that portion of the Leased Lands comprising the Spacing Unit to which the compensatory royalties apply and as to only that Leased Substance attributable to the well product type classification of the Offset Triggering Well under the Regulations and the Leased Formation that is the same as the Offset Formation, in the same manner as if the production being obtained from the Offset Triggering Well is being produced from an Offset Satisfying Well on the Leased Lands. Furthermore, if at any time production has ceased for a consecutive period of greater than ninety (90) days from the Offset Triggering Well, the Lessor may serve the Lessee notice pursuant to Clause 4.1 and Article 4 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to those Leased Lands and that Leased Formation.

## 7.4 Third Party Offset Obligations

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Clause 7.1, the Lessee acknowledges that if the Mineral Lease Specific Terms indicate that the Leased Lands are burdened by a prior agreement where a third party may serve an offset notice to the Lessor related to an Offset Triggering Well or any other well in an Offset Spacing Unit, then, upon the Lessee's receipt of a copy of such notice from the Lessor, the provisions of Clause 7.1 shall be deemed amended to the extent necessary to satisfy the third party offset obligations as follows:

- (a) Within fifteen (15) days of the Lessee's receipt of a copy of a third party offset notice from the Lessor, the Lessee shall elect in writing to:
  - (i) drill a well within six (6) months of the date of the third party notice at a location and into such geological strata as is required to satisfy the offset obligation under the third party notice; or
  - surrender all of that portion of the Leased Lands comprising each Spacing Unit as provided for in Subclause 7.1(b) except down to the base of the Formation comprising such geological strata to which the offset obligation under the third party notice pertains; or
  - (iii) pay to the Lessor a compensatory royalty that is the greater of the compensatory royalty owing to the Lessor pursuant the provisions of Clause 7.3 and the compensatory royalty owing pursuant to the third party offset provisions, as and when due on a monthly basis, subject to Subclause 7.4(b);
- (b) If the Lessee fails to respond with its election in accordance with Subclause 7.4(a), the Lessee will be deemed to have elected to surrender the Leased Lands pursuant to Subclause 7.4(a)(ii);
- (c) If the Lessee has elected to pay a compensatory royalty pursuant to Subclause 7.4(a)(iii) and, at the end of the ten (10) month period following expiry of the ninety (90) day election period under the third party notice, the Lessee has not yet drilled a well on the Leased Lands to otherwise satisfy the third party offset obligation if it still applies, then the Lessee may continue to pay the compensatory royalty pursuant to the provisions set forth herein for so long thereafter as the third party continues to accept same, subject always to any other rights of the Lessor under the Lease; provided, however, the Lessee shall be deemed to have surrendered such Leased Lands, pursuant to Subclause 7.1(b), immediately upon the Lessor's receipt of notice from the third party terminating its acceptance of the compensatory royalty at any time after expiry of such ten (10) month period;

- (d) All third party compensatory royalty payments shall be made by the Lessee directly to the Lessor and the Lessor shall be responsible and liable to the third party for remitting all such amounts owing to third party; and
- (e) The indemnity provisions contained in Article 22 shall apply mutatis mutandis with respect to any matter or thing the Lessor may suffer, sustain, pay or incur by reason of the Lessee's failure to drill the well if the Lessee so elects under Subclause 7.4(a)(i) or to remit any compensatory royalty as and when due to the third party if the Lessee so elects under Subclause 7.4(a)(iii).

### ARTICLE 8 INCREASED WELL DENSITY

#### 8.1 Increased Well Density

Where, at any time after the one (1) year anniversary date following expiry of the Primary Term, more than one well is producing the same substance as a Leased Substance from the same Formation that is a Leased Formation in an Offset Spacing Unit and the number of wells in any one Offset Spacing Unit is greater than those that have been completed or opened to production by the Lessee in the same Formation in the adjoining Spacing Unit comprised in whole or in part of the Leased Lands, the Lessor may put the Lessee on notice to develop that adjoining Spacing Unit to the same density. In that case, the Lessee shall:

- (a) within six (6) months of receipt of such notice, commence Drilling Operations and thereafter, promptly and diligently, conclude such operations to increase the well density for production from such Formation in that adjoining Spacing Unit comprised in whole or in part of the Leased Lands equal to the greatest number of wells producing from such Formation in any one Offset Spacing Unit; or
- (b) within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice, submit a written request for a waiver from the Lessor of increased well density in that Spacing Unit by submitting technical evidence demonstrating the lack of similar geological or reservoir characteristics to support the increased well density, which evidence must be acceptable to Lessor, in its sole discretion acting reasonably; or
- (c) pay the deferred drilling payment in accordance with Clause 8.2 if it fails to commence drilling the number of wells as required under Subclause 8.1(a) or to obtain a waiver of increased well density pursuant to Subclause 8.1(b).

For clarity, Clause 12.5 shall apply with respect to Horizontal Wells in determining the number of wells producing in the Offset Spacing Unit.

#### 8.2 Well Density Deferred Drilling Payments

If the deferred drilling payment is owing pursuant to Subclause 8.1(c):

- (a) It shall be calculated from the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of the month following the date of the Lessor's notice to the end of the month in which the Lessee has otherwise satisfied the obligation in accordance with Subclause 8.1(a) or 8.1(b) and shall be paid as follows:
  - (i) an amount equal to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per well per month as determined pursuant to Subclause 8.2(a)(ii); and
  - (ii) the well count for the deferred drilling payment for any Formation shall be based on the greatest number of wells producing in a month from the same Formation in any one Offset Spacing Unit that exceeds the total number of wells that have been completed or opened to production by the Lessee in the same Formation in the adjoining Spacing Unit comprised in whole or in part of the Leased Lands; and
  - (iii) the deferred drilling payment owing for any month during a lease year shall be paid within fifteen (15) Business Days of each annual anniversary date of this Lease, commencing at the first anniversary date next following the date of the Lessor's notice; and

- (b) The Lessee's obligation to pay a deferred drilling payment shall continue until the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of the month following the date that:
  - (i) a written notice is received by the Lessor from the Lessee advising that a total number of wells in that Spacing Unit comprised in whole or in part of the Leased Lands have been completed or opened to production in such Formation equal to or greater than the largest number of wells producing in the same Formation in any one of the Offset Spacing Units; or
  - (ii) the Lessee has obtained a waiver from the Lessor pursuant to Subclause 8.1(b).

## ARTICLE 9 REDUCTION OF SPACING UNIT

**9.1** If the Lessee applies under the Regulations for a reduction in the size of a Spacing Unit on the Leased Lands in relation to all or a portion of the Leased Formations and if the applicable regulatory body grants the reduction in the size of the Spacing Unit, then this Lease shall continue in force with respect to the Leased Formations contained within the original Spacing Unit as if the spacing reduction had not been granted for a period of three hundred sixty five (365) days following the date of the granting of that reduction. After the end of that period, the provisions of Article 2 shall apply to the continuation of the Leased Lands, the Leased Formations and the Leased Substances having regard to the reduced Spacing Unit.

## ARTICLE 10 RATABLE PRODUCTION

**10.1** The Lessee shall, subject to the Regulations, produce any of the Leased Substances ratably with any substances of similar properties that are produced from other lands in the same vicinity that the Lessee, or any of its Affiliates, has an interest in so as not to discriminate against the Leased Substances in the production, transportation, processing and marketing of Leased Substances.

# ARTICLE 11 POOLING AND UNITIZATION

- **11.1** Subject to Article 12, the Lessee may at any time, upon written notice to the Lessor, pool, either on an areal or reserves basis, whichever is more equitable in the circumstances, any Leased Substances within any of the Leased Formations as may be necessary to form a Spacing Unit with other lands adjoining the Leased Lands. The area pooled shall not exceed the Spacing Unit for the well to be drilled on or in those Pooled Lands.
- **11.2** The following information is required in the notice to the Lessor related to a pooling:
  - (a) description and purpose for the pooling;
  - (b) the Leased Substances within the Leased Formations pooled;
  - (c) the area of the Leased Lands included in the Spacing Unit;
  - (d) the other lands and total acreage combined to form the Spacing Unit; and
  - (e) the ratio, expressed as a percentage, that the Lessee proposes to use for the basis of Royalty payments based on either of:
    - (i) the Leased Lands to the total area comprising the Pooled Lands, in the case of acreage pooling; or
    - (ii) the estimated reserves of Leased Substances underlying the Leased Lands to the estimated total reserves of such substances underlying the Pooled Lands, in the case of reserve pooling.
- **11.3** The Lessee may, subject to the Lessor's prior written consent, unitize any Leased Substances within any of the Leased Formations, or any interval thereof, with the same substances or Formation, or interval thereof, in surrounding lands to form a plan of unitization.

**11.4** Any Drilling Operations or Production Operations on or from the Pooled Lands or the Unitized Lands shall have the same effect as if the Drilling Operations or Production Operations, that are diligently and continuously pursued, were conducted on or from the Leased Lands.

## ARTICLE 12 HORIZONTAL WELLS

- **12.1** The Lessee may, without the Lessor's prior written consent, drill a Horizontal Well anywhere wholly or partially on or within the Leased Lands; provided however, the provisions for continuation of a Spacing Unit in Clauses 2.3 and 2.4 will not apply to any Spacing Unit that does not contain a portion of the Productive Section of the horizontal leg(s) of a Horizontal Well within the on-target drilling area of that Spacing Unit as prescribed under the Regulations for production of a vertical well, in which case the Lessor's consent shall be required for continuation of any such Spacing Unit.
- **12.2** Upon drilling a Horizontal Well anywhere on or within the Leased Lands, in every case, the Lessee shall promptly provide the Lessor with a copy of the "as drilled" survey and the Lessee's measured determination of the entry point into the interval of the Formation from which the production is obtained and the termination point.
- **12.3** If the Productive Section of any horizontal leg(s) of a Horizontal Well is drilled across any Spacing Units comprised, in part, of the Leased Lands and that are not all owned by the Lessor or, if owned by the Lessor, not leased to the Lessee or, if leased to the Lessee, require a different calculation of any payments to the Lessee related to each lease, and unless a specific form of production allocation agreement is required pursuant to the Regulations, then the total production from such Horizontal Well attributable to the Leased Lands will be calculated in accordance with the HZ Allocation Procedure. In the event that a production allocation, the Lessor acknowledges that the allocation and resulting payment of the Royalty will be as determined pursuant to that production allocation agreement.
- 12.4 Notwithstanding the foregoing Clause 12.3, if any portion of the Productive Section of a horizontal leg is drilled parallel to, and within the area of a Spacing Unit of the Leased Lands prescribed by the Regulations as the setback distance from, the boundary of any other adjoining Spacing Unit owned by the Lessor and leased to the Lessee at the time of commencement of production from that Horizontal Well, and the Royalty payable by the Lessee to the Lessor on production from the Spacing Unit in which the horizontal leg is located differs from that royalty payable in any such other adjoining Spacing Unit, where a production allocation agreement is not required in accordance with the Regulations, the Royalty payable on the total production from that horizontal leg, under this Lease or any other lease related to such adjoining Spacing Units, will be determined and permanently adjusted at the time production is commenced. In such case, the Royalty under this Lease and any such other royalty payable by the Lessee to the Lessor for each of those diversely held Spacing Units shall be apportioned based on the percentage of the area of each such diversely held Spacing Unit contained within the circumference around the Productive Section of the horizontal leg based on the inter-well distances as prescribed by the Regulations for that horizontal leg, as if such percentage of the total production was being obtained from a well within each such Spacing Unit (for example, if the inter-well distance between that horizontal leg and another in the same pool is 100m, then such area would be a 50m circumference around the Productive Section). However, for certainty, the apportionment of the Royalty based on the inclusion of any area of an adjoining Spacing Unit that does not contain any portion of the horizontal leg is for purposes of equity only under this clause and does not imply that any production has been allocated or attributed from that horizontal leg to any such other Spacing Unit for lease continuation purposes, provided that the permanently adjusted allocation and calculation of the Royalty that was based on the inclusion of any such adjoining Spacing Unit would continue to apply for the entire life of the well notwithstanding any termination or expiry of the lease related thereto.
- **12.5** For purposes of Clause 8.1, the horizontal leg of a Horizontal Well will not be considered producing from an Offset Spacing Unit if less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the Productive Section is contained within that Offset Spacing Unit.

#### ARTICLE 13 OPERATIONS

- **13.1** The Lessee shall, subject to Clause 13.2, conduct its operations under the terms of this Lease in respect of the Leased Lands in a diligent, careful and workmanlike manner using the best practices in the oil and gas industry in Canada, with a view to the maximum recovery of the Leased Substances and in compliance with the Regulations applicable to those operations, including:
  - (a) at its own expense, obtain the right to enter upon the surface of any lands where operations are being conducted;
  - (b) perform diligent and continuous operations on every well for the purpose of obtaining, maintaining or increasing production of Leased Substances in Paying Quantities using adequate and sufficient Equipment;
  - (c) if it discovers any minerals other than the Leased Substances, promptly give the Lessor notice of that discovery together with all relevant information;
  - (d) not in any way interfere with any other Person that is at that time entitled to explore for, win, take, remove or dispose of any minerals other than the Leased Substances in the Leased Formations and permit that Person to explore for, win, take, remove or dispose of those minerals, including, without limitation, not taking any action, directly or indirectly, to initiate or cause to be initiated any legal or regulatory review or decision that may cause that other Person's production to be shut-in due to a good oil field practice or a gas over oil production restriction or the ratio of substances being produced from the same Formation as comprises the Leased Formations if the substances being produced are designated under the Regulations as belonging to such other Person as a result of the well classification;
  - (e) upon the termination, expiry or surrender of this Lease, leave the Leased Lands, including any of the surface of the Leased Lands, in good condition and in accordance with the Regulations;
  - (f) market the Leased Substances; and
  - (g) keep the Leased Lands free of all liens arising from or related to the Lessee's interests in, or its operations on, the Leased Lands.
- **13.2** Lessee is prohibited from conducting any of the following operations:
  - (a) mining Coal;
  - (b) processes that convert Coal to any other substance, including any of the Leased Substances; and
  - (c) in situ processes, including gasification, liquefaction or biogenic conversion of Coal or any other present or future conversion processes.
- **13.3** Notwithstanding Clause 13.2, the Lessee may conduct Drilling Operations on, or Production Operations within, any Coal strata or intervals within the Leased Formations for purposes of producing any CBM adsorbed onto the Coal, to the extent same is included as a Leased Substance, and that will flow freely into the wellbore.

#### ARTICLE 14 INSPECTION BY LESSOR OF OPERATIONS

- **14.1** Upon receipt of reasonable prior notice from the Lessor, the Lessee shall permit and in every reasonable way aid the Lessor's authorized Representatives, at all reasonable times during the period that this Lease continues, to enter on the surface of any lands, or any buildings or structures erected on those lands, or access any wells where any operations are being conducted in accordance with this Lease, in order to survey, examine, inspect and test their state and condition.
- **14.2** Any such inspection by the Lessor's Representatives shall be at the Lessor's sole risk, cost and expense and shall not cause any unnecessary interference to the operations of the Lessee. The Lessor's Representatives shall, at all times while conducting any such inspection, comply with the

health and safety rules and requirements (including the use of any protective clothing or safety apparatus) prescribed by the Regulations or as may be reasonably imposed by the Lessee. The Lessor shall be liable for and shall indemnify the Lessee from and against any and all damages, injuries or losses caused or suffered by the Lessor's Representatives while conducting any such inspection, except to the extent the same is caused by the Lessee's or the Lessee's Representative's gross negligence.

## ARTICLE 15 INSURANCE PROVISIONS

**15.1** The Lessee shall hold, with a reputable insurance company or companies, and thereafter maintain or cause to be maintained, a comprehensive portfolio of insurance similar to that of an experienced and reputable exploration and production company operating in Canada would maintain, including, as a minimum, those coverages required pursuant to the Regulations. The Lessor may at any time request from the Lessee proof of coverage under this Article 15.

### ARTICLE 16 REPORTS BY LESSEE

- **16.1** The Lessee shall, with respect to each well drilled on the Leased Lands, furnish to the Lessor electronically, the information required within the time period specified in the Well Data Requirement Sheet.
- **16.2** Upon receiving a written request from the Lessor, the Lessee shall promptly provide the Lessor with copies of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals, authorizations, registrations, exemptions or other documents required for the valid performance of the operations of the Lessee under this Lease, whether related to environmental matters or otherwise.

## ARTICLE 17 RECORDS AND AUDIT

- **17.1** In respect of each of the Leased Substances and Leased Formations, the Lessee shall keep true records for a period of at least seven (7) years following the end of the calendar year for which those records relate as follows:
  - (a) governmental production reports showing the quantity of the Leased Substances produced or deemed to be produced;
  - (b) records as to the nature and quantity of each of the Leased Substances processed, produced, sold (including the name of the purchaser), stored, used and otherwise disposed of;
  - (c) records to support that a well on the Leased Lands is producing in Paying Quantities;
  - (d) records as to the actual price received (including payments received from any source whatsoever in respect to those records) in respect of each of the Leased Substances sold including, if the first sale is a non-arm's length sale, the actual price received (including payments received from any source whatsoever in respect of the amount sold and price received) in any subsequent arm's length sale; and
  - (e) records that relate to the quality and quantity of the Leased Substances that are not marketed but are used or otherwise disposed of.
- **17.2** The Lessor may at any time dispute the Royalty payment submitted by the Lessee. In addition, the Lessor may at any time, whether during or after the termination, expiry or surrender of this Lease, audit the Lessee's records and Royalty payments under the following terms:
  - (a) The Lessor shall give the Lessee thirty (30) days written notice that an audit shall be conducted;
  - (b) Any claims of discrepancies disclosed by the audit shall be made in writing to the Lessee within ninety (90) days of the completion of the initial audit;
  - (c) The Lessee shall respond to any discrepancies within ninety (90) days of receiving notice of the discrepancy under Subclause 17.2(b), by:

- (i) submitting payment for any discrepancy with a detailed calculation of that payment including any interest owing under this Lease; or
- (ii) disputing any discrepancy by providing in writing a detailed and relevant explanation with supporting documentation.

Failure to respond within the ninety (90) day period shall be deemed acceptance of the discrepancy by the Lessee. Payment of the discrepancy is due within thirty (30) days of the expiry of the ninety (90) day period. Failure to pay within that time frame may result in a Default notice under Article 24; and

- (d) If under Subclause 17.2(c)(ii), the Lessee disputes any discrepancy, then the Lessor shall review the Lessee's response and within ninety (90) days advise Lessee in writing that:
  - (i) The Lessor agrees with the response to the disputed discrepancies; or
  - (ii) The Lessor disagrees with the response to the disputed discrepancies, in which case the Lessee may, within fifteen (15) days of receiving this advice, request a meeting with the Lessor to discuss and resolve the disputed discrepancy. Failure to request a meeting within the fifteen (15) days shall be deemed acceptance of this disputed discrepancy by the Lessee. In the event Lessee requests a meeting with Lessor, senior representatives from Lessee and Lessor shall meet as soon as reasonably practicable to attempt to resolve the dispute. In the event such senior representatives are unable to resolve the dispute within fifteen (15) days of the original meeting request from Lessee, then either Party may exercise such rights as it may have at law or equity in relation to the disputed discrepancy. Payment including any interest owing under this Lease shall be due within thirty (30) days of expiry of the fifteen (15) day period and if not paid may result in a Default notice under Article 24.

#### ARTICLE 18 ABANDONMENT AND EQUIPMENT

- **18.1** Following the date of termination, expiry or surrender of this Lease, as required pursuant to the Regulations and in compliance with any issued directives, the Lessee shall, in a timely manner, at its own risk and cost:
  - (a) remove all Equipment from the Leased Lands;
  - (b) plug and abandon all wells and any related pipelines;
  - (c) clean up and remediate the well sites, Equipment sites and reclaim the surface of the lands associated with any operations conducted on the Leased Lands, including all access roads; and
  - (d) obtain a certificate of reclamation in relation to the Leased Lands or the surface of such other lands associated with any operations conducted on the Leased Lands.
- **18.2** This Article 18 shall survive the termination, expiry or surrender of this Lease until the obligations of Clause 18.1 have been fully performed or satisfied.

## ARTICLE 19 SURRENDER

19.1 Except as provided in Article 7 for a partial surrender, the Lessee, when not in Default, may at any time surrender its entire interest in this Lease. Where the Leased Lands form only a part of a Spacing Unit, the Lessee shall not surrender this Lease unless the Lessee, at the same time, surrenders all of its interests in all leases it holds from the Lessor contained in that Spacing Unit. A surrender shall not entitle the Lessee to a refund of any monies from the Lessor paid under this Lease nor shall it release the Lessee from any obligations and liabilities that may have accrued

prior to the date of the surrender or from its obligation and liabilities under Article 18 and Article 20.

## ARTICLE 20 REMOVAL OF CHARGE

20.1 If any caveat or other instrument is registered directly or indirectly by the Lessee against the Lessor's mineral title for the Leased Lands as a result of the granting of this Lease, the Lessee, at its cost, shall promptly discharge or withdraw the caveat or other instrument from the title documents related to the Leased Lands, Leased Formations or Leases Substances as and when terminated, expired or surrendered under this Lease, and in any such case not later than thirty (30) days from its receipt of a written request from the Lessor to do so. If the Lessee fails to discharge a caveat within such thirty (30) day period, the Lessor reserves the right to recover any costs incurred to remove the Lessee's caveat or other instrument registered against the Leased Lands.

## ARTICLE 21 <u>TITLE AS IS</u>

**21.1** The Lessee hereby accepts the Lessor's title to the Leased Lands, the Leased Formations and the Leased Substances and the rights hereby leased, and agrees that nothing in this Lease expressed or implied shall operate or have effect as any warranty, guarantee or covenant of title.

## ARTICLE 22 INDEMNITY

- **22.1** The Lessee shall:
  - (a) be liable to the Lessor and its Representatives; and
  - (b) as a separate and independent covenant, indemnify the Lessor and its Representatives,

for all losses, costs, damages, actions, claims (including third party claims), demands, expenses, inquiries, legal or administrative proceedings, investigations or appeals therefrom, including, without limitation, any of the foregoing relating to Environmental Liability, environmental damage, non-compliance with or the breach of Regulations, that the Lessor or its Representatives may suffer, sustain, pay or incur or that are brought against the Lessor or its Representatives including the reasonable cost of legal counsel (on a solicitor and client basis) and other professional advisors and consultants and reasonable costs of investigating and defending claims, whether during the period this Lease is continuing or following the termination, expiry or surrender of this Lease by the Lessee or to the Drilling Operations, Production Operations or any other works or operations of the Lessee, or the Lessee's Representatives, in, upon or under the Leased Lands or any other lands associated with operations conducted on the Leased Lands.

- **22.2** The liability or indemnification under this Article 22 shall specifically cover costs incurred in connection with any investigation of site conditions or any clean-up, remediation, removal or restoration work required by the Regulations.
- **22.3** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Lease, the indemnity set forth in this Article 22 shall survive the termination, expiry or surrender of this Lease for the benefit of the Lessor and shall not be limited in any matter whatsoever.

#### ARTICLE 23 ROYALTY HELD IN TRUST

- **23.1** The Lessee hereby acknowledges and declares that it holds and stands possessed, in trust for and on behalf of the Lessor:
  - (a) that portion of the Leased Substances located within, upon, under or produced from the Leased Lands which are attributable to the Royalty; and
  - (b) all proceeds from the sale by the Lessee of any portion of the Leased Substances produced from the Leased Lands which are attributable to the Royalty shall be held by the Lessee fully for the benefit, use and ownership of the Lessor; and

The Lessee is accordingly not entitled to sell, transfer, assign, mortgage, charge or otherwise dispose of, encumber or deal with that portion of the Leased Substances located within or produced from the Leased Lands which are attributable to the Royalty or the proceeds of sale in respect thereof other than in accordance with this Lease.

#### ARTICLE 24 DEFAULT AND WAIVER OF EQUITABLE REMEDIES

- **24.1** In the case of a Default by the Lessee, the Lessor may, subject to Clause 24.7 and without restricting any other rights and remedies that the Lessor may have, give the Lessee written notice requiring the Lessee to remedy that Default, giving reasonable details of same.
- **24.2** Within thirty (30) days after it receives the Lessor's notice, the Lessee shall:
  - (a) in the event of a breach related or in any way attributable to the Lessee's obligation to conduct Drilling Operations, Production Operations or any other works or operations on the Leased Lands (each an "**Operational Default**"), remedy or commence to remedy the Operational Default and thereafter to diligently continue to remedy the same without cessation of greater than thirty (30) days; or
  - (b) in the event of a breach related to a failure to pay any amount due and payable hereunder, including without limitation the payment of a compensatory royalty or deferred drilling payment due pursuant the provisions of Article 7 or Article 8 (each a "**Payment Default**"), remedy such Payment Default.
- **24.3** The performance of any act by the Lessee to remedy the Default shall not be deemed an admission by the Lessee that it has failed to perform its obligations hereunder.
- 24.4 If, as is applicable pursuant to Clause 24.2(a), the Lessee fails to remedy or commence to remedy an Operational Default within such thirty (30) day period or, if having so commenced to remedy the breach or breaches, thereafter fails to remedy the same within a twelve (12) month period from the date on which the Lessee first commenced remedial efforts, or, within the same twelve (12) month period, the Lessee is in Default for the same or similar reasons set out in a prior Default notice, then, subject to Clause 24.7, the Lessor may serve the Lessee written notice of the immediate termination of this Lease and it shall be lawful for the Lessor to re-enter the Leased Lands and to repossess them. If the Lessee fails to remedy a Payment Default in accordance with Clause 24.2(b), the Lessor may serve the Lessee written notice of the immediate termination of the Lessor to re-enter the Leased Lands and to repossess them.
- 24.5 Notwithstanding Clause 24.4, if proceedings for a judicial determination are commenced within such initial thirty (30) day period related to a breach under Subclause 24.2(a), this Lease shall not terminate until the existence of such breach has been judicially determined and all appeal periods have expired.
- **24.6** Nothing contained in this Article 24 relieves the Lessee from its obligations under Article 18 and Article 20.
- 24.7 If:
  - (a) this Lease is subject to a plan of unitization during the period that this Lease continues;
  - (b) this Lease is terminable as a result of any Default under this Article 24; and
  - (c) the Default relates to Leased Substances within the Leased Lands and Leased Formations that are not included in the plan of unitization,

then that part of the Leased Lands, Leased Formations and Leased Substances that are not unitized terminates and only that portion of Leased Lands, Leased Formations and Leased Substances that comprise the unitized Formation or interval within the unitized tract shall continue to be subject to this Lease.

- **24.8** Upon entering into this Lease both Parties acknowledge that they are and their respective Representatives are:
  - (a) experienced parties in the oil and gas industry;

- (b) freely entering into this Lease;
- (c) aware of the contractual and commercial nature of the terms under this Lease; and
- (d) aware that the terms of this Lease shall be strictly construed and acted upon.
- **24.9** Further to Clause 24.8, the Lessee acknowledges that it is aware of the nature and risk of making capital investments and incurring other expenditures in carrying out any Drilling Operations, Production Operations or other operations on the Leased Lands and that, in accordance with the terms of this Lease, the Lessor is entitled to the Royalty share of production of Leased Substances that shall generate a cashflow, whether taken in kind or not, which may differ or be at a higher ratio than the amount of cashflow or profit realized by the Lessee from any such capital investments and other expenditures. Both Parties recognize that, notwithstanding any amount of such investments and expenditures made by the Lessee, this Lease is not intended to continue beyond the Primary Term for speculative purposes without a reasonable expectation of profit and Royalty for the Lessee to ensure enforcement of the terms of this Lease.
- **24.10** If this Lease terminates, including by reason of the Lessee not remedying a Default, the Lessee may have available relief against all penalties and forfeitures under the Regulations that includes the *Alberta Judicature Act* RSA, 2000 Chapter J-2 sections 10, 15 and 16, or relief against forfeiture under the rules of equity and common law. On the execution of this Lease, the Lessee has full knowledge of each and every such right of relief and unequivocally and consciously waives and abandons all of these rights of relief in the Lessor's enforcement of the terms of this Lease including termination of this Lease.
- 24.11 Notwithstanding anything contained to the contrary in this Article 24, if the Lessee: (i) is or becomes bankrupt or insolvent; (ii) becomes subject to the bankruptcy or insolvency laws of any jurisdiction in which it carries on business; (iii) appoints or has a third party appoint a receiver or custodian to take possession of its assets or announce its intention to do so; (iv) arranges with its creditors or applies to an administrator or court of competent jurisdiction for protection from its creditors; or (v) permits any judgment to be registered against the Leased Lands, or (vi) has in any way demonstrated its inability to meet its financial obligations and, during any such time, fails to observe or perform any covenant, proviso, condition, restriction or stipulation contained in this Lease, then any such event shall be deemed an immediate and material Default under this Lease, without notice of any kind required from the Lessor to the Lessee, thereby enabling the Lessor to terminate this Lease immediately without any liability or obligation whatsoever to the Lessee.

## ARTICLE 25 FORCE MAJEURE

- **25.1** Failure or delay by the Lessee in complying with any term or obligation or from conducting Drilling Operations or Production Operations under this Lease is not considered to be a Default if and to the extent that any failure or delay results from:
  - (a) strikes and lockouts;
  - (b) acts of God;
  - (c) acts of war or terrorism; and
  - (d) other matters beyond reasonable control of the Lessee, whether or not similar to those items listed in (a) to (d) above.

The items from this Clause 25.1 are individually or collectively referred to as an "Event of Force Majeure".

- **25.2** The Lessee is not required to settle any labour dispute or industrial or public disturbance, except in such manner as it shall, in its own judgment, consider acceptable.
- **25.3** Lack of finances on the part of the Lessee or lack of profitability or economic markets for any of the Leased Substances is not an Event of Force Majeure.
- **25.4** The Lessee shall promptly notify the Lessor of an Event of Force Majeure and provide particulars of that Event of Force Majeure and a reasonable estimate by the Lessee of its anticipated duration.

The Lessee shall take reasonable steps to mitigate or overcome the effects of the Event of Force Majeure. The Lessee shall keep the Lessor informed of those steps as well as its current estimate as to when it shall be able to resume performance of its obligations under this Lease.

- **25.5** Subject to Clause 25.6, the time periods specified in this Lease shall be extended by the period of time that the Event of Force Majeure continues. The Lessee shall not be relieved of its obligations to make payments that have become due and payable under this Lease.
- **25.6** Notwithstanding any other provision in this Article 25, if an Event of Force Majeure lasts continuously for a period longer than twenty-four (24) months, then the Lessor may give the Lessee thirty (30) days' notice to terminate this Lease.

## ARTICLE 26 MANNER OF PAYMENTS

**26.1** The Lessee shall make all payments to the Lessor in Canadian currency. Those payments shall be made by the Lessee to the Lessor:

by electronic transfer at: Destination Bank: Transit Number: Institution: For Credit to: Account Number:

**26.2** The Lessor may change the information in Clause 26.1 by serving notice under Article 28.

## ARTICLE 27 INTEREST

**27.1** The Lessee shall pay to the Lessor interest at the prime commercial lending rate of interest charged by The Royal Bank of Canada at its main branch in Calgary, Alberta to its most credit worthy customers plus five percent (5%) per annum on all monies overdue under the terms of this Lease.

## ARTICLE 28 NOTICES

- **28.1** All communications and notices under the terms of this Lease shall be in writing, on company letterhead, signed by a Representative and delivered to the applicable Party by hand, mail (postage prepaid), or electronically to the address for such form of deliveries as is specified in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms or as is amended from time to time. Any Party may change its address for service by serving notice as set out in this Article 28.
- **28.2** To the extent an address for such following forms of delivery has been provided by a Party pursuant to Clause 28.1, any notice or other communication delivered to that Party:
  - (a) by hand, shall be deemed to have been given and received at the commencement of the next following Business Day;
  - (b) by prepaid mail, shall be deemed to have been given and received on the earlier of the next following Business Day after actual receipt or the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Business Day following the date of posting, provided that notices may not be served by mail while postal service is interrupted or operating with unusual or imminent delay; and
  - (c) electronically, shall be deemed to have been given and received at the earlier of actual time of retrieval by the Party from the Party's information system or at the commencement of the next following Business Day after sent date.

#### ARTICLE 29 ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE

- **29.1** The Lessee shall only be entitled to assign its recognized legal interest in this Lease by the Lessee and its assignee executing and delivering to the Lessor a Lease Assignment in the form as specified on the Lessor's Website. The Lease Assignment shall not be effective and binding upon the Lessor until the approval and execution of the Lease Assignment by the Lessor, which approval and execution shall not be unreasonably withheld, provided the Lessor shall not be required to approve or execute such Lease Assignment if the Lessee is at the time in default or breach of any terms or conditions of this Lease. The approval and execution of the Lessee at the time of the Lessor does not constitute a waiver of any existing Default by the Lessee at the time of the assignment.
- **29.2** Notwithstanding Clause 29.1 Lessor shall not be required to accept a Lease Assignment for an assignment:
  - (a) to a trust or partnership;
  - (b) of a portion of the Leased Lands, Leased Formations or Leased Substances; or
  - (c) for any other interest that is not a legal interest.
- **29.3** The Lessee need not act on any assignment of the Lessor's interest until thirty (30) days after the Lessee has been actually furnished with evidence of such assignment. All payments made within the aforesaid period to the party or parties who would have been entitled to the same in the absence of such assignment shall be deemed to have been made in accordance with the terms of this Lease. The foregoing shall not, however, prohibit the Lessee from acting upon the assignment prior to the expiration of the aforesaid thirty (30) day period and all payments or tenders made in accordance with such assignment shall be deemed to have been made in accordance with the terms of this Lease.

## ARTICLE 30 CONFIDENTIALITY

**30.1** The Lessor, if requested by the Lessee, shall treat as confidential from any third party all or any part of the information furnished, given or delivered to, or received by the Lessor pursuant to this Lease, except for information that is available to the public from any governmental authority. This Article 30 may not prevent the Lessor from divulging any information to an Affiliate of the Lessor provided that the Lessor requires that the Affiliate maintain the confidential status of the information and the Affiliate is deemed to accept this obligation.

## ARTICLE 31 AUTHORITY

**31.1** Each Party covenants that it has good right, full power and authority to enter into this Lease.

## ARTICLE 32 ENTIRE SUPERSEDING AGREEMENT

**32.1** In connection with the matters dealt with herein, this Lease expresses and constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties and supersedes all prior agreements, documents, covenants, arrangements, statements, representations or warranties, negotiations and understandings, whether written or otherwise, by or between the Parties.

## ARTICLE 33 RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES

**33.1** The relationship of the Parties under this Lease is limited to the matters specifically identified herein and, except as otherwise provided herein, the Parties hereby expressly disclaim any intention to create a partnership, trust or other fiduciary relationship or to constitute any Party as the agent, fiduciary or trustee of the other Party.

#### ARTICLE 34 JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY

**34.1** If the Lessee consists of two or more parties, those parties are jointly and severally liable for the performance of the obligations of the Lessee.

## ARTICLE 35 FURTHER ASSURANCES

**35.1** Each Party, upon request from the other Party and without further consideration, will execute and deliver such further instruments and documents, and shall do such further acts and things as is reasonably required and requested to carry out the provisions of this Lease.

## ARTICLE 36 ENUREMENT

**36.1** This Lease shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties, their successors by name change, merger or amalgamation, the Lessor's assigns and, to the extent permitted hereunder, the Lessee's assigns only and shall not be construed to create beneficiary rights in any other Person.

## ARTICLE 37 SURVIVIAL

**37.1** The expiry or termination of this Lease will not discharge or release any Party from any of its liabilities or obligations accrued at the time of such expiry or termination (including a breach) or from any of its liabilities or obligations that expressly continue beyond or arise out of such expiry or termination of this Lease.

### ARTICLE 38 GOVERNING LAWS

**38.1** This Lease shall, in all respects (including any disputes), be treated as a contract made in the Province of Alberta and shall be subject to, interpreted, construed and enforced in accordance with and under the laws of the Province of Alberta and the laws of Canada applicable therein. The Parties irrevocably attorn and exclusively submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the Province of Alberta and courts of appeal therefrom in respect of all matters arising out of or in connection with this Lease.

#### ARTICLE 39 LIMITATIONS

**39.1** Notwithstanding any Regulations or other similar provisions at law or in equity that would otherwise impose a lesser period of time for claims to be brought by the Parties, the limitations period for all claims pursuant to or arising out of this Lease is to be the greater of ten (10) years from the date that the claim arose or such other longer period of time as may be allowed at law or in equity, irrespective of whether the claimant was aware of the material facts which gave rise to the claim or not.

## ARTICLE 40 SEVERABILITY

**40.1** If any provision of this Lease is determined to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect pursuant to the Regulations, the remainder of this Lease, or the application of the provisions of this Lease to Persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, will not be affected or impaired thereby.

## ARTICLE 41 CONFLICTS

- **41.1** If there is a conflict between any provision of this Lease and the Regulations or the title documents under which the Lessor holds its title to the Leased Lands, the Regulations or such title documents, as the case may be, will prevail.
- **41.2** If any term in the body of this Lease conflicts with the information requested in the Continuation Application Form, Royalty Data Requirement Sheet or Well Data Requirement Sheet then the term in the body of this Lease will prevail.

#### ARTICLE 42 REMEDIES CUMULATIVE

**42.1** No reference to or exercise of any specific right or remedy by a Party under this Lease shall prejudice or preclude that Party from exercising or invoking any other remedy in respect thereof, whether allowed at law or in equity or expressly provided for in this Lease. No remedy shall be exclusive or dependent upon any other remedy and each Party may exercise any one or more remedy independently or in combination.

## ARTICLE 43 WAIVERS

- **43.1** A waiver by the Lessor of any provision, breach or default of this Lease is only effective if expressed in writing. No waiver of any particular provision, breach or default of this Lease shall be deemed or constitute a continuing waiver of same or a waiver of any other provision, condition or requirement of this Lease (whether or not similar), nor in any manner release the Lessee from performance of any other provision, condition or requirement herein and shall not limit or affect the Lessor's rights with respect to enforcement of any other term or remedy of any other future default or breach unless otherwise expressly provided.
- **43.2** Any delay in exercising or failure to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder by the Lessor shall not operate as a waiver thereof nor impair the exercise of any such right, remedy, power or privilege or any other right, remedy, power or privilege accruing to the Lessor thereafter.

## ARTICLE 44 AMENDMENT

**44.1** No supplement, modification or waiver of any provision of this Lease shall be binding unless in writing and executed by duly authorized representatives of the Parties.

## ARTICLE 45 <u>TIME</u>

**45.1** Time shall, in all respects, be of the essence in this Lease.

## ARTICLE 46 COUNTERPART EXECUTION

**46.1** This Lease may be executed in counterpart and all of those counterparts when delivered and taken together shall have the same effect as if all Parties had executed one document.

## ARTICLE 47 ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

**47.1** The Parties hereby consent to the use of electronic signatures and agree that this Lease and all agreements and documents required or desirable to give effect to this Lease and the transaction may be executed by electronic means and transmitted to the other Party or Parties and their counsel by facsimile, e-mail or other form of electronic transmission in accordance with Article 28, and any such electronic execution and delivery is equivalent to the delivery of print versions of the documents bearing manual ink signatures.

### **APPENDIX I – ROYALTY CALCULATIONS**

## (FIXED PERCENTAGE METHOD)

## ROYALTY PAYABLE<sup>(\*)</sup> = Royalty Rate X Current Market Value X Quantity

(\*)The Royalty payable in every case is to be determined for each individual product recovered from the Leased Substances as is sold or deemed to be sold and in no event is the Royalty payable for any product to be set off against the Royalty payable for any other product.

### **Royalty Definitions**

"Current Market Value" means, at the Royalty Determination Point, the greater of the value:

- (a) actually received by the Lessee; and
- (b) the market price which the Lessee would have received for the sale of like substances in the area in which the Leased Lands are located as and when the Leased Substances were produced, provided that such value is reasonable in the circumstances having regard to the current market conditions that would have otherwise been applicable in a bona fide arm's-length sale or transaction;

provided that, under no circumstances whatsoever, shall such value be less than zero for purposes of calculating the Royalty payable and in no event is the Current Market Value of any product to be netted against, averaged or otherwise combined with the Current Market Value of any other product in calculating the Royalty payable.

#### "Royalty Determination Point" means for:

- (a) PETROLEUM and FIELD CONDENSATE,
  - (i) where the Royalty is not taken in kind, the point where product enters a feeder pipeline at the inlet to the Lease Automated Custody Transfer (LACT) meter or, in the case where the product is sold directly at a terminal, the inlet meter of the terminal, or
  - (ii) where the Royalty is taken in kind, the point after which removal of basic water and sediment has occurred and the first point of measurement beyond any production tank, battery, satellite or other handling or enrichment facilities;
- (b) NATURAL GAS and SOLUTION GAS, the inlet to the meter station of the initial transmission pipeline carrying the Natural Gas or Solution Gas to the end user market or, in the case where the Natural Gas or Solution Gas is sold directly to an end user, the inlet meter at the end user's facility;
- (c) NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS, the Natural Gas Liquids outlet meter of the facility at which the Natural Gas Liquids are extracted from Natural Gas or Solution Gas;
- (d) OTHER SUBSTANCES, the inlet to the meter station of the initial transmission pipeline carrying the Other Substances to the end user market or, in the case where the Other Substances are sold directly to an end user, the inlet meter at the end user's facility; and
- (e) SULPHUR, the outlet of the Sulphur processing and loading facility.

"Royalty Rate" means that percentage share, as set forth in the Mineral Lease Specific Terms, of the Leased Substances obtained from the Leased Lands to be reserved and payable to Lessor pursuant to the Lease.

## "Quantity" means for:

- (f) PETROLEUM and FIELD CONDENSATE, the amount of Petroleum as and when produced in each applicable month, regardless of whether it may be stored and sold in a subsequent month;
- (g) NATURAL GAS and SOLUTION GAS, the amount of Natural Gas or Solution Gas in each applicable month that is sold, stored or used for purposes other than those set out in Clause 5.01(a); and
- (h) NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS, OTHER SUBSTANCES and SULPHUR, the quantity that is sold in the applicable month.