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TUNICA-BILOXI TRIBE OF LOUISIANA
RESOLUTION #: TBNR-2019-015

**Authorization for the submission of the
2019 Energy and Mineral Development Program (EMDP) comprehensive application to the U.S.
Department of the Interior - Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs to fund resource assessments on
the Reservation, Trust, and/or allotted properties.**

WHEREAS, the Tunica-Biloxi Tribal Council ("Council") is the duly elected governing body of the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana, as authorized by Article VII, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana was adopted, effective January 1, 1999, and is acknowledged by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana is headquartered on the Tribal Reservation, located in Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Council is aware that the Reservation has a number of natural resources and understand the importance of analyzing such resources in order to value and grade the feasibility of developing each resource; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary to assess the value and feasibility of developing resources, namely Solid and Fluid Minerals, to benefit the members and stakeholders to the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana wishes to have the assistance of the DEMD and the assistance of qualified contractors for conduct of geotechnical and other technical, investigative efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana designates and authorizes the Tribal Administrator to be the project team lead; and

WHEREAS, the following comprehensive application is being submitted to DEMD on behalf of the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana: 2019 Solid and Fluid Minerals Value Evaluation; and

WHEREAS, the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana is willing to consider developing any potential energy and mineral resource discovered; and

WHEREAS, the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana will consider public release of non-proprietary data or reports obtained by the EMDP project; and

WHEREAS, the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana comprehensive application shall include four (4) component projects, namely:

- Project 1: Solid Minerals
- Project 2: 3D Seismic
- Project 3: Reservoir Study
- Project 4: 2D Seismic Data Licensing

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, upon meeting in duly authorized quorum and upon receiving majority vote, the Council of the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana hereby authorizes the submission of the above comprehensive application in order to perform the abovementioned studies for a request of approximately **\$2,371,184.37**; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Council of the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana approves the Chairman to take all actions necessary to fulfill the mandates of this Resolution, this being done the 14 day of March, 2019.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary/Treasurer of the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana, certify that the Tribal Council of said Tribe is composed of seven (7) members, of whom 5, Constitutes a quorum, were present at a meeting thereof, duly called and convened this 14 day of March, 2019; and that the foregoing RESOLUTION was duly adopted.

ATTEST:



Marshall Pierite, Chairman



Beverly C. Rachal, Secretary/Treasurer