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August 17, 2012

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Chevron Pipeline Co. c/o Morris P. Hebert, Inc 10343 Siegen Lane, Bldg. 4-B Baton Rouge, LA 70810 Attn: Jeff Thibodaux, Project Manager

EUA 12-025; Emergency Use Authorization

Description: Excavate an existing brine line to be used to inject water into an existing gas storage cavern in order to depressurize the cavern as a proactive measure. The size of the trench will be 20' x 20' x 5' and will be within the fenceline of the existing well pad. The Napoleonville Storage Salt Cavern needs to be depressurized due to safety concerns associated with a sinkhole that has developed near the gas well. During depressurization, the gas in the well will need to be replaced with brine. At present the brine pipelines connected to the well are cut and capped. The project team will excavate the brine pipelines and connect them such that the pipelines can be used to inject brine in to the cavern.

Location: Lat. 30° 00' 35.11" N; Long. 91° 08' 09.00" W

Assumption Parish, LA

Dear Mr. Thibodaux:

We have reviewed the information presented to the Office of Coastal Management (OCM) in your Emergency Use Authorization request dated August 16, 2012. Pursuant to the provisions contained in the LAC (Title 43, Part I, Chapter 7 §723.B.3.), the Emergency Use Authorization request is hereby granted. This Emergency Use Authorization provides only for that work necessary to accomplish the above referenced purpose and is contingent upon acceptance of the following conditions.

- This Emergency Use Authorization is strictly limited to the activity as described in your request and accompanying plats.
- 2. Dredge and fill activities for site access are not authorized unless specifically described in the work statement of this letter.

- 3. The applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of authorized activities, to submit to OCM, a complete application packet (\$100 application fee, Joint Application Form, vicinity plats, plan plats, cross section plats, etc.) for the activity not more than thirty (30) days from the date of this authorization. You may obtain a free application packet by calling our office at (225) 342-7591 or (800)-267-4019; or by visiting our website at http://www.dnr.state.la.us/crm/coastmgt/cup/cup.asp.
- 4. The applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of authorized activities, to avoid to the maximum extent practicable, vegetated wetland impacts, and if necessary to mitigate for those unavoidable adverse impacts to vegetated wetlands, including submerged aquatics, should OCM determine that mitigation is necessary. Should OCM deem mitigation to be necessary, the applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of authorized activities, to submit and fulfill a mitigation plan that has been approved by OCM.
- 5. The applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of authorized activities, to adjust, alter, or remove any structure or other evidence of the authorized emergency use if, in the opinion of OCM, it proves to be beyond the scope of the authorized activity or is abandoned.
- 6. The applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of authorized activities, to hold and save the State of Louisiana, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), and their officers and employees harmless from any damage to persons or property which might result from the emergency use.
- 7. The applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of authorized activities, to certify that the emergency use has been completed in an acceptable and satisfactory manner and in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by OCM as referenced herein. OCM may, when appropriate, require such certification by given by a registered engineer.
- 8. The applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of authorized activities, to ensure that this Emergency Use Authorization, or a copy thereof, shall be available for inspection at the work site at all times during operations.

- 9. The applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of authorized activities, to notify OCM of the date on which initiation of the authorized emergency activity began. The applicant shall notify OCM by mailing the enclosed green initiation card on the date of initiation of the authorized activities.
- 10. The applicant agrees, by virtue of the commencement of repair activities, to ensure that the authorized activity does not result in the blockage of any natural or manmade streams or sloughs. A follow-up investigation of the authorized work will be conducted by employees of OCM to determine compliance with this condition.
- 11. Permittee shall comply with all applicable state laws regarding the need to contact the Louisiana One Call (LOC) system (1-800-272-3020) to locate any buried cables and pipelines.
- 12. The area where the project is located is all part of the aboriginal homelands of the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana. As such, large villages, burial sites, and sacred sites were in place in that entire area. If at any time during the course of the work, any traditional cultural properties are discovered, the applicant shall immediately contact Kimberly S. Walden (Cultural Director) or Melanie Aymond (Research Coordinator) at (337) 923-9923 or (337) 923-4395. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 A.M. 5:00 P.M. and on Friday between 7:30 A.M. 11:30 A.M. If traditional cultural properties are discovered on the weekend or after business hours, the notification shall be made the next business morning.
- 13. The following conditions have been added at the request of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF):

Nesting colonies can move from year to year and no current information is available on the status of these colonies. If work for the proposed project will commence during the nesting season, conduct a field visit to the worksite to look for evidence of nesting colonies. This field visit should take place no more than two weeks before the project begins. If no nesting colonies are found within 400 meters (700 meters for brown pelicans) of the proposed project, no further consultation with LDWF will be necessary. If active nesting colonies are found within the previously stated distances of the proposed project, further consultation with LDWF will be required.

In addition, colonies should be surveyed by a qualified biologist to document species present and the extent of colonies. Provide LDWF with a survey report which is to include the following information:

- 1. qualifications of survey personnel;
- 2. survey methodology including dates, site characteristics, and size of survey area;
- 3. species of birds present, activity, estimates of number of nests present, and general vegetation type including digital photographs representing the site; and
- 4. topographic maps and ArcView shapefiles projected in UTM NAD83 Zone 15 to illustrate the location and extent of the colony.

Please mail survey reports on CD to: Louisiana Natural Heritage Program
La. Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries
P.O. Box 98000
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

To minimize disturbance to colonial nesting birds, the following restrictions on activity should be observed:

- For colonies containing nesting wading birds (i.e., herons, egrets, night-herons, ibis, roseate spoonbills, anhingas, and/or cormorants), all project activity occurring within 300 meters of an active nesting colony should be restricted to the non-nesting period (i.e., September 1 through February 15).
- For colonies containing nesting gulls, terns, and/or black skimmers, all project activity occurring within 400 meters (700 meters for brown pelicans) of an active nesting colony should be restricted to the non-nesting period (i.e., September 16 through April 1).

No other impacts to rare, threatened or endangered species or critical habitats are anticipated from the proposed project. No state or federal parks, wildlife refuges, wildlife management areas or scenic rivers are known at the specified site or within ¼ mile of the proposed project.

The Louisiana Natural Heritage Program (LNHP) reports summarize the existing information known at the time of the request regarding the location in question. LNHP reports should not be considered final statements on the biological elements or areas being considered, nor should they be substituted for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. If at any time LNHP tracked species are encountered within the project area, please contact our biologist at 225-765-2643.

- 14. Unless otherwise specified, this Emergency Use Authorization will expire 30 days from the date of this letter, if the work has not been initiated or if the applicant has not submitted a complete Coastal Use Permit Application to OCM for the authorized activity. This expiration condition will be waived only if the applicant notifies OCM of the reason(s) for the delay and proposes an acceptable schedule for initiation of the work, or submits a complete Coastal Use Permit Application.
- 15. This authorization is not valid unless the applicant agrees to the terms and conditions provided for herein by executing in the space provided below.

Should you have any questions or need additional help, please feel free to contact Mrs. Christine Charrier, Program Manager, at (225) 342-7953.

Sincerely,

Karl Morgan, Administrator

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CC: Pete Serio	, COE w/plats		

David Butler, LDWF w/plats
Charlie Mestayer, OCM/FI w/plats
James Mergist, OC w/plats
Gary Ross, OC w/plats

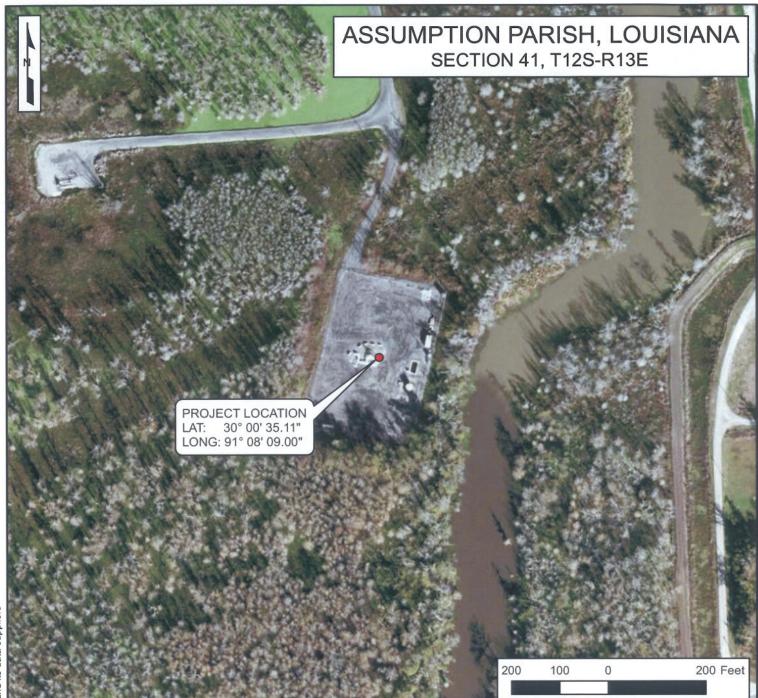
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