

## 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 (T 565A-E & T 567A-C), application submitted by Bear Mountain LLC."
- 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, also known as the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation ("Tribes" or "MHA Nation"), 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 provide 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. 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, Bear Mountain LLC, a North Dakota limited liability company, submitted a ROW application for a TAT Four Bears Segment Utility Corridor, across Tribal tracts T 565A-E & T 567A-C, Section 30, Township 152 North, Range 94 West, McKenzie County, 5<sup>th</sup> PM of North Dakota; and



- **WHEREAS**, The ROW application, has been reviewed and recommended for approval in accordance with the MHA Nation's approved procedure for authorizing ROWs on Tribal land.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that subject to Bear Mountain LLC's execution of the MHA ROW Terms and Conditions, and payment of ROW fees, the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby approves the following ROW application:
  - Bear Mountain LLC Utility Corridor Four Bears Segment.
    - Utility Corridor Service Line being 3,000 feet in length, temporary construction easement of 5 acres and a 4-acre permanent easement. T 565A-E & T 567A-C, Section 30, Township 152 North, Range 94 West, McKenzie County, 5<sup>th</sup> PM of North Dakota, 100% Tribal Interest; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the ROW shall have a thirty (30) year term, from the date of the BIA's execution of the grant of the ROW for said project; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Tribes do not consent to waive any bond, insurance, or alternative form of security; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Rights-of-Way, executed by Bear Mountain LLC, constitutes 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 the Bureau of Indian Affairs to incorporate these terms and conditions into the ROW grant for Bear Mountain LLC; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that 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
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that in accordance with Tribal law and policy, as well as applicable federal regulations, all ROW grantees must obtain the prior written approval from the MHA Nation before assigning a ROW that contains any Tribal interest, and therefore, the Tribal Business Council does not pre-consent to any further assignment of the ROW; and





**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 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, 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 15th day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox

Tribal Business Council
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Chairman, Mark N. Fox Tribal Business Council

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