

## 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 (T2224) for the Fish South Flowlines, Fiber Optics, and Associated Appurtenances Project Submitted by Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation."

- WHEREAS, The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (MHA Nation), also known as the Three Affiliated Tribes, having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, the authority under said Act, and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws (the Constitution) under said Act, and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the MHA Nation; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution 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 MHA Nation and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(1) of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt Resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Business 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 (Establishing 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), Resolution No. 17-117-FWF (Approval of Fee Structure), and Resolution No. 18-212-FWF and 21-082-FWF (Amending Fee Structure); and



- WHEREAS, Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation submitted a ROW application for the Fish South Flowlines, Fiber Optics, and Associated Appurtenances Project, across certain Tribal tract, Allotment T 2224 (100.00% Tribal Interest), located in Section 3, of Township 148 North, Range 94 West, in Dunn County, North Dakota as more particularly described in Appendix A.1.; and
- WHEREAS, The ROW for this application consists of 1.953 Acres for Permanent Pipeline Right of Way (60 foot wide) and an additional 0.977 Acres for Temporary Construction Right-of-Way (90 foot wide total including the permanent width, see plats for details) for the construction, maintenance, and repair, for up to Ten (10) oil and/or gas flowlines up to six inches (6") in diameter for constructing, reconstructing, operating, maintaining, installing gates, inspecting, repairing, replacing, changing the size of, re-laying, or removing pipelines together with such valves, fittings, meters, corrosion control devices, wires, cables, electronic telemetry, communications equipment, pipelines operating control devices, and other equipment, and associated appurtenances, (referred to collectively as "associated appurtenances") Pipeline Right-of-Way Fiber Optics, and Associated Appurtenances; 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,** Subject to the MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Right-of-Ways, and payment of applicable ROW fees, the Tribal Business Council hereby approves the ROW application, attached as Appendix A.1, and consents to the following ROW:
  - Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation the Fish South Flowlines, Fiber Optics, and Associated Appurtenances Project,
    - consists of 1.953 Acres for Permanent Pipeline Right of Way (60 foot wide) and an additional 0.977 Acres for Temporary Construction Right-of-Way (90 foot wide total including the permanent width, see plats for details) for the construction, maintenance, and repair, for up to Ten (10) oil and/or gas flowlines up to six inches (6") in diameter.
    - across certain tribal tracts in Allotment T2224 in Section 3, of Township 148 North, Range 94 West, in Dunn County, North Dakota, with 100.00% tribal interest.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the ROW shall have a 20 year term.



- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** The Tribe does not consent to waive any bond, insurance, or alternative form of security.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** The MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Rightsof-Way are incorporated into this consent to approval 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 grant of the ROW.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** The Tribe retains the authority to issue fines and set conditions to address and resolve ROW trespass, abandonment, non-use, and other violations, including violations of the applicable MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Rights-of-Way, and further requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to defer to these remedies, in accordance with the intent and notice provisions, as provided in 25 CFR §169.403(a).
- **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.

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## 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  $8^{th}$  day of March, 2023, 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, Fred/W. Fox Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes

Chairman, Mark N. Fox Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes