Resolution No. 87-46-72

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

- WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 and the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes 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 VI, Section 5 (i), of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to make assignments and leases of tribal lands, in accordance with the provisions of Article IX; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes and Enserch Exploration, Inc., on the behalf of EP Operating Company, negotiated the terms and conditions of an oil and gas lease option agreement which in turn was approved by the Area Director on March 25, 1987; and
- WHEREAS, Enserch Exploration, Inc., on the behalf of EP Operating Company has elected to exercise their option and lease twelve tracts of minerals; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Chairman is away from the Fort Berthold Reservation on official travel and not available to execute the twelve leases on behalf of the Three Affiliated Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council recognizes the importance of promptly executing the leases and returning them to Enserch Exploration, Inc., in order that the lease bonus and first years annual rental, can be forwarded to the Three Affiliated Tribes as expeditiously as possible.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes the Vice Chairman to sign the twelve (12) oil and gas leases dated April 23, 1987, between the Three Affiliated Tribes and EP Operating Company.

## 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 7 members of whom 5 constitutes a quorum, were present at a Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the Meeting, day of 1987; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of members, members opposed, members abstained, members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman (voting) (not voting).

Dated this THe day of May 1987

Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Vice Chairman, Tribal Business Council