

## 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 Submitted by Enerplus Resources for the Spices Pad Project."

- 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 ("ROWs") on Tribal Land are subject to the requirements of tribal law, including Resolution No. 13-109-VJB (Establishment of the Three Affiliated Tribes Standardized Minimum Rates for Oil and Gas Lease Bonus, Royalties and Road and Pipeline Easements), 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, Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation ("Enerplus") submitted a ROW application for the Spices Pad project, including well pad, seven (7) well bores, access road, utilities, fiber optics and above ground appurtenances and temporary water lines, across 26.579 acres of tribal lands in Allotment 894A (0.3238095238% tribal interest), located in Section 26, Township 149 North, Range 93 West in Dunn County, North Dakota, as more particularly described in Appendix A.1.; and



- WHEREAS, The projected compensation to the MHA Nation for this ROW application is \$28,674.14; and
- WHEREAS, The ROW application, submitted by Enerplus for the Spices Pad 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, On November 15, 2016, at a duly held meeting of the Natural Resources Committee ("NRC"), the MHA Nation Energy Division recommended for approval of Enerplus's ROW consent request for the Spices Pad project, more fully described herein, and in the attached Appendix A.1., and the NRC approved Enerplus's application and forwarded it to the Tribal Business Council for final action.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Subject to Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation'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, as more particularly described in Appendix A.1, and ROW consent, as follows:
  - Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation Spices Pad, for a well pad, seven (7) wellbores, access road, utilities, fiber optics and above ground appurtenances and temporary water lines, across 26.579 acres of tribal lands in Allotment 894A (0.3238095238% tribal interest), located in Section 26, Township 149 North, Range 93 West in Dunn County, North Dakota.
- **BE 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 Indian Reservation hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2016, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 1 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2016.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, Fred Fox Tribal Business Council

Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox Tribal Business Council

**Resolution No. 16-278-FWF** 



## **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>

