

DRAFT SURFACE LEASE

This Draft Lease is provided for the convenience and information of bidders, so that potential bidders will be fully informed of all terms, rights and obligations under the lease. It substantially represents all applicable terms, rights and obligations of the parties. However, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries expressly reserves the right to alter the language of the lease prior to execution thereof.

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE**

**WHITE LAKE WETLANDS
CONSERVATION AREA
(WLWCA)-SURFACE LEASE
NO. LDWF-WLWCA-2021-J.**

This contract of lease is entered into on this _____ day of _____, 2021 by and between:

STATE OF LOUISIANA, THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES, herein represented by its Secretary, Jack Montoucet, and hereinafter referred to as LESSOR; and

_____,
herein represented by _____, its Managing Partner, and hereinafter referred to as LESSEE, and who also appears in his individual capacity as solidary guarantor under this lease, and does expressly obligate himself individually, *in solido*, with LESSEE to all indebtednesses and obligations of LESSEE hereunder.

This lease will become binding on LESSOR only after execution by LESSOR and delivery to LESSEE. Deposit of LESSEE’s first rental payment into any account of LESSOR does not constitute acceptance of this lease by LESSOR.

PROPERTY

Pursuant to LSA R.S. 41:1211, *et seq.*, R.S. 56:30.3 and R.S. 56:799.1, *et seq.*, and upon the terms, conditions and considerations hereinafter set forth, LESSOR does hereby lease and let unto LESSEE, without any warranty of title whatsoever express or implied, the following described property owned by the State of Louisiana and situated in the Parish of Vermilion, State of Louisiana, on the White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area (“the property”), *to wit*:

See Exhibit “A” attached

The property is offered “AS IS”. There shall be no diminution of rental for any reason, including but not limited to, the reduction of acreage due to subsidence, erosion, or flooding.

PURPOSE

This lease is made and executed by LESSOR to LESSEE for the limited purposes of:

Waterfowl and other game bird hunting, deer hunting, rabbit hunting, recreational reptile and amphibian harvest, and alligator trapping. Should LESSEE desire additional usage of the property, LESSEE will be required

to submit a written request to White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area Manager and a written response will be issued either granting or denying the request.

RESERVATIONS

LESSOR reserves the full use and enjoyment of the property, both surface and subsurface, for any and all purposes except those particular uses granted hereinabove to LESSEE. LESSOR's reservation includes, but is not limited to the following rights:

1. LESSOR reserves all rights of whatever nature and kind in and to all minerals on or under the property. These rights include, but are not limited to, all operations which are necessary, useful or convenient for the exploration, exploitation, drilling, mining, production, development, storage and transportation of all oil, gas, sulphur and other minerals, on or under the property or any other lands under the control of LESSOR.

2. LESSOR reserves all rights of whatever nature and kind in and to all other surface or subsurface uses of the property. These rights include, but are not limited to, all operations which are necessary, useful or convenient for the exploration, exploitation, mining, production and development of all sand, gravel or shell deposits; issuance of servitudes and rights-of-way; and issuance of permits and leases.

3. LESSOR reserves all rights of whatever nature and kind in and to all timber and forest products on the property. These rights include, but are not limited to management and/or removal of timber and forest products.

4. LESSOR may exercise the rights reserved herein including all access necessary for the exercise of these rights, without LESSEE's consent, so long as those rights granted do not prohibit LESSEE's use of the property. LESSOR agrees to exercise its rights reserved herein so as not to disturb LESSEE's use of the property, except as necessary for research, management, maintenance or emergency situations. LESSEE hereby expressly agrees and declares that LESSOR shall not be liable to LESSEE for damages resulting from the exercise of any rights reserved herein.

TERM AND RENTAL

1. This lease shall commence on **February 1, 2021**. The term of this lease shall end on **January 31, 2031**.

2. As consideration for LESSEE's rights under this lease, the parties acknowledge that LESSEE has paid _____ Dollars (\$ _____), representing one hundred percent (100%) of the annual rental payment for the lease period of February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022. Beginning March 1, 2022 and by or before March 1st of each succeeding year, LESSEE agrees to pay an annual advance rental of _____ Dollars (\$ _____) which will cover the period from February 1st through January 31st of each year. (Example: The March 1, 2022 payment will cover the rental period from February 1, 2022 to January 31, 2023.) Further consideration for this lease, in addition to the rent, shall be the mutual covenants between LESSOR and LESSEE herein contained.

3. Any rental payment of rent accruing under the provisions of this lease which shall not be paid when due shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12 %) per annum, or the maximum rate of interest permitted by Louisiana law, whichever is the lesser amount, beginning thirty (30) days from the date when the rental payment was due by the terms of this lease, until the amount is paid by the LESSEE.

4. LESSOR shall adjust the rental to reflect the percentage of increase or decrease in the cost of living index as established by the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor or any revision or equivalent of any such index published by the U.S. Government which has occurred from date of this instrument to the date of adjustment; provided however, that in no event shall consideration of such renewal be less than the consideration paid herein for the original term. This adjustment shall be done in the fourth (4th) year of the lease and every five (5) years thereafter, and shall be cumulative.

5. In addition to the above rental, LESSEE agrees to pay LESSOR forty percent (40 %) of the gross proceeds from the sale of any wild alligators harvested from the property. Said alligator payment will be made annually within five days from the sale of said alligators and must be accompanied by copies of receipts from the sale of pelts and/or alligators.

6. **All payments shall be mailed to Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Attn: Fiscal Revenue Section, 2nd Floor, Post Office Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000.** If LESSEE fails to pay any rental or other payment due within 30 days of the due date, LESSOR may terminate this lease immediately and repossess the property without notice or action at law, and may sue for and recover all rentals or other payments then accrued and other rentals or other payments to accrue during the term hereof, or may take any other action for relief either at law or in equity, including, but not limited to, seizure and sale of LESSEE's property on the property as provided by Louisiana law.

CONDITIONS

1. Prior to any and all construction, operation or maintenance activities on the property, LESSEE agrees to contact the LDWF's White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area (hereinafter, "WLWCA") property manager for the purpose of coordinating the planned activities. All activities conducted on the property shall be subject to the rules and regulations of WLWCA. LESSEE shall provide written requests for all hunting blind installations, controlled burns and any operations that affect water flow in canals. Activities must receive written approval from the WLWCA Manager before LESSEE may proceed.

2. This lease is granted subject to all existing surface leases, mineral leases, servitudes, rights-of-way, permits or any other contracts of record affecting the property.

3. LESSEE shall remediate to the extent LESSOR determines to be practical all adverse environmental impacts occasioned by LESSEE's activities under this agreement.

4. LESSEE agrees to comply with all federal, state and local statutes, rules, regulations and ordinances relating to hunting, fishing, trapping, environmental, sewer, sanitation, fire, safety and any other regulated activities and provide our office with proof of compliance.

5. LESSEE agrees to comply with all requirements of any levee board flood control servitude existing on the property.

6. LESSEE accepts possession of the leased premises as being in good order and repair. LESSEE shall occupy the leased premises at its own risk, and LESSOR shall not be liable to LESSEE, LESSEE's employees, agents, invitees, licensees, or any other person, for any damage to person or property caused by any act, omission or neglect by LESSEE, LESSEE's successors or assigns, or by reason of any defect in the leased premises, whether apparent or latent.

7. LESSEE agrees to use the property as a good and careful administrator. This includes maintaining the property in a neat, clean and orderly manner at all times. No hazardous waste materials shall be released, placed, or stored by LESSEE on or under the property.

8. The parties hereto recognize that it might hereafter become necessary or desirable to widen, deepen or make some other work of public improvement on land or on the streams or water bottoms over and through which the property under this agreement is located, and LESSEE accepts this lease under the express condition and with the distinct understanding that, if any such work by the United States, the State of Louisiana, or any agency, board, commission, department or political subdivision of either, makes it necessary to alter or relocate any constructions thereon, the entire cost of such alteration or relocation shall be borne by the LESSEE, this responsibility on the part of the LESSEE being part of the consideration for which this grant is made. This provision, however, shall not prejudice the LESSEE's right to receive indemnification and/or relocation costs from the United States, the State of Louisiana or any agency, board, commission, department or political subdivision of either in the event that there is an appropriation for payment of such costs.

9. Should an Agent or Attorney be employed to give special attention to the enforcement or protection of any claim of LESSOR arising from this lease, LESSEE shall pay as

fees and compensation to such Agent or Attorney such sum as will constitute a reasonable fee including all court costs, together with all other costs, charges and expenses or reimbursement for actual costs occasioned by LESSOR, at LESSOR's discretion.

10. LESSEE shall use due care to avoid damage to the leased premises or anything related thereto, including timber, crops, wildlife, game, fish, and other plant and animal life, except as may be contemplated by this lease. LESSEE shall maintain, repair and restore at its own expense all canals, ditches, dams, levees, roads, bridges, fences and other structures on the leased premises which may be worn or damaged by LESSEE's use or possession hereunder. LESSEE shall be responsible for any and all damages to the leased premises or anything related thereto which may result from LESSEE's use or possession hereunder. LESSEE shall not conduct any activities which require a Corp of Engineers wetland permit without advance written notice to, and express written permission from, LESSOR. In such event, LESSEE shall cooperate with LESSOR to obtain the necessary permits prior to the commencement of such activities.

- a. In the event LESSEE does not repair any and all damages to the leased premises due to LESSEE's use or possession, LESSOR will make all necessary repairs to the leased premises. LESSOR will present LESSEE with a written demand for payment of all fees and costs associated with the repairs to the leased premises. LESSEE shall have 15 (fifteen) days upon receipt of the demand to submit payment in full to LESSOR for reimbursement of the fees and costs of the repairs. If payment is not received by LESSOR from LESSEE within the fifteen (15) day period then LESSOR, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to terminate this lease.
- b. In the event that damage to the leased premises occurs, LESSEE shall, upon noticing such damage, immediately commence efforts to remedy such damage. In the event that LESSOR becomes aware of any damage prior to the commencement of LESSEE's remedial efforts, LESSOR shall give LESSEE written notice of the damages and an account of what needs to be repaired. LESSEE shall then commence good faith repairs as soon as practicable, but not to exceed a period of seven (7) days from LESSEE's receipt of the written notice. In the event LESSEE does not timely repair any and all damages to the leased premises due to LESSEE's use or possession, LESSOR will make all necessary repairs to the leased premises. LESSOR will present LESSEE with a written demand for payment of all fees and costs associated with the repairs to the leased premises. LESSEE shall have 15 (fifteen) days upon receipt of the demand to submit payment in full to LESSOR for reimbursement of the fees and costs of the repairs. If payment is not received by LESSOR from LESSEE within the fifteen (15) day period then LESSOR, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to terminate this lease.

11. LESSEE may clear all underbrush from the property but no trees over 6 inches in diameter may be cut on the property without prior approval of LESSOR.

12. LESSEE will be allowed to hunt no more than one (1) waterfowl blind each day on the leased acreage with no more than four (4) hunters per blind. LESSEE shall not conduct or allow waterfowl hunting after 12:00 noon each day on the leased acreage. All waterfowl hunting shall be conducted from established waterfowl blind locations. No hunting from levees or boats will be allowed. LESSOR reserves the right to make the final and future decisions concerning blind location and installation on the leased acreage.

- a. LESSEE shall have no more than one (1) waterfowl blind installed on the Property at all times.
- b. Upon written request by LESSEE and approval by WLWCA Manager, layout/field blinds may be used during a Conservation Order for Light Geese with no more than four (4) hunters per day.

Only snow, blue, and Ross's geese may be harvested during the Conservation Order.

13. LESSEE shall, at its own risk and expense, cause the property to be properly and adequately policed for the purpose of protecting waterfowl thereon from molestation, injury or destruction, except as contemplated by this lease, and for the purpose of preventing violations of the law being committed upon the property; and if LESSEE shall fail to do so, then LESSOR may cancel this lease on fifteen (15) days written notice to LESSEE; or LESSOR, at its election, may provide policing as in its judgment shall be necessary for such purposes, and shall charge to and collect from LESSEE the reasonable cost thereof. LESSOR shall have the continuing right to provide for such additional policing of the property, or any part or parts thereof as LESSOR may desire. LESSEE shall grant access to LESSOR's agents and employees for any purpose required by LESSOR.

14. The hunting rights granted hereunder are exclusively for the benefit of LESSEE, his LESSOR-approved annual sub-LESSEE, and their guests and invitees. LESSEE shall not allow or conduct commercial or "for profit" hunting on the leased premises, as determined solely by LESSOR.

15. The possession of the property by LESSEE hereunder, and any previous possession of LESSEE, is considered to be that of LESSOR or LESSOR's predecessors or successors in title, LESSEE claiming no interest in the leased premises by reason of any previous possession of LESSEE or any other person. LESSEE agrees to notify LESSOR immediately in the event of damages to or encroachment upon the property.

16. LESSEE hereby agrees to request and receive LESSOR's written consent before using any unmanned aircraft system(s) or drone(s) (hereinafter, unmanned aircraft systems and drones are collectively referred to as "drones") on the Property. LESSEE acknowledges and agrees that, in order to be considered for approval of operating a drone(s) on the Property, the drone(s) must be registered in accordance with any applicable state law and regulations pertinent to the requested usage (e.g., La. R.S. 3:41 *et seq.*), and the operator of the drone(s) must first be in possession of any valid and applicable license pertaining to the operation of unmanned aircraft system(s) or drone(s) in the state of Louisiana. Throughout its approved usage of drones on the Property, LESSEE further agrees to remain in compliance with any and all applicable state and federal laws and regulations regarding such usage.

EXISTING STRUCTURES AND PUMPS

1. In the event that LESSEE and the most recent LESSEE of record on the leased property (hereinafter "previous LESSEE") are not the same person or entity, then, in that event, the previous LESSEE shall have ninety (90) days from the effective date of the succeeding lease to remove structures or pumps from the leased property. In lieu of this option, LESSEE herein may negotiate with the previous LESSEE for a purchase of the said structures and pumps. In the event that the previous LESSEE does not remove his structures and pumps and does not negotiate to sell such structures and pumps to LESSEE, then in that event LESSOR shall be deemed to be the owner of said structures and pumps, and LESSEE hereby agrees to, by ninety (90) days from the date of execution of the lease:

- a. On behalf of LESSOR, at LESSOR's sole option, remove said structures and pumps from the leased property at LESSEE's cost; or
- b. Purchase said structures and pumps from LESSOR at fair market value.

NEW IMPROVEMENTS, STRUCTURES AND PUMPS

1. There shall be no permanent residences on the property.
2. LESSEE shall not make any improvements, additions, alterations, constructions or reconstructions of any nature whatsoever to the property, including constructing or placing any structures, without prior written permission from LESSOR. LESSEE shall provide LESSOR evidence that any improvements meet all applicable codes and standards.

3. LESSEE shall not obligate the LESSOR or create any liability on LESSOR's part for materials used in the construction and maintenance of additions of improvements, or contract for any labor in connection therewith, if such actions constitute or create a lien on the property, and LESSEE shall hold LESSOR harmless from any and all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney fees, arising from or associated with any such actions by the LESSEE.

4. LESSEE shall be deemed to be the owner of any structure(s) and pumps placed or constructed on the property. Additionally, the parties agree and stipulate that any other thing or materials placed on the property by LESSEE which becomes immovable by nature, use, and/or destination, shall become part of the property and shall not be removed therefrom without the prior written consent of LESSOR.

5. In the event that LESSEE does not become the LESSEE under succeeding leases of the property, then, in that event, LESSEE shall have ninety (90) days from the date of execution of the succeeding lease to remove any structures or pumps from the leased property. In lieu of this option, LESSEE herein may negotiate with the succeeding LESSEE for a purchase of the said structures and pumps. In the event that the LESSEE does not remove his structures and pumps, and does not negotiate to sell such structures and pumps to the succeeding LESSEE, then in that event LESSOR shall be deemed to be the owner of said structures and pumps, and shall have the right to remove the said structures and pumps at LESSEE's total cost.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

It is contracted and agreed that the LESSEE herein must submit to the LESSOR herein within thirty (30) days from the signing of this lease, and on an annual basis, a CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE from a good and solvent insurance company, naming the State of Louisiana, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission herein as INSUREDS in the sum of **ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000.00)**, General Comprehensive Liability Insurance, insuring LESSOR against claims for bodily injury and property damage, said insurance to cover the entire term of this lease.

SUBLEASE

This agreement shall be binding upon LESSOR and LESSEE, their respective successors and assigns. This lease may not be subleased or otherwise transferred in whole or in part without the prior written permission of LESSOR. Should LESSOR approve the subletting of the leased premises, LESSOR will provide LESSEE with an approved SUBLESSEE AGREEMENT that will be executed by LESSOR, LESSEE and SUBLESSEE. All subleases shall be for a period of one year.

HOLD HARMLESS

LESSEE accepts the property in its present condition, and LESSOR shall not be responsible for damage of any kind to any person or property arising out of or resulting from LESSEE's use of the property. It is agreed and understood that LESSOR shall be fully protected during the terms of this agreement and LESSEE hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, save, and hold harmless the LDWF, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission ("LWFC"), and the State of Louisiana, their officers, agents, servants, representatives, and employees, including volunteers, from and against any and all claims, demands, expenses and liability arising out of this agreement or injury, death, damage, loss, or destruction of any property, which may occur or is in any way related to any alleged act or omission of LESSEE, its agents, servants, and employees, and any other person on the property with or without the permission of LESSEE, and any and all costs, expense and/or attorney fees incurred by LESSEE or LESSOR as a result of any claims, demands, and/or causes of action, including those claims, demands, and/or causes of action arising out of the alleged negligence or breach of duty of the LDWF, the LWFC, or the State of Louisiana or their officers, agents, servants, representatives, and employees and which arise as a result of this agreement or which may occur as a result of or which are in any manner related to any alleged act or omission of LESSEE, its agents, servants, and employees, and any other person on the property with the permission of LESSEE, its agents, servants, and employees, and any other person on the property with the permission of LESSEE. LESSEE shall not be liable to any person on the property without LESSEE's permission, for injury, death, damage, loss, or destruction of any property

unless caused by LESSEE's negligence. LESSEE agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for and defend any such claims, demands, or suits at its sole expense and agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto, including judgments, settlements, costs, attorney fees, and expenses of defense, even if such claims, demands, and/or causes of action are groundless, false, or fraudulent.

TERMINATION/CANCELLATION

1. Should LESSEE violate or fail to perform any of the provisions or conditions of this lease, express or implied, then LESSOR may cancel this lease if within fifteen (15) days of receipt of written notice to such effect from LESSOR, LESSEE fails to remedy the violation or failure to the satisfaction of LESSOR. In the event a lawsuit is filed pursuant to the foregoing provisions, LESSEE shall pay all costs and expenses related thereto, including reasonable attorney's fees. LESSEE will remain responsible/liable for any personal property or equipment covered by this lease, remaining on the site after said lease has been suspended.

2. Should LESSEE be found by a tribunal of competent jurisdiction to have used the property or any portion thereof in any manner which violates any state or federal statute, rule or regulation, and for which violation a fine of **TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000)** or greater or a prison sentence is assessed, this lease will automatically terminate without further action on the part of LESSOR. LESSOR reserves the right to review any fish or wildlife violations that occur on the property, and at its sole option, terminate this lease for same.

3. Non-use of the rights granted hereunder for a continuous period of one (1) year shall, at the option of LESSOR, operate as an abandonment by the LESSEE of this agreement. In this instance, this lease and all rights granted hereunder shall terminate, except when existing causes of force majeure actually prevent the use of the lease and satisfactory evidence thereof is submitted to the Secretary of LDWF.

4. There shall be no right of return of all or part of the consideration paid should this lease be terminated for any reason except as provided in Paragraph 7 below.

5. In the event of cancellation or termination for any reason, LESSEE or its successors hereby agree to remove at their sole risk, cost and expense, any or all structures or pumps and to restore the property to its original condition within ninety (90) days of notice of the lease termination. In the event LESSEE fails to remove all structures or pumps within ninety (90) days of lease termination, then LESSOR will acquire ownership of the said structures and pumps and owes nothing to the LESSEE. Should LESSOR undertake the removal of any or all of said structures or pumps, and restoration of the property by reason of LESSEE's or its assigns' failure or refusal to do so, then LESSEE and its assigns expressly consent and agree to reimburse LESSOR for the full cost incurred for such removal and restoration.

6. There shall be no tacit or implied reconduction or renewal of this lease under any circumstances, including any continued occupancy by the LESSEE after the expiration of the expressed term, and LESSEE shall have no claim whatsoever, whether legal, equitable, moral or otherwise, to obtain a renewal of this lease or further grant of leasehold rights. This lease shall automatically terminate if LESSEE ceases to exist or becomes the subject of a petition in bankruptcy.

7. It is understood and agreed that should it be determined that the property leased herein is required for a public purpose by LESSOR, LESSEE shall be so notified by writing and this lease, or a portion thereof, shall be cancelled and terminated and the property surrendered ninety (90) days from the date of receipt of said notice, in which case LESSEE shall receive a refund of rent proportional to the loss of lease acreage.

8. The above enumerated rights to terminate this lease are in addition to LESSOR's right to terminate this lease for failure to make timely payment of rentals or other payments due.

ECOLOGICAL PROTECTION

The granting of this lease shall not be a bar or defense to the right of the LESSOR or the State of Louisiana and its agencies, boards and commissions to take any and all action necessary to seek abatement of LESSEE’s construction or operations that unreasonably or unlawfully interfere with or disturb the existing ecological regimen, including, but not limited to, fishing, hunting, and trapping, and to seek legal recourse for any and all damage to the existing ecological regimen arising out of LESSEE’s activities.

ENFORCEMENT OF PROVISIONS; SEVERABILITY

The failure of either party to this lease to insist on the performance of any of the terms and conditions of this lease, or the waiver of any breach of any of the terms and conditions of this lease, shall not be construed as thereafter waiving any such terms and conditions, but such terms and conditions shall continue and remain in full force and effect as if no such forbearance or waiver had occurred. The invalidity of any portion of this lease will not and shall not be deemed to affect the validity of any other provision. In the event any provision of this lease is held to be invalid, the parties agree that the remaining provisions shall be deemed to be in full force and effect as if they had been executed by both parties subsequent to the expungement of the invalid provision.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT; EFFECT OF LAW

This lease constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and any prior understanding or representation of any kind preceding the date of this lease shall not be binding on either party except to the extent incorporated in this lease. Any modification of this lease or additional obligation assumed by either party in connection with this lease shall be binding only if in writing signed by each party or an authorized representative of each party. The parties to this lease understand and agree that the provisions herein shall, between them, have the effect of law; but in reference to matters not provided herein, this lease shall be governed by the laws of the State of Louisiana.

VENUE

The venue for any claims or actions arising out of this lease, as well as any claims or actions arising out of the awarding of this lease, shall be in the Nineteenth Judicial District Court, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.

NOTICES

All notices required to be provided under this lease shall be as follows:

LESSOR: Jack Montoucet, Secretary (or successor)
 Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
 P.O. Box 98000
 Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

LESSEE: _____

Any notice provided for in this lease shall be in writing and be deemed sufficiently given when sent by certified or registered mail sent to the respective address of each party as set forth herein. Each party may change its address under this Agreement by giving the other party thirty (30) days advance written notice.

The terms, covenants, and conditions of this lease shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties, their successors and assigns.

The Remainder Left Blank Intentionally

(Signatures to follow on the next two pages)

THUS DONE, EXECUTED AND SIGNED, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in triplicate, on the dates below subscribed.

WITNESSES:

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

LESSOR:

Print Name:

Jack Montoucet, Secretary

Print Name:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR LESSOR

ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared, _____, being first duly sworn, did depose and say that the within foregoing instrument was signed by **Jack Montoucet**, Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the LESSOR, in affiant's presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witness.

Signature of Affiant:

Print Name: _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this ____ day of _____, 20____, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

NOTARY PUBLIC
Print Name: _____
Notary ID: _____
My Commission Expires: _____

THUS DONE, EXECUTED AND SIGNED, in _____, _____, in triplicate, on the dates below subscribed.

WITNESSES:

Print Name: _____

Print Name: _____

LESSEE:

By: _____
[name]
Managing Partner

ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR LESSEE

STATE OF _____
PARISH OR COUNTY OF: _____

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared, _____, being first duly sworn, did depose and say that the within foregoing instrument was signed by, _____, LESSEE, in affiant's presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witness.

Signature of Affiant:

Print Name: _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this _____ day of _____, 20____, in _____, _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC
Print Name: _____
Notary ID: _____
My Commission Expires: _____

EXHIBIT A

Waterfowl and other game bird hunting, deer hunting, rabbit hunting, recreational reptile and amphibian harvest, and alligator trapping.

Vermilion Parish, LA

Township 14 South – Range 1 West

Section 16: Entire Section

Total lease acreage is approximately 640 acres and is situated in Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

and herein identified as Tract J.