



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

A Resolution entitled, "Establishment of the Three Affiliated Tribes Standardized Minimum Rates for Oil and Gas Lease Bonus, Royalties and Road and Pipeline Easements"

- WHEREAS,** This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and said Act and having adopted a Constitution and By-Laws pursuant to said Act; and
- WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Tribal Business Council to engage in activity 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 of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes Provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** Article VI, Section 5(i) of the Constitution specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council of the Tribe to make assignments and leases of Tribal lands and otherwise to manage tribal lands, interests in Tribal lands, and property upon such lands, in conformity with Article IX of the Constitution; and
- WHEREAS,** Article IX of the Constitution specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to manage and lease or otherwise deal with tribal lands and resources in accordance with law; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes through its tribal council has previously established by Resolution a standardized minimum rate acceptable for Oil and Gas Lease Bonuses, Royalty Rates, and per acre easement rate for roads/ROWs and Pipelines; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes is aware of the changes in the market value of these rates in the ongoing energy exploration of the reservation and wishes to adjust these rates upward to reflect current pricing trends; this resolution will pertain only to proven fields,

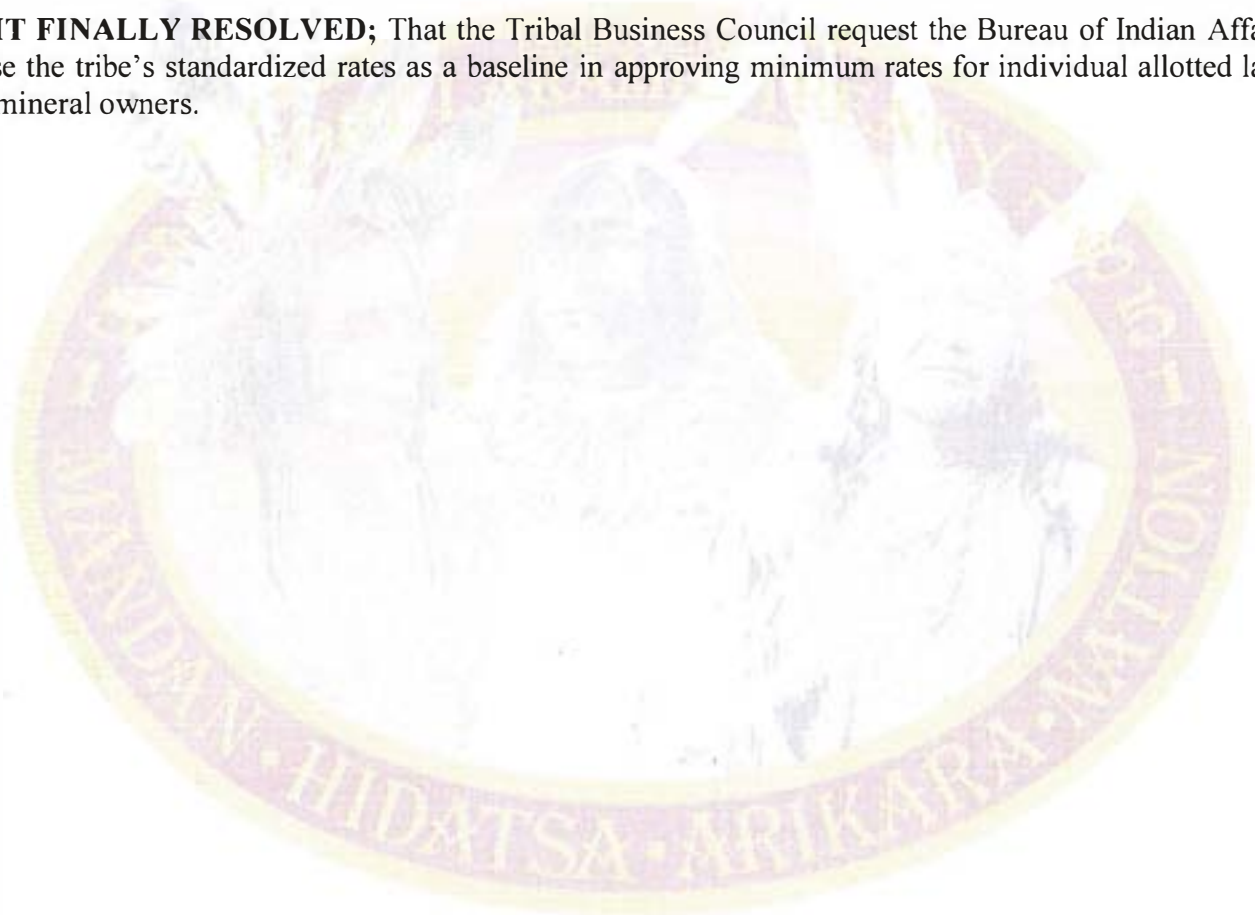
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby adopts the minimum standardized payments for any new oil and gas lease bonus, royalty rates, and easements for ROWs and Pipelines for oil companies and entities doing business within the boundaries of the Ft Berthold Reservation.

1. All Oil and Gas Leases with a minimum bonus bid rate of \$6000 dollars or equivalent per acre up to a maximum 5 year term.



2. All Oil and Gas Leases with a minimum royalty rate of 22%.
3. A Right of Way easement rates for roads, pipelines, access at a minimum of \$2000 per acre.
4. Rates at each well pad \$20,000.00 for each and \$5,000.00 at a minimum for each successive well.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED; That the Tribal Business Council request the Bureau of Indian Affairs to use the tribe's standardized rates as a baseline in approving minimum rates for individual allotted land and mineral owners.





CERTIFICATION

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

Chairman Voting. Not voting

Dated this 11 day of July, 2013

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Judy Brugh in blue ink.

Tribal Secretary, V. Judy Brugh
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

Handwritten signature of Tex G. Hall in blue ink.

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