

Case No. <sup>1371</sup>~~1367~~  
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Sept 28, 200

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Adopted 6-17-77

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

\$50,000.00 BLANKET PLUGGING BOND

BOND NO. 980F9988  
(For Use of Surety Company)

Note: File with Oil Conservation Commission, P. O. Box 2088, Santa Fe 87501

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That Tempo Energy, Inc., (An individual) (a partnership)  
(a corporation organized in the State of Texas, with its principal office in the city of  
Midland, State of Texas, and authorized to do business in  
the State of New Mexico), as PRINCIPAL, and The Travelers Indemnity Company, a  
corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, and authorized  
to do business in the State of New Mexico, as SURETY, are held firmly bound unto the State of New Mexico, for the use  
and benefit of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico pursuant to Section 65-3-11, New Mexico Statutes  
Annotated, 1953 Compilation, as amended, in the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) lawful money of the United  
States, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, said PRINCIPAL and SURETY hereby bind themselves, their  
successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

The conditions of this obligation are such that:

WHEREAS, The above principal has heretofore or may hereafter enter into oil and gas leases, or carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) gas leases, or  
helium gas leases with the State of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, The above principal has heretofore or may hereafter enter into oil and gas leases, or carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) gas leases, or  
helium gas leases on lands patented by the United States of America to private individuals, and on lands otherwise owned by private  
individuals; and

WHEREAS, The above principal, individually, or in association with one or more other parties, has commenced or may commence  
the drilling of wells to prospect for and produce oil or gas, or carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) gas or helium gas, or does own or may acquire, own or  
operate such well, or such wells started by others on land embraced in said State oil and gas leases, or carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) gas leases, or  
helium gas leases, and on land patented by the United States of America to private individuals, and on land otherwise owned by private  
individuals, the identification and location of said well being expressly waived by both principal and surety hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, If the above bounden principal and surety or either of them or their successors or assigns, or any of them, shall  
plug all of said wells when dry or when abandoned in accordance with the rules, regulations, and orders of the Oil Conservation Commission  
of New Mexico in such way as to confine the oil, gas, and water in the strata in which they are found, and to prevent them from escaping into  
other strata:

THEN, THEREFORE, This obligation shall be null and void; otherwise and in default of complete compliance with any and all of said  
obligations, the same shall remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That thirty (30) days after receipt by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico of written notice of  
cancellation from the surety, the obligation of the surety hereunder shall terminate as to property or wells acquired, drilled, or started after  
said thirty (30) day period but shall continue in effect, notwithstanding said notice, as to property or wells theretofore acquired, drilled or  
started.

Temp Energy, Inc.  
PRINCIPAL  
4000 North Big Spring, Suite 109  
Midland, Tx 79701 Address  
By [Signature]  
Signature  
President  
Title

The Travelers Indemnity Company  
SURETY  
P. O. Box 10588, Midland, Texas 79702  
Address  
By [Signature]  
Attorney-in Fact John W. Rahlfs

(Note: Principal, if corporation, affix corporate seal here.)

(Note: Corporate surety affix corporate seal here.)

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM FOR NATURAL PERSONS

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ ) ss.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, to me known to be the person (persons) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he (they) executed the same as his (their) free act and deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first above written.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM FOR CORPORATION

STATE OF Texas )  
COUNTY OF Midland ) ss.

On this 31st day of May, 1985, before me personally appeared T. B. Barber, to me personally known who, being by me duly sworn, did say that he is President of Temp Energy, Inc and that the foregoing instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its board of directors, and acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first above written.

[Signature]  
Notary Public

8-14-85  
My Commission expires

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM FOR CORPORATE SURETY

STATE OF Texas )  
COUNTY OF Midland ) ss.

On this 31st day of May, 1985, before me appeared John W. Rahlfs, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did say that he is attorney in fact of The Travelers Indemnity Company and that the foregoing instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its board of directors, and acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and

2-16-86

My Commission expires

(Note: Corporate surety attach power of attorney.)

Ray Halberman  
Notary Public

APPROVED BY:

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO

By

Date

# The Travelers Indemnity Company

Hartford, Connecticut

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, a corporation of the State of Connecticut, does hereby make, constitute and appoint

John W. Rahlfs, Sarah Crawford, Frances H. Puckett, Kay Haberman, all of Midland, Texas, EACH

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority, for and on behalf of the Company as surety, to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the Company thereto, if a seal is required, bonds, undertakings, recognizances, consents of surety or other written obligations in the nature thereof, as follows:

Any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances, consents of surety or other written obligations in the nature thereof not exceeding in amount Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) in any single instance

and to bind THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY thereby, and all of the acts of said Attorney(s)-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This appointment is made under and by authority of the following by-laws of the Company which by-laws are now in full force and effect:

ARTICLE IV, SECTION 14. The Chairman of the Board, the President, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Corporate Secretary or any Department Secretary may appoint attorneys-in-fact or agents with power and authority, as defined or limited in their respective powers of attorney, for and on behalf of the Company to execute and deliver, and affix the seal of the Company thereto, bonds, undertakings, recognizances, consents of surety or other written obligations in the nature thereof and any of said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke the power and authority given to him.

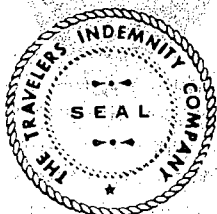
ARTICLE IV, SECTION 16. Any bond, undertaking, recognizance, consent of surety or written obligation in the nature thereof shall be valid and binding upon the Company when signed by the Chairman of the Board, the President, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President or any Second Vice President and duly attested and sealed, if a seal is required, by the Corporate Secretary or any Department Secretary or any Assistant Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Department Secretary; or shall be valid and binding upon the Company when duly executed and sealed, if a seal is required, by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact or agent, pursuant to and within the limits of the authority granted by his or her power of attorney.

This power of attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Directors of THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the 30th day of November, 1959:

VOTED: That the signature of any officer authorized by the By-Laws and the Company seal may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or special power of attorney or certification of either given for the execution of any bond, undertaking, recognizance or other written obligation in the nature thereof; such signature and seal, when so used being hereby adopted by the Company as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the Company, to be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

This power of attorney revokes that dated June 22, 1984 on behalf of John W. Rahlfs, Sarah Crawford, Frances H. Puckett

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its proper officer and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed this 25th day of October 19 84



THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY

By

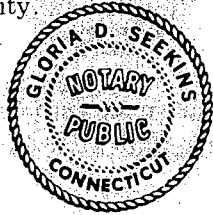
*D. L. Banta*

Secretary, Surety

(Over)

State of Connecticut, County of Hartford—ss:

On this 25th day of October in the year 1984 before me personally came D. L. Banta to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the State of Connecticut; that he is Secretary (Surety) of THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, the corporation described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by authority of his office under the by-laws of said corporation, and that he signed his name thereto by like authority



*Gloria D. Seekins*

Notary Public

My commission expires April 1, 1988

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Paul D. Tubach, Assistant Secretary (Surety) of THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, certify that the foregoing power of attorney, the above quoted Sections 14. and 16. of Article IV of the By-Laws and the Resolution of the Board of Directors of November 30, 1959 have not been abridged or revoked and are now in full force and effect.

Signed and Sealed at Hartford, Connecticut, this 31st day of May 19 85



*Paul D. Tubach*

Assistant Secretary, Surety