

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION

A Resolution entitled, "A Resolution to Authorize and Approve Ryder Scott Petroleum Consultants' Proposal to Prepare an Independent Reserve Report of the Bakken/Three Forks property"

- WHEREAS, The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation ("Nation" or "Tribes") having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 ("IRA"), and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constitution and By-Laws pursuant to said Act; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the Nation generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Nation provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(c) of the Constitution of the Nation specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer funds within the exclusive control of the Tribes and to make expenditures from available Tribal funds for public purposes for the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Business Council finds it is in the best interest of the Nation to commission an independent reserves report of the Nation's Bakken/Three Forks property; and
- WHEREAS, The Nation received a proposal from Ryder Scott Petroleum Consultants ("Ryder Scott"), attached hereto as Attachment A, who proposes to estimate the proved, probable and possible oil and gas reserves in accordance with the Society of Petroleum Engineers Petroleum Resources Management System; and
- WHEREAS, Ryder Scott will prepare a report containing production profiles and cashflow economics including discounted new present values; and
- WHEREAS, The proposal requires the Nation to furnish Ryder Scott with all accounts, records, economic, geological and engineering data, reports and any other data required for Ryder Scott's study and Ryder Scott will use the factual data without independent verification; and
- WHEREAS, Ryder Scott proposes to prepare the report in four to six weeks following its receipt of the data; and



- **WHEREAS,** Ryder Scott's proposal contains an estimated cost of \$40,000 to \$50,000 with a required \$20,000 prepayment.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes and approves the Ryder Scott Petroleum Consultants proposal, attached hereto as Attachment A and incorporated herein, to prepare an independent reserve report of the Bakken/Three Forks property; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes and appropriates \$50,000 for the cost of the independent reserve report; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes and approves payment of \$20,000 as prepayment to Ryder Scott Petroleum Consultants; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes and approves its departments and employees to release the required data to Ryder Scott Petroleum Consultants provided Ryder Scott signs a confidentiality and non-disclosure agreement; and
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** the Tribal Chairman is hereby authorized to take such action as is necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.



CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, <u>6</u> were present at a <u>Regular</u> Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the <u>11</u> day of <u>July</u>, 2013, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of <u>6</u> members, <u>0</u> members opposed, <u>0</u> members abstained, <u>0</u> members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 11 day of July, 2013.

Tribal Secretary, V. Judy Brugh

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Three Affiliated Tribes

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ATTEST:

Tribal Chairman, Tex G. Hal Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes