



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

**A Resolution entitled, “Consent to Approval of a Right-of-Way across Tribal Land for the Vegas Pipeline Project Submitted by QEP Energy Company.”**

- WHEREAS,** This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, the authority under said Act, and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws under said Act, and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(1) of said Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Council, its Agencies and Officials; and
- WHEREAS,** Article IX Sections 1 and 3 of the Constitution provides that the Tribal Business Council has the authority to manage and lease or otherwise deal with tribal lands and resources; and
- WHEREAS,** Leases and Rights-of-Way (“ROWS”) across Tribal Trust land require the consent of the Tribal Business Council pursuant to federal and Tribal Law; and
- WHEREAS,** Applications for Rights of Way on Tribal Land are subject to the requirements of tribal law, including Resolution No. 17-117-FWF, Resolution No. 14-071-VJB (MHA Nation Application for Rights of Way and Use of Right of Way), Resolution No. 14-089-VJB (MHA Nation Pipeline Right-of-Way Terms and Conditions), and Resolution No. 15-045-LKH (Establishing a Procedure for the Approval of Leases, Rights of Way, Setback Variances and Permissions to Survey on Tribal Land); and
- WHEREAS,** QEP Energy Company (“QEP”) submitted a ROW application for the Vegas Pipeline Project to construct and install up to four (4) pipelines carrying oil, gas and water below ground connecting new production from previously approved facilities to existing pipeline infrastructure, including at least one steel pipeline carrying oil, one steel pipeline carrying gas, and one flexsteel pipeline carrying water, as well as a corridor for electrical/utility lines across certain Tribal tracts in Allotment 825A (50.00% Tribal interest) in Section 1, Township 149 North, Range 95 West, in McKenzie County, North Dakota, as more particularly described in Appendix A.1.; and





**WHEREAS,** The ROW application, submitted by QEP for the Vegas Pipeline Project, described above, has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the MHA Natural Resources Department and the MHA Nation Energy Division in accordance with the MHA Nation's approved procedure for authorizing ROWs on Tribal Land; and

**WHEREAS,** Pursuant to fees established and set forth in Resolution No. 17-117-FWF, the projected compensation to the MHA Nation for this ROW application is \$364.25; and

**WHEREAS,** On April 4, 2018, at a duly held meeting of the Natural Resources Committee ("NRC"), the MHA Nation Energy Division recommended approval of QEP Energy Company's ROW application and consent request for the Vegas Pipeline Project, more fully described herein, and in the attached Appendix A.1., and the NRC approved QEP Energy Company's application and forwarded it to the Tribal Business Council for final action.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** Subject to QEP Energy Company's agreement to the execution of the MHA Right-of-Way Application and Terms and Conditions, as listed therein, and payment of ROW fees, the Tribal Business Council hereby approves the following ROW application, attached as Appendix A.1, and ROW consent, as follows:

- QEP Energy Company – to construct and install up to four (4) pipelines carrying oil, gas and water below ground connecting new production from previously approved facilities to existing pipeline infrastructure, including at least one steel pipeline carrying oil, one steel pipeline carrying gas, and one flexsteel pipeline carrying water, as well as a corridor for electrical/utility lines across certain Tribal tracts in Allotment 825A (50.00% Tribal interest) in Section 1, Township 149 North, Range 95 West, in McKenzie County, North Dakota; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** In accordance with the MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Right-of-Ways, the ROW for the Vegas Pipeline Project will be subject to a twenty (20) year term, from the date of the BIA's execution of the grant of the ROW; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** The MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Right-of-Ways, executed by QEP Energy Company and the MHA Nation Energy Division, constituent a written agreement as part of the MHA Nation's consent to the grant of the ROW, and therefore, as provided in 25 CFR §169.107(a), the Tribal Business Council requests Bureau of Indian Affairs to incorporate these terms and conditions into the ROW grant for the Vegas Pipeline Project; and



**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Tribal Business Council retains the authority, as well as the delegation of authority to the MHA Nation Energy Division and other Tribal departments, to issue fines and set conditions to address and resolve ROW trespass, abandonment, non-use, and other violations, including violations of applicable MHA Nation Standard ROW Terms and Conditions, and further requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to defer to these remedies, in accordance with the intent and notice provisions in 25 CFR §169.403(a); and

**IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, That the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute such documents and take such further actions as are necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.

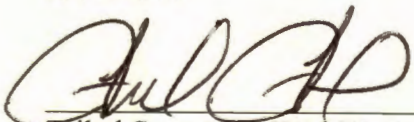
**CERTIFICATION**

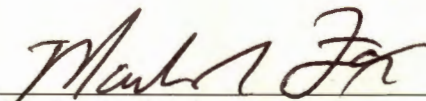
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 6 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox  
Tribal Business Council

  
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Chairman, Mark N. Fox  
Tribal Business Council





**APPENDIX A.1**

< Attach: (1) Application Form, (2) Approval Form signed by Department Head and Chairman of NRC per Resolution 15-045-LKH, (3) signed ROW terms and Conditions per Resolution No. 14-089-VJB, (4) map, and (5) other necessary information >