

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

A Resolution entitled, "Lease to Missouri River Resources of 636.86 acres in Township 151N Range 94W"

- 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, The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes 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 VI, Section 5 (i) and Article IX of the Constitution authorizes the Tribal Business Council to lease tribal lands and resources, including minerals; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council created Missouri River Resources (Lessee) to participate in and profit from the oil and gas exploration on Reservation lands, and to ensure the MHA Nation receives the benefits of the natural resources that lay beneath its land; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council finds it is in the best interest of the MHA Nation to authorize, grant, and lease to the Lessee the exclusive right and privilege to drill for, extract, remove, and dispose of all the oil and gas deposits, or participate in the same, in or under the 636.86 acres in Township 151N Range 94W situated in the County of McKenzie, State of North Dakota, and more particularly described below.



**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** The Tribal Business Council authorizes, grants, and leases to the Lessee the exclusive right and privilege to drill for, extract, remove, and dispose of all the oil and gas deposits, or participate in the same, in or under the <u>636.86</u> acres in <u>Township 151N Range 94W</u> situated in the County of McKenzie, State of North Dakota, and more particularly described as follows:

## Township 151N, Range 94W

Section 25: The Missouri River Riverbed as it lies within the confines of Section 25 Containing 335.95 acres, more or less

## Township 151N, Range 94W

Section 36: The Missouri River Riverbed as it lies within the confines of Section 36 Containing 300.88 acres, more or less

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Tribal Business Council, in consideration for the lease to Lessee, agrees to accept a royalty of forty percent (40%) of the value of its share of oil and gas extracted from the land leased in accordance with the terms of the Lease.

**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, were present at a **Special** Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the **2**<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 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 [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015.

Tribal Secretary, L. Kenneth Hall

Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes ATTEST:

Tribal Chairman, Mark Fox

Tribal Business Council

Three Affiliated Tribes