UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): October 11, 2012

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	000-19514	73-1521290
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	$Identification\ Number)$

14313 North May Avenue
Suite 100
Oklahoma City, OK
(Address of principal executive offices)

73134 (Zip code)

(405) 848-8807

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 12, 2012, Gulfport Energy Corporation ("Gulfport") and certain subsidiary guarantors entered into a Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") with Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, as representative of the several initial purchasers named in the Purchase Agreement, in connection with Gulfport's private placement of senior notes. The Purchase Agreement provides for, among other things, the issuance and sale by Gulfport of \$250.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 7.750% Senior Notes Due 2020 (the "Notes") to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and to certain non-U.S. persons in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act (the "Note Offering") under an indenture among Gulfport, subsidiary guarantors and the trustee. The Notes are general unsecured senior obligations of Gulfport, are guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by certain of Gulfport's subsidiaries and pay interest semi-annually. Gulfport and its subsidiary guarantors have agreed to indemnify the initial purchasers against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the initial purchasers may be required to make because of any of such liabilities. Under the Purchase Agreement, the Company also agreed to a 90-day lock-up with respect to, among other things, an offer, sale or other disposition of its U.S. dollar-denominated debt securities, subject to certain exceptions. In addition, the Purchase Agreement contemplates the execution by the Company and subsidiary guarantors of a registration rights agreement relating to the Notes.

The Note Offering closed on October 17, 2012. On the closing date, Gulfport repaid outstanding indebtedness under its senior secured revolving credit facility with a portion of the net proceeds of the Note Offering. Gulfport intends to use the remaining net proceeds for general corporate purposes, including the funding of a portion of its 2012 and 2013 capital development plans. A copy of the press release announcing the closing of the Note Offering is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The preceding summary of the Purchase Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of such agreement, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 1.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

An affiliate of Scotia Capital (USA) Inc., an initial purchaser in the Note Offering, is an administrative agent, letter of credit issuer and sole lead manager under Gulfport's senior secured credit facility, and affiliates of each of Credit Suisse (USA) LLC, Deutsche Bank Securities, Inc., IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C. and KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc., the initial purchasers in the Note Offering, are lenders under Gulfport's senior secured credit facility and received a portion of the net proceeds of the Note Offering. Amegy Bank National Association, a lender under Gulfport's senior secured credit facility, acted as a financial advisor to Gulfport in connection with the Note Offering. Certain initial purchasers or their affiliates have entered, and may in the future enter, into hedging transactions with Gulfport or its affiliates, in the ordinary course of business, for which they have received and will receive customary compensation. In addition, in the ordinary course of their business activities, the initial purchasers and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively traded debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own accounts and for the accounts of their customers. Such investments and securities activities may involve securities and/or instruments of Gulfport or its affiliates. Certain of the initial purchasers or their affiliates that have a lending relationship with Gulfport routinely hedge, and certain other of those initial purchasers or their affiliates may hedge, their credit exposure to us consistent with their customary risk management policies.

Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

Gulfport previously reported that on May 7, 2012 it entered into a Contribution Agreement (the "Contribution Agreement") with Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("Diamondback"), an affiliate of Wexford Capital LP ("Wexford"), pursuant to which Gulfport agreed to contribute to Diamondback, prior to the closing of Diamondback's initial public offering (the "Diamondback IPO"), all of Gulfport's oil and gas interests in the Permian Basin, which represented approximately 67% of Gulfport's proved reserves as of December 31, 2011 (the "Contribution"). On October 11, 2012, Gulfport completed the Contribution. At the closing of the Contribution, Diamondback issued to Gulfport (i) 7,914,036 shares of Diamondback common stock and (ii) a promissory note for \$63.6 million, which was paid to Gulfport at the closing of the Diamondback IPO on October 17, 2012. This aggregate consideration is subject to a post-closing cash adjustment based on changes in the working capital, long-term debt and other items of Windsor Permian LLC ("Windsor Permian"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Diamondback, referred to in the Contribution Agreement as of the date of the contribution. If the Contribution had

closed on September 30, 2012, based on preliminary estimates, Diamondback believes it would have owed Gulfport approximately \$16.0 million for this post-closing adjustment. However, the actual amount due, based on the October 11, 2012 closing date of the Contribution, has not been determined, and the actual amount may vary materially from the estimated amount on September 30, 2012. Windsor Permian was the operator of the acreage contributed by Gulfport to Diamondback.

The preceding summary of the Contribution Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of such agreement, a copy of which was filed as an exhibit to Gulfport's Current Report on Form 8-K on May 8, 2012 and is incorporated herein by reference.

In connection with the Contribution, Gulfport and Diamondback entered into an investor rights agreement in which Gulfport has the right, for so long as it beneficially owns more than 10% of Diamondback's outstanding common stock, to designate one individual as a nominee to serve on Diamondback's board of directors. Such nominee, if elected to Diamondback's board, will also serve on each committee of the board so long as he or she satisfies the independence and other requirements for service on the applicable committee of the board. So long as Gulfport has the right to designate a nominee to Diamondback's board and there is no Gulfport nominee actually serving as a Diamondback director, Gulfport has the right to appoint one individual as an advisor to the board who shall be entitled to attend board and committee meetings. Gulfport is also entitled to certain information rights and Diamondback granted Gulfport certain demand and "piggyback" registration rights obligating Diamondback to register with the Securities and Exchange Commission any shares of Diamondback common stock that Gulfport owns. Immediately upon completion of the Contribution, Gulfport owned a 35% equity interest in Diamondback rather than leasehold interests in its Permian Basin acreage. Upon completion of the Diamondback IPO on October 17, 2012, Gulfport owned approximately 22.5% (or 21.4%, if the underwriters in that offering exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full) of Diamondback's outstanding common stock. Mike Liddell, Gulfport's Chairman of the Board and one of its directors, served as the Operating Member and Chairman of Windsor Permian prior to the Diamondback IPO. Charles E. Davidson, the Chairman and Chief Investment Officer of Wexford, beneficially owned approximately 13.3% and less than 1% of Gulfport's outstanding common stock as of December 31, 2011 and September 28, 2012, respectively.

The preceding summary of the Investor Rights Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of such agreement, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

In connection with the completion of the Contribution, Gulfport is required under Item 2.01 of Form 8-K to provide certain pro forma financial information illustrating the effect of the Contribution of its oil and gas interests in the Permian Basin to Diamondback. Such pro forma financial information is included as Item 9.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. This pro forma financial information also illustrates the effect of the Note Offering described in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 12, 2012, Gulfport issued a press release announcing the completion of the Contribution of all of its oil and gas interests in the Permian Basin to Diamondback. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Statements of Gulfport giving effect to (a) Gulfport's contribution of its Permian Basin oil and gas interests to Diamondback in connection with the Diamondback IPO and (b) the Note Offering.

$(d) \ Exhibits.$

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GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

Introduction to the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Statements

The following unaudited pro forma financial information is presented to illustrate the effect of Gulfport Energy Corporation's (the "Company") (1) contribution of its oil and gas interests in the Permian Basin to Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("Diamondback") in connection with Diamondback's initial public offering (the "Diamondback IPO") in exchange for (i) shares of common stock representing 35% of Diamondback's outstanding common stock immediately prior to the closing of the Diamondback IPO and (ii) \$63,590,050 in the form of a non-interest bearing promissory note to be repaid in full upon the closing of the Diamondback IPO and (2) the offering of \$250 million aggregate principal amount of senior notes (the "note") on Gulfport's historical financial position and operating results. The unaudited pro forma balance sheet as of June 30, 2012 is based on the historical statements of the Company as of June 30, 2012 after giving effect to the transactions as if they had occurred on June 30, 2012. The unaudited pro forma statements of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2012 and the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 are based on the historical financial statements of the Company for such periods after giving effect to the transactions as if they had occurred on January 1, 2011. The unaudited pro forma financial information should be read in conjunction with the Company's historical consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

The preparation of the unaudited pro forma consolidated financial information is based on financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These principles require the use of estimates that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The unaudited pro forma consolidated financial information is provided for illustrative purposes only and does not represent what the actual results of operations or the financial position of the Company would have been had the transactions occurred on the respective dates assumed, nor is it indicative of the Company's future operating results or financial position. The pro forma adjustments reflected in the accompanying unaudited pro forma consolidated financial information reflect estimates and assumptions that the Company's management believes to be reasonable.

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET At June 30, 2012

		As Reported	Senior Note Offering Adjustments	Diamondback Contribution Adjustments	Pro Forma as Adjusted
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	6,613,000	\$170,835,000(1)	\$ 63,590,000(4)	\$ 241,038,000
Accounts receivable—oil and gas		23,269,000	-	-	23,269,000
Accounts receivable—related parties		27,182,000	_	_	27,182,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		3,136,000	_	_	3,136,000
Short-term derivative instruments		9,714,000			9,714,000
Total current assets		69,914,000	170,835,000	63,590,000	304,339,000
Property and equipment:					
Oil and natural gas properties, full-cost accounting, \$199,598,000 and \$184,565,000 excluded from amortization as reported and proforma as adjusted, respectively	1	,219,376,000		(194,133,000)(5),(6)	1,025,243,000
Other property and equipment	- 1	8,387,000		(174,133,000)(3),(0)	8,387,000
Accumulated depletion, depreciation, amortization and impairment		(620,182,000)	_	_	(620,182,000)
Property and equipment, net		607,581,000	_	(194,133,000)	413,448,000
Other assets		007,001,000		<u>(17.1,100,000</u>)	
Equity investments		185,934,000	_	138,252,000(7)	324,186,000
Note receivable—related party		1,595,000	_	—	1,595,000
Other assets		5,776,000	7,500,000(2)	_	13,276,000
Total other assets		193,305,000	7,500,000	138,252,000	339,057,000
Deferred tax asset		1,000,000			1,000,000
Total assets	\$	871,800,000	\$178,335,000	\$ 7,709,000	\$1,057,844,000
	φ	871,800,000	\$176,333,000	\$ 7,709,000	\$1,037,844,000
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Ф	95,689,000	\$ —	¢	\$ 95,689,000
Asset retirement obligation—current	Ф	60,000	5 —	\$ —	60,000
Current maturities of long-term debt		145,000	_		145,000
Total current liabilities		95,894,000			95,894,000
				(1.144.000)(6)	11,976,000
Asset retirement obligation—long-term Long-term debt, net of current maturities		13,120,000 70,072,000		(1,144,000)(6)	248,407,000
Total liabilities		179,086,000	178,335,000	(1,144,000)	356,277,000
Commitments and contingencies					
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 5,000,000 authorized, 30,000 authorized as redeemable 12% cumulative preferred stock, Series A; 0 issued and outstanding		_	_	_	_
Stockholders' equity:					
Common stock—\$.01 par value, 100,000,000 authorized, 55,687,845 issued and outstanding in 2012		557,000			557,000
Paid-in capital		606,853,000		_	606,853,000
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		8,771,000			8,771,000
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)		76,533,000	_	8,853,000(8)	85,386,000
Total stockholders' equity		692,714,000		8,853,000	701,567,000
Total liabilities and stockholders'		2,72,71,000	-	0,000,000	, 01,007,000
equity	\$	871,800,000	\$178,335,000	\$ 7,709,000	\$1,057,844,000

Notes:

- (1) To adjust cash for the estimated receipt of proceeds from the issuance of notes, net of assumed repayment of outstanding indebtedness under the Company's revolving credit facility and estimated issuance costs.
- (2) To adjust for estimated deferred issuance costs.
- (3) To adjust long-term debt, net of current maturities, for the issuance of notes, net of discount, and the assumed repayment of outstanding indebtedness under the Company's revolving credit facility.
- (4) To adjust cash for the repayment of the non-interest bearing promissory note by Diamondback upon the closing of the Diamondback IPO.
- (5) To adjust for the oil and gas properties contributed to Diamondback.
- (6) To eliminate the non-current portion of asset retirement obligation related to assets contributed to Diamondback.
- (7) To adjust for the equity investment in Diamondback the Company will receive upon closing of the Diamondback IPO.
- (8) Gain on contribution of assets to Diamondback.

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	G 10	Senior Note	Diamondback	
	Gulfport Historical	Offering Adjustments	Contribution Adjustments	Pro Forma
Revenues:	IIIStorical	ragustinents	rajustnents	1101011111
Oil and condensate sales	\$129,024,000	\$ —	\$(12,280,000)(2)	\$116,744,000
Gas sales	1,154,000	_	(437,000)(2)	717,000
Natural gas liquids sales	1,500,000	_	(1,475,000)(2)	25,000
Other income	108,000		_ <u></u>	108,000
	131,786,000		(14,192,000)	117,594,000
Costs and expenses:				
Lease operating expenses	11,563,000	_	(3,914,000)(2)	7,649,000
Production taxes	15,341,000	_	(735,000)(2)	14,606,000
Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	45,047,000	_	8,386,000(3)	53,433,000
General and administrative	6,272,000	_	_	6,272,000
Accretion expense	353,000		(20,000)(4)	333,000
	78,576,000	<u> </u>	3,717,000	82,293,000
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS:	53,210,000		(17,909,000)	35,301,000
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:				
Interest expense	627,000	9,877,000(1)	_	10,504,000
Interest income	(31,000)	_	_	(31,000)
Loss from equity method investments	628,000		(2,869,000)(5)	(2,241,000)
	1,224,000	9,877,000	(2,869,000)	8,232,000
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	51,986,000	(9,877,000)	(15,040,000)	27,069,000
INCOME TAX EXPENSE		_ <u></u> _	_ <u></u>	
NET INCOME	\$ 51,986,000	\$(9,877,000)	\$(15,040,000)	\$ 27,069,000
NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE:				
Basic	\$ 0.93			\$ 0.49
Diluted	\$ 0.93			\$ 0.48
Weighted average common shares outstanding—Basic	55,641,241			55,641,241
Weighted average common shares outstanding—Diluted	56,175,248			56,175,248

Notes:

- (1) To adjust interest expense for issuance of notes and amortization of estimated deferred issuance costs and to eliminate historical interest on the Company's revolving credit facility.
- (2) To eliminate the revenues and direct operating expense for the assets contributed.
- (3) To adjust historical depletion expense associated with oil and gas properties contributed.
- (4) To eliminate historical accretion expense associated with the oil and gas properties contributed.
- (5) To adjust for the gain on equity investment for the Company's estimated share of Diamondback's net income based on Diamondback's pro forma condensed consolidated statement of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2012.

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	Gulfport	Senior Note Offering	Diamondback Contribution	
	Historical	Adjustments	Adjustments	Pro Forma
Revenues:				
Oil and condensate sales	\$222,025,000	\$ —	\$(18,932,000)(2)	\$203,093,000
Gas sales	3,838,000	_	(1,070,000)(2)	2,768,000
Natural gas liquids sales	3,090,000	_	(3,050,000)(2)	40,000
Other income	301,000			301,000
	229,254,000		(23,052,000)	206,202,000
Costs and expenses:				
Lease operating expenses	20,897,000	_	(5,484,000)(2)	15,413,000
Production taxes	26,333,000	_	(1,276,000)(2)	25,057,000
Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	62,320,000	_	8,673,000(3)	70,993,000
General and administrative	8,074,000	_	_	8,074,000
Accretion expense	666,000		(32,000)(4)	634,000
	118,290,000		1,881,000	120,171,000
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS:	110,964,000		(24,933,000)	86,031,000
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:				
Interest expense	1,400,000	19,613,000(1)	_	21,013,000
Interest income	(186,000)	_	_	(186,000)
Loss from equity method investments	1,418,000		(1,186,000)(5)	232,000
	2,632,000	19,613,000	(1,186,000)	21,059,000
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	108,332,000	(19,613,000)	(23,747,000)	64,972,000
INCOME TAX EXPENSE (BENEFIT)	(90,000)	_ <u></u>		(90,000)
NET INCOME	\$108,422,000	<u>\$(19,613,000)</u>	<u>\$(23,747,000)</u>	\$ 65,062,000
NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE:				
Basic	\$ 2.22			\$ 1.33
Diluted	\$ 2.20			\$ 1.32
Weighted average common shares outstanding—Basic	48,754,840			48,754,840
Weighted average common shares outstanding—Diluted	49,206,963			49,206,963

Notes:

- (1) To adjust interest expense for issuance of notes and amortization of estimated deferred issuance costs and to eliminate historical interest on the Company's revolving credit facility.
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- (4) To eliminate historical accretion expense associated with the oil and gas properties contributed.
- (5) To adjust for the gain on equity investment for the Company's estimated share of Diamondback's net income based on Diamondback's pro forma condensed consolidated statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2011.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 17, 2012

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

By: /s/ MICHAEL G. MOORE

Michael G. Moore Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

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\$250,000,000

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

7.750% Senior Notes due 2020

PURCHASE AGREEMENT

October 12, 2012

CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC
as Representative of the several Purchasers
c/o Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC ("Credit Suisse"),
Eleven Madison Avenue,
New York, N.Y. 10010-3629

Dear Sirs:

1. Introductory. Gulfport Energy Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), agrees with the several initial purchasers named in Schedule A hereto (the "Purchasers"), subject to the terms and conditions stated herein, to issue and sell to the several Purchasers U.S.\$250,000,000 principal amount of its 7.750% Senior Notes due 2020 ("Notes") to be issued under an indenture, dated as of October 17, 2012 (the "Indenture"), between the Company, the Guarantors (as defined herein) and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee. The Notes will be unconditionally guaranteed as to the payment of principal and interest by each subsidiary listed on Schedule D hereto (the "Guarantors" and such Guarantees, the "Guarantees"). Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC ("Credit Suisse") has agreed to act as the representative of the Purchasers in connection with the offering and sale of the Notes.

The holders of the Notes will be entitled to the benefits of a Registration Rights Agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Company, the Guarantors and the Purchasers (the "Registration Rights Agreement"), pursuant to which the Company and the Guarantors agree to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") (a) a registration statement (the "Exchange Offer Registration Statement") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), relating to another series of the Company's notes with terms substantially identical to the Notes, except for the restrictions on transfer and certain administrative terms (the "Exchange Notes"), to be offered in exchange for the Notes (the "Exchange Offer") and (b) under certain circumstances, a shelf registration statement (the "Shelf Registration Statement") pursuant to Rule 415 of the Securities Act relating to the resale of the Notes and the related Guarantees. The Notes and the Guarantees are herein collectively referred to as the "Offered Securities" and the Exchange Notes and related Guarantees are herein collectively referred to as the "Exchange Securities."

Each of the Company and the Guarantors hereby agrees with the several Purchasers as follows:

- 2. Representations and Warranties of the Company and the Guarantors. Each of the Company and the Guarantors represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the several Purchasers that:
 - (a) Offering Circulars; Certain Defined Terms. The Company has prepared or will prepare a Preliminary Offering Circular and a Final Offering Circular.

For purposes of this Agreement:

- "Applicable Time" means 1:30 P.M., New York time, on the date of this Agreement.
- "Closing Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 3 hereof.

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Exchange Act" means the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Final Offering Circular" means the final offering circular relating to the Offered Securities to be offered by the Purchasers that discloses the offering price and other final terms of the Notes and is dated as of the date of this Agreement (even if finalized and issued subsequent to the date of this Agreement).

"Free Writing Communication" means a written communication (as such term is defined in Rule 405) that constitutes an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy the Offered Securities and is made by means other than the Preliminary Offering Circular or the Final Offering Circular.

"General Disclosure Package" means the Preliminary Offering Circular together with any Issuer Free Writing Communication existing at the Applicable Time which is intended for general distribution to prospective investors, as evidenced by its being specified in Schedule B hereto

"Issuer Free Writing Communication" means a Free Writing Communication prepared by or on behalf of the Company, used or referred to by the Company or containing a description of the final terms of the Offered Securities or of their offering, in the form retained in the Company's records.

"Preliminary Offering Circular" means the preliminary offering circular, dated October 9, 2012, relating to the Offered Securities to be offered by the Purchasers.

"Rules and Regulations" means the rules and regulations of the Commission.

"Securities Laws" means, collectively, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("Sarbanes-Oxley"), the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, the Rules and Regulations, the auditing principles, rules, standards and practices applicable to auditors of "issuers" (as defined in Sarbanes-Oxley) promulgated or approved by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board and, as applicable, the rules of the NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Exchange Rules").

"Supplemental Marketing Material" means any Issuer Free Writing Communication other than any Issuer Free Writing Communication specified on Schedule B hereto. Supplemental Marketing Materials include, but are not limited to, the electronic Bloomberg roadshow slides and the accompanying audio recording.

Unless otherwise specified, a reference to a "rule" is to the indicated rule under the Securities Act.

(b) *Disclosure*. As of the date of this Agreement, the Final Offering Circular does not, and as of the Closing Date, the Final Offering Circular will not, include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. At the Applicable Time, and as of the Closing Date, neither (i) the General Disclosure Package, nor (ii) any individual Supplemental Marketing Material, when considered together with the General Disclosure Package, included, or will include, any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted, or will omit, to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The preceding two sentences do not apply to statements in or omissions from the Preliminary Offering Circular, the Final Offering Circular, the General Disclosure Package or any Supplemental Marketing Material based upon written information furnished to the Company by any Purchaser through Credit Suisse specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information is that described as such in Section 8(b) hereof.

- (c) Good Standing of the Company. The Company has been duly incorporated and is existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with power and authority (corporate and other) to own and/or lease its properties and conduct its business as described in the General Disclosure Package; and the Company is duly qualified to do business as a foreign corporation in good standing in all other jurisdictions in which its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires such qualification, except where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), business, properties, prospects or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole (a "Material Adverse Effect").
- (d) *Corporate Structure*. Except for Grizzly Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Grizzly**"), the Guarantors listed on Schedule D hereto are the only subsidiaries, direct or indirect, of the Company.
- (e) Subsidiaries. Each Guarantor and Grizzly has been duly formed and is existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, with power and authority (corporate and other) to own and/or lease its properties and conduct its business as described in the General Disclosure Package; and each Guarantor and Grizzly is duly qualified to do business as a foreign corporation or limited liability company, as the case may be, in good standing in all other jurisdictions in which its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires such qualification, except where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing would not result in a Material Adverse Effect; all of the issued and outstanding equity interests in each subsidiary of the Company that is a corporation has been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable and all of the limited liability company interests in each subsidiary of the Company that is a limited liability company have been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the limited liability company agreement of such subsidiary and are fully paid (to the extent required under such subsidiary's limited liability company agreement) and non-assessable (except as such non-assessability may be affected by Sections 18-607 and 18-804 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act; and, in each case except as otherwise disclosed in the General Disclosure Package with respect to the pledge thereof in connection with the Company's revolving credit facility, equity interests in each subsidiary of the Company are owned by the Company, directly or through subsidiaries, free from liens, encumbrances and defects.
- (f) *Indenture*. The Indenture, at the Closing Date, will have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by each of the Company and the Guarantors, and assuming due authorization, execution and delivery thereof by the Trustee will constitute a valid and binding agreement of the Company and the Guarantors, enforceable against the Company and the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer or conveyance or other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equity principles, and except as rights to indemnification and contribution may be limited by applicable law.
- (g) *The Notes and the Guarantees*. On the Closing Date, the Notes to be purchased by the Purchasers from the Company (i) will be in the form contemplated by the Indenture, (ii) will have been duly authorized by the Company for issuance and sale pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture, (iii) will have been duly executed by the Company, (iv) when authenticated by the Trustee in the manner provided for in the Indenture on the Closing Date and delivered against payment of the purchase price therefor, will have been duly authenticated, issued, executed and delivered and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer or conveyance or other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles and except as rights to indemnification and contribution may be limited by applicable law, and (vi) will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture. On the Closing Date, the Guarantees of the Notes will be in the respective forms contemplated by the Indenture and will have been duly authorized by the Guarantors for issuance pursuant to this Agreement and the

Indenture. When issued by each of the Guarantors, the Guarantees of the Notes will have been duly executed and delivered by each of the Guarantors at the Closing Date and, when the Notes have been authenticated in the manner provided for in the Indenture and issued and delivered against payment of the purchase price therefor, the Guarantees will constitute valid and legally binding agreements of the Guarantors and will be entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture.

- (h) *Trust Indenture Act*. On the Closing Date, the Indenture will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "**Trust Indenture Act**"), and the rules and regulations of the Commission applicable to an indenture which is qualified thereunder.
- (i) *No Finder's Fee.* Except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package, there are no contracts, agreements or understandings between the Company and any person that would give rise to a valid claim against the Company or any Purchaser for a brokerage commission, finder's fee or other like payment in connection with the issuance, purchase and sale of the Notes.
- (j) Registration Rights Agreement. The Registration Rights Agreement will have been duly authorized by the Company and the Guarantors on the Closing Date; and, when the Notes are delivered and paid for pursuant to this Agreement on the Closing Date, the Registration Rights Agreement will have been duly executed and delivered and will be the valid and legally binding obligation of each of the Company and the Guarantors, enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer or conveyance or other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles and except as rights to indemnification and contribution may be limited by applicable law.
- (k) Exchange Securities. On the Closing Date, the Exchange Notes will have been duly and validly authorized for issuance by the Company, and when issued and authenticated in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the Registration Rights Agreement and the Exchange Offer, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer or conveyance or other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles and except as rights to indemnification and contribution may be limited by applicable law, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture. When issued by each Guarantor, the Guarantees of the Exchange Notes will be in the respective forms contemplated by the Indenture and, on the Closing Date, will have been duly authorized by such Guarantors for issuance pursuant to the Indenture. When the Exchange Notes have been authenticated in the manner provided for in the Indenture and issued and delivered in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the Registration Rights Agreement and the Exchange Offer, the Guarantees of the Exchange Notes will constitute valid and legally binding agreements of the Guarantors.
- (1) Accurate Descriptions. This Agreement, the Offered Securities, the Exchange Securities, the Indenture and the Registration Rights Agreement will conform in all material respects to the respective statements relating thereto contained in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular.
- (m) No Registration Rights. Except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package, there are no contracts, agreements or understandings between the Company or the Guarantors, on the one hand, and any person, on the other hand, granting such person the right to require the Company or the Guarantors to file a registration statement under the Securities Act with respect to any debt securities of the Company or the Guarantors or to require the Company or the Guarantors to include such securities with the Notes to be registered pursuant to the Exchange Offer Registration Statement or the Shelf Registration Statement.

- (n) Absence of Further Requirements. Subject to compliance by the Purchasers with the representations and warranties set forth in Section 4 hereof and with the offer and sale procedures set forth in this Agreement, no consent, approval, authorization, or order of, or filing or registration with, any person (including any governmental agency or body or any court) is required for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, the Indenture and the Registration Rights Agreement in connection with the offering, issuance and sale of the Notes by the Company and the issuance of the Guarantees by the Guarantors, except for the order of the Commission declaring effective the Exchange Offer Registration Statement or, if required, the Shelf Registration Statement.
- (i) defensible title to all their interests in the oil and gas properties described in the General Disclosure Package as being owned or leased by them, title investigations having been carried out by the Company in accordance with customary practice in the oil and gas industry and (ii) good and marketable title to all other real property, all other properties and assets described in the General Disclosure Package as owned by them, in each case free and clear of any security interests, mortgages, liens, encumbrances, equities, claims and other title defects, except for those arising under the Company's revolving credit facility as described in the General Disclosure Package and such as do not adversely affect the value of such property and do not interfere with the use made or proposed to be made of such property by the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly and that, in each case, would not result in a Material Adverse Effect. Except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package under the heading "Business," the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly hold any leased real or personal property that is material to them under valid and enforceable leases; the terms and provisions of such leases do not materially interfere with the use made or to be made of such real or personal property by the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly.
- (p) Absence of Defaults and Conflicts Resulting from Transaction. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture and the Registration Rights Agreement, and the issuance and sale of the Notes and Guarantees and compliance with the terms and provisions hereof and thereof will not result in a breach or violation of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default or a Debt Repayment Triggering Event (as defined below) under, or result in the imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly pursuant to (i) the charter or bylaws or similar organizational documents of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly, (ii) any statute, rule, regulation or order of any governmental agency or body or any court, domestic or foreign, having jurisdiction over the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly or any of their properties, or (iii) any agreement or instrument to which the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly is a party or by which the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly is bound or to which any of the properties of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly is subject, except in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii), for any breaches, violations, defaults, liens, charges or encumbrances, which, individually or in the aggregate, would not result in a Material Adverse Effect; a "Debt Repayment Triggering Event" means any event or condition that gives, or with the giving of notice or lapse of time would give, the holder of any note, debenture, or other evidence of indebtedness (or any person acting on such holder's behalf) the right to require the repurchase, redemption or repayment of all or a portion of such indebtedness by the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly.
- (q) Absence of Existing Defaults and Conflicts. None of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly is in violation of its respective charter or bylaws or in default (or with the giving of notice or lapse of time would be in default) under any existing obligation agreement, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, loan agreement, mortgage, lease or other agreement or instrument to which any of them is a party or by which any of them is bound or to which any of the properties of any of them is subject, except where such violations and defaults of one or more Guarantors or Grizzly have been waived or would not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect.

- (r) Authorization of Agreement. This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by each of the Company and the Guarantors.
- (s) Possession of Licenses and Permits. The Guarantors and Grizzly possess, and are in compliance with the terms and conditions of, all adequate certificates, authorizations, franchises, licenses and permits issued by appropriate federal, state, local or foreign regulatory bodies (collectively, "Licenses") necessary to the ownership of their assets or to the conduct of the business now conducted or proposed in the General Disclosure Package to be conducted by them, except where the failure to have obtained the same would not cause a Material Adverse Effect and have not received any notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of any Licenses that, if determined adversely to the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly would individually or in the aggregate result in a Material Adverse Effect
- (t) Absence of Labor Dispute. No labor dispute with the employees of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly exists or, to the knowledge of the Company or the Guarantors, is imminent that would result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (u) Possession of Intellectual Property. The Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly own, possess or can acquire on reasonable terms, adequate trademarks, trade names and other rights to inventions, know how, patents, copyrights, confidential information and other intellectual property (collectively, "intellectual property rights") necessary to conduct the business now operated by them, or presently employed by them, and have not received any notice of infringement of or conflict with asserted rights of others with respect to any intellectual property rights that, if determined adversely to the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly, would individually or in the aggregate result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (v) Environmental Laws. Except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package, (i)(A) the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly (i) are and have been in compliance with any and all applicable federal, regional, state and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, orders, judgments, settlements, codes and decrees relating to pollution or the protection of human health and safety, natural resources and the environment or imposing legally enforceable standards of conduct concerning any Hazardous Materials (as hereinafter defined) ("Environmental Laws"); (ii) have obtained and are in compliance with all permits, licenses, registrations, authorizations, exemptions, waivers and other approvals ("Permits") required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective operations as they are currently being conducted; (iii) have neither received notice nor knowledge of any actual or potential liability under any Environmental Law ("Notice") including, without limitation, any liability arising out of or in connection with the generation, use, manufacture, refinement, storage, treatment, handling, transportation, disposal, release, or remediation of any Hazardous Materials by the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly or, to the knowledge of the Company, any of its predecessors in interest; and (iv) is not a party to or affected by any pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened action, suit or proceeding alleging that the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly is in violation of or otherwise liable under any Environmental Law, except where such non compliance with Environmental Laws, such failure to obtain and comply with Permits, such Notice, or such involvement in or affect by such action, suit or proceeding would not individually or in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect. The term "Hazardous Materials" means (A) any "hazardous substance" as defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, (B) any "solid waste" or "hazardous waste" as defined in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, (C) any petroleum hydrocarbons, petroleum products, natural gas or oil, (D) any polychlorinated biphenyl and (E) any pollutant or contaminant or hazardous or toxic chemical, material, waste or substance regulated under any applicable Environmental Law. None of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly has been notified that any of them is currently named as "potentially responsible party" under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended.

- (w) Accurate Disclosure. The statements in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular under the headings "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" and, insofar as such statements summarize legal matters, agreements, documents or proceedings discussed therein, are accurate and fair summaries, in all material respects, of such legal matters, agreements, documents or proceedings and present the information required to be shown.
- (x) Absence of Manipulation. None of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly has either alone or with one or more other persons taken, directly or indirectly, any action that is designed to or that has constituted or that would reasonably be expected to cause or result in the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Offered Securities.
- (y) Statistical and Market-Related Data. Any third-party statistical and market-related data included in the Preliminary Offering Circular, the Final Offering Circular, or any Issuer Free Writing Communication are based on or derived from sources that the Company believes to be reliable and accurate.
- (z) Internal Controls and Compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Except as set forth in the General Disclosure Package, the Company, it subsidiaries and the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") are in compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley and the Exchange Rules, in each case to the extent applicable. The Company maintains a system of internal controls, including, but not limited to, disclosure controls and procedures, internal controls over accounting matters and financial reporting and legal and regulatory compliance controls (collectively, "Internal Controls"), that comply with the Securities Laws and are sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorizations, (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") and to maintain accountability for assets, (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences. The Internal Controls are, and upon consummation of the Offering of the Offered Securities will be, overseen by the Audit Committee (the "Audit Committee") of the Board in accordance with Exchange Rules. The Company has not publicly disclosed or reported to the Audit Committee or the Board, and within the next 90 days the Company does not reasonably expect to publicly disclose or report to the Audit Committee or the Board, a significant deficiency, material weakness, change in Internal Controls or fraud involving management or other employees who have a significant role in Internal Controls (each, an "Internal Control Event"), any violation of, or failure to comply with, the Securities Laws, or any matter which, if determined adversely, would result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (aa) Absence of Accounting Issues. A member of the Audit Committee has confirmed to the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer that, except as set forth in the General Disclosure Package, the Audit Committee is not reviewing or investigating, and the Company's independent auditors have not recommended that the Audit Committee review or investigate, (i) adding to, deleting, changing the application of, or changing the Company's disclosure with respect to, any of the Company's material accounting policies; (ii) any matter which could result in a restatement of the Company's consolidated financial statements for any annual or interim period during the current or prior three fiscal years; or (iii) any Internal Control Event.

- (bb) Litigation. Except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package, there are no pending actions, suits or proceedings (including to the Company's knowledge any inquiries or investigations by any court or governmental agency or body, domestic or foreign) against or affecting the Company, the Guarantors, Grizzly or any of their respective properties that, if determined adversely to the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly, would individually or in the aggregate result in a Material Adverse Effect, or would materially and adversely affect the ability of the Company or the Guarantors to perform their obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture or the Registration Rights Agreement or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, or which are otherwise material in the context of the sale of the Offered Securities; and no such actions, suits or proceedings (including any inquiries or investigations by any court or governmental agency or body, domestic or foreign) are, to the Company or the Guarantors' knowledge, threatened or contemplated.
- (cc) Financial Statements; Auditor Independence. (i) The consolidated financial statements included in the General Disclosure Package present fairly in all material respects the financial position of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as of and at the dates shown, and the consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and comprehensive income and cash flows of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries for the periods shown, and such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GAAP applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved. The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries do not have any material liabilities or obligations, direct or contingent (including any off balance sheet obligations or any "variable interest entities" within the meaning of Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 46), not disclosed in the General Disclosure Package.

Grant Thornton LLP, who has certified the consolidated financial statements of the Company included in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular, is an independent registered public accounting firm with respect to the Company within the applicable rules and regulations adopted by the Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and as required by the Securities Act and the Exchange Act.

- (dd) Absence of Relationships. No relationship, direct or indirect, exists between or among the Company or its subsidiaries on the one hand, and the directors, officers, stockholders, customers or suppliers of the Company or its subsidiaries on the other hand, which would be required by the Securities Act to be described in the Final Offering Circular if the Final Offering Circular were a prospectus included in a registration statement on Form S-1 filed with the Commission and which is not so described. The Final Offering Circular contains in all material respects the same description of the matters set forth in the preceding sentence contained in the General Disclosure Package.
- (ee) No Material Adverse Change in Business. Except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package, since the end of the period covered by the latest audited financial statements included in the General Disclosure Package (i) there has been no change, nor any development or event involving a prospective change, in the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business, properties or prospects of the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly, taken as a whole, that is material and adverse, (ii) there has been no dividend or distribution of any kind declared, paid or made by the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly on any class of their capital stock (iii) there has been no material adverse change in the capital stock, short-term indebtedness, long-term indebtedness, net current assets or net assets of the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly, (iv) there has not been any material transaction entered into or any material transaction that is probable of being entered into by the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly, other than transactions in the ordinary course of business and changes and transactions described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular, and (v) there has not been any obligation, direct or contingent, which is material to the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly taken as a whole, incurred by the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly, except obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business.

- (ff) Investment Company Act. Neither the Company nor any Guarantor is or is required to be registered under Section 8 of the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Investment Company Act") and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Offered Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in the General Disclosure Package, will be an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act.
- (gg) *Regulations T, U, X*. None of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly nor any agent thereof acting on their behalf has taken, and none of them will take, any action that might cause this Agreement or the issuance or sale of the Notes to violate Regulation T, Regulation U or Regulation X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.
- (hh) *Ratings*. No "nationally recognized statistical rating organization," as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act, (i) has imposed (or has informed the Company or any Guarantor that it is considering imposing) any condition (financial or otherwise) on the Company's or any Guarantor's retaining any rating assigned to the Company or any Guarantor or any securities of the Company or any Guarantor or (ii) has indicated to the Company or any Guarantor in writing that it is considering any of the actions described in Section 7(d)(ii) hereof.
- (ii) Class of Securities Not Listed. No securities of the same class (within the meaning of Rule 144A(d)(3) of the Securities Act) as the Notes are listed on any national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Exchange Act or quoted in a U.S. automated inter-dealer quotation system.
- (jj) No Registration. Assuming that the representations and warranties in Section 4 of this Agreement are true and correct and the Purchasers comply with the offer and sale procedures set forth in this Agreement, the offer and sale of the Offered Securities by the Company to the several Purchasers in the manner contemplated by this Agreement will be exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act by reason of Section 4(2) thereof; and it is not necessary to qualify the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act
- (kk) No General Solicitation; No Directed Selling Efforts. Neither the Company, nor the Guarantors, nor any of their respective affiliates, nor any person acting on its or their behalf (other than any Purchaser or any Purchaser's affiliates or any of their representatives, as to whom the Company and the Guarantors make no representation or warranty) (i) has, within the six-month period prior to the date hereof, offered or sold in the United States or to any U.S. person (as such terms are defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) the Notes or any security of the same class or series as the Notes or (ii) has offered or will offer or sell the Notes (A) in the United States by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) or (B) with respect to any such securities sold in reliance on Rule 903 of Regulation S ("Regulation S") under the Securities Act, by means of any directed selling efforts within the meaning of Rule 902(c) of Regulation S. Each of the Company, the Guarantors, their respective affiliates and any person acting on its or their behalf (other than any Purchaser or any Purchaser's affiliate or any of their representatives, as to whom the Company and the Guarantors make no representation or warranty) have complied and will comply with the offering restrictions requirement of Regulation S. Neither the Company nor the Guarantors has entered and neither the Company nor the Guarantors will enter into any contractual arrangement with respect to the distribution of the Notes except for this Agreement.
 - (II) Reporting Status. The Company is subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.
- (mm) *Insurance*. The Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly are insured by insurers of recognized financial responsibility against such losses and risks and in such amounts as the Company believes are adequate for the conduct of their business. All such policies of insurance insuring the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly are in full force and effect and none of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly has any reason to believe that any of them will not be able to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such coverage expires or to obtain similar coverage from similar insurers as may be necessary to continue its business.

- (nn) *Taxes.* The Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly have filed on a timely basis all foreign, federal, state and local tax returns that are required to be filed or have requested extensions thereof (except in any case in which the failure so to file would not cause a Material Adverse Effect) and have paid all taxes required to be paid by them and any other assessment, fine or penalty levied against it to the extent due and payable, except for any such assessment, fine or penalty that is currently being contested in good faith or would not cause a Material Adverse Effect.
- (oo) No Unlawful Payments. To the best of knowledge of the Company, the Guarantors or any director or executive officer of the Company or the Guarantors, none of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly nor any director, officer, agent, employee or other person associated with or acting on behalf of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly has (i) used any corporate funds for any unlawful contribution, gift, entertainment or other unlawful expense relating to political activity; (ii) made any direct or indirect unlawful payment to any foreign or domestic government official or employee from corporate funds; (iii) violated or is in violation of any provision of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977; or (iv) made any bribe, rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful payment.
- (pp) Anti-Money Laundering. The operations of the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the "Money Laundering Laws") and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened.
- (qq) Compliance with OFAC. None of the Company, the Guarantors, Grizzly or any director, officer, agent, employee or affiliate of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly is currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("OFAC"); and the Company will not, directly or indirectly, use the proceeds of the offering of the Notes hereunder, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other person or entity, for the purpose of financing the activities of any person currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by OFAC.
- (rr) *ERISA*. The minimum funding standard under Section 302 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and the regulations and published interpretations thereunder ("**ERISA**"), has been satisfied by each "pension plan" (as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA) which has been established or maintained by the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly, and the trust forming part of each such plan which is intended to be qualified under Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, is so qualified; each of the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly has fulfilled its obligations, if any, under Section 515 of ERISA; none of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly maintains or is required to contribute to a "welfare plan" (as defined in Section 3(1) of ERISA) which provides retiree or other post-employment welfare benefits or insurance coverage (other than "continuation coverage" (as defined in Section 602 of ERISA)); each pension plan and welfare plan established or maintained by the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly are in compliance with the currently applicable provisions of ERISA, except where the failure to comply would not cause a Material Adverse Effect; and none of the Company, the Guarantors or Grizzly has incurred or would reasonably be expected to incur any withdrawal liability under Section 4201 of ERISA, any liability under Section 4062, 4063 or 4064 of ERISA, or any other liability under Title IV of ERISA.
- (ss) Reserve Report Data. The oil and gas reserve estimates of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries contained in the General Disclosure Package have been prepared by independent reserve engineers or by the Company, as applicable, in accordance with Commission

guidelines applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved, and the Company has no reason to believe that such estimates do not fairly reflect the oil and gas reserves of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as of the dates indicated. Except as described in the General Disclosure Package, the Company is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would cause a Material Adverse Effect in the reserves or the present value of future net cash flows therefrom as described in the General Disclosure Package.

- (tt) *Independent Reserve Engineers*. Netherland, Sewell and Associates, Inc. and Ryder Scott Company, L.P., who have certified the reserve information of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries, have represented to the Company that they are, and the Company believes them to be, independent reserve engineers in accordance with guidelines established by the Commission.
- 3. Purchase, Sale and Delivery of the Notes. On the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Company agrees to sell to the several Purchasers, and each of the Purchasers agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company, at a purchase price of 96.109% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest from October 17, 2012 to the Closing Date (as hereinafter defined) payable on the Closing Date, the respective principal amounts of the Notes set forth opposite the names of the several Purchasers in Schedule A hereto.

The Company will deliver the Notes to the Trustee under the Indenture for the account of Credit Suisse or the several Purchasers, as instructed by Credit Suisse, in the form of one or more global notes in such denominations and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of the Depositary Trust Company, as representatives may designate against payment of the purchase price by the Purchasers in Federal (same day) funds by wire transfer to an account at a bank specified by the Company and reasonably acceptable to Credit Suisse drawn to the order of Gulfport Energy Corporation at the office of Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP, at 10:00 A.M., New York time, on October 17, 2012 or at such other time not later than seven full business days thereafter as Credit Suisse and the Company determine, such time being herein referred to as the "Closing Date". The Notes so to be delivered or evidence of their issuance will be made available for checking at the above office of Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP at least 24 hours prior to the Closing Date.

4. Representations by Purchasers; Resale by Purchasers. (a) Each Purchaser severally represents and warrants to the Company and the Guarantors that it is an institutional "accredited investor" within the meaning of Rule 501(a)(1),(2),(3) or (7) under the Securities Act.

Each Purchaser severally acknowledges that the Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the Company and the Guarantors that it will not offer or sell the Offered Securities within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons, except (i) pursuant to Rule 144A or any other exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, if available, or (ii) to non-U.S. persons outside the United Stated, in accordance with Regulation S. Each Purchaser severally represents and agrees that it has offered and sold the Notes, and will offer and sell the Notes (i) as part of its distribution at any time and (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering and the Closing Date, only in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 144A. Accordingly, neither such Purchaser nor its affiliates, nor any persons acting on its or their behalf, have engaged or will engage in any directed selling efforts with respect to the Notes, and such Purchaser, its affiliates and all persons acting on its or their behalf have complied and will comply with the offering restrictions requirement of Rule 144A and Regulation S. Each Purchaser severally agrees that, at or prior to confirmation of sale of the Notes, other than a sale pursuant to Rule 144A, such Purchaser will have sent to each distributor, dealer or person receiving a selling concession, fee or other remuneration that purchases the Notes from it during the restricted period a confirmation or notice to substantially the following effect:

"The Securities covered hereby have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (i) as part of their distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the later of the date of the commencement of the offering and the closing date, except in either case in accordance with Regulation S (or Rule 144A if available) under the Securities Act. Terms used above have the meanings given to them by Regulation S."

Terms used in this subsection (b) have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

- (a) Each Purchaser severally agrees that it and each of its affiliates has not entered and will not enter into any contractual arrangement with respect to the distribution of the Notes except for any such arrangements with the other Purchasers or affiliates of the other Purchasers or with the prior written consent of the Company.
- (b) Each Purchaser severally agrees that it and each of its affiliates will not offer or sell the Notes in the United States by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c), including, but not limited to (i) any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar media or broadcast over television or radio, or (ii) any seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by any general solicitation or general advertising. Each Purchaser severally agrees, with respect to resales made in reliance on Rule 144A of any of the Notes, to deliver either with the confirmation of such resale or otherwise prior to settlement of such resale a notice to the effect that the resale of such Notes has been made in reliance upon the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A.
- 5. Certain Agreements of the Company and the Guarantors. The Company and Guarantors agree with the several Purchasers that:
- (a) Amendments and Supplements to Offering Circulars. The Company and the Guarantors will promptly advise Credit Suisse of any proposal to amend or supplement the Preliminary Offering Circular or the Final Offering Circular at any time and will offer Credit Suisse a reasonable opportunity to comment on any such amendment or supplement; and the Company will also advise Credit Suisse promptly of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Securities in any jurisdiction or the institution or threatening of any proceedings for such purpose. If, at any time prior to the completion of the resale of the Notes by the Purchasers, any event occurs as a result of which the Final Offering Circular as then amended or supplemented would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, or if it is necessary at any time to amend or supplement the Preliminary Offering Circular or the Final Offering Circular, the General Disclosure Package or any Supplemental Marketing Material to comply with applicable law, the Company and the Guarantors promptly will notify Credit Suisse of such event and promptly will prepare and furnish, at its own expense, to the Purchasers and the dealers and to any other dealers at the request of Credit Suisse, an amendment or supplement which will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance. Neither Credit Suisse's consent to, nor the Purchasers' delivery to offerees or investors of, any such amendment or supplement shall constitute a waiver of any of the conditions set forth in Section 7.
- (b) Furnishing of Offering Circulars. The Company and the Guarantors will furnish to Credit Suisse copies of the Preliminary Offering Circular, each other document comprising a part of the General Disclosure Package, the Final Offering Circular, all amendments and supplements to such documents and each item of Supplemental Marketing Material, in each case as soon as available and in such quantities as Credit Suisse reasonably requests. At any time when the Company is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d), and any Notes remain "restricted securities" within the meaning of the Securities Act, the Company and the Guarantors will promptly furnish or cause to be furnished to Credit Suisse (and, upon request, to each of the other Purchasers) and, upon

request of holders and prospective purchasers of the Notes, to such holders and purchasers, copies of the information required to be delivered to holders and prospective purchasers of the Notes pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) (or any successor provision thereto) in order to permit compliance with Rule 144A in connection with resales by such holders of the Notes. The Company will pay the expenses of printing and distributing to the Purchasers all such documents.

- (c) *Blue Sky Qualifications*. The Company and the Guarantors shall cooperate with the Purchasers and counsel for the Purchasers to qualify the Offered Securities for resale under the state securities or blue sky laws of those jurisdictions as Credit Suisse reasonably designates in writing, shall comply with such laws and shall continue such qualifications in effect so long as required for the distribution of the Offered Securities by the Purchasers, provided that the Company will not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or file a general consent to service of process or take any action that would subject it to general service of process or taxation in any such jurisdiction where it is not presently qualified or required to file such a consent or is subject to taxation.
- (d) Reporting Requirements. For so long as the Notes remain outstanding, the Company will furnish, upon request, to Credit Suisse and, upon request, to each of the other Purchasers, as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year, a copy of its annual report to stockholders for such year; and the Company will furnish to Credit Suisse and, upon request, to each of the other Purchasers (i) as soon as available, a copy of each report and any definitive proxy statement of the Company filed with the Commission under the Exchange Act or mailed to the Company's stockholders, the Trustee or holders of the Offered Securities and (ii) from time to time, such other information concerning the Company as Credit Suisse may reasonably request. However, so long as the Company is subject to the reporting requirements of either Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act and is timely filing reports with the Commission on its Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval system ("EDGAR"), it is not required to furnish such reports or statements to the Purchasers.
- (e) *Transfer Restrictions*. During the period of one year after the Closing Date, the Company will, upon request, furnish to Credit Suisse, each of the other Purchasers and any holder of the Offered Securities a copy of the restrictions on transfer applicable to the Offered Securities.
- (f) No Resales by Affiliates. During the period of one year after the Closing Date, unless permitted under Rule 144 of the Securities Act, the Company will not, and will use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause its affiliates (as defined in Rule 144) not to, resell any of the Offered Securities that have been reacquired by any of them, unless such Offered Securities are resold in a transaction registered under the Securities Act.
- (g) *Investment Company*. During the period of two years after the Closing Date, neither the Company nor any Guarantor will be or become an open-end investment company, unit investment trust or face-amount certificate company that is or is required to be registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act.
- (h) Payment of Expenses. The Company and the Guarantors will pay all expenses incidental to the performance of their respective obligations under this Agreement, the Indenture and the Registration Rights Agreement, including but not limited to (i) the fees and expenses of the Trustee and its professional advisers; (ii) all expenses, including transfer taxes and stamp or similar duties, if any, in connection with the execution, issue, authentication, packaging and initial delivery of the Offered Securities and, as applicable, the Exchange Securities, the preparation and printing of this Agreement, the Registration Rights Agreement, the Offered Securities, the Indenture, the Preliminary Offering Circular, any other documents comprising any part of the General Disclosure Package, the Final Offering Circular, all amendments and supplements thereto, each item of Supplemental Marketing Material and any other document relating to the issuance, offer, sale and delivery of the Notes and as applicable, the Exchange Securities; (iii) the cost of

any advertising approved by the Company in connection with the issue of the Notes; (v) any expenses (including reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Purchasers) incurred in connection with qualification of the Offered Securities or the Exchange Securities for offer and sale under the blue sky laws or the laws of such jurisdictions in the United States and Canada as Credit Suisse reasonably designates in writing and the preparation and printing of memoranda relating thereto; (vi) any fees charged by investment rating agencies for the rating of the Offered Securities or the Exchange Securities; (vii) costs and expenses incurred in distributing the Preliminary Offering Circular, any other documents comprising any part of the General Disclosure Package, the Final Offering Circular (including any amendments and supplements thereto) and any Supplemental Marketing Material to the Purchasers; and (viii) expenses incurred for preparing, printing and distributing any Issuer Free Writing Communication to investors or prospective investors. The Company and the Guarantors will also pay or reimburse the Purchasers (to the extent incurred by them) for costs and expenses of the Purchasers and the Company's officers and employees and any other expenses of the Purchasers, the Company and the Guarantors relating to investor presentations on any "road show" in connection with the offering and sale of the Notes including, without limitation, any travel expenses of the Company's and the Guarantors' officers and employees and any other expenses of the Company and the Guarantors, except that the Purchasers will pay 50% of the cost of any aircraft chartered in connection with the "road show." The Purchasers shall pay all of their own costs and expenses, including the fees and disbursements of their counsel, except as provided in this Agreement.

- (i) *Use of Proceeds*. The Company will use the net proceeds received by it in connection with this offering in the manner described in the "Use of Proceeds" section of the General Disclosure Package and, except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package, the Company does not intend to use any of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes hereunder to repay any outstanding debt owed to any affiliate of any Purchaser.
- (j) Absence of Manipulation. In connection with the offering, until Credit Suisse shall have notified the Company and the other Purchasers, which notice shall be promptly provided upon the written request of the Company, of the completion of the resale of the Offered Securities, neither the Company the Guarantors nor any their affiliates will, either alone or with one or more other persons, bid for or purchase for any account in which it or any of its affiliates has a beneficial interest any Offered Securities or attempt to induce any person to purchase any Offered Securities; and neither it nor any of their affiliates will make bids or purchases for the purpose of creating actual, or apparent, active trading in, or of raising the price of, the Offered Securities.
- (k) Restriction on Sale of Securities. For a period of 90 days after the date hereof, neither the Company nor the Guarantors will, directly or indirectly, take any of the following actions with respect to any United States dollar-denominated debt securities issued or guaranteed by the Company or the Guarantors and having a maturity of more than one year from the date of issue or any securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any such dollar-denominated debt securities ("Lock-Up Securities"): (i) offer, sell, issue, contract to sell, pledge or otherwise dispose of Lock-Up Securities, (ii) offer, sell, issue, contract to sell, contract to purchase or grant any option, right or warrant to purchase Lock-Up Securities, (iii) enter into any swap, hedge or any other agreement that transfers, in whole or in part, the economic consequences of ownership of Lock-Up Securities, (iv) establish or increase a put equivalent position or liquidate or decrease a call equivalent position in Lock-Up Securities within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act or (v) file with the Commission a registration statement under the Securities Act relating to Lock-Up Securities or publicly disclose the intention to take any such action, without the prior written consent of Credit Suisse, except that the Company is permitted to make (x) such filings or public disclosures with respect to the Exchange Securities and/or Offered Securities in connection with the filing of the Exchange Offer Registration Statement or the consummation of the Exchange Offer, the Shelf Registration Statement and other transactions contemplated by the Registration Rights Agreement and (y) a filing by the Company of a shelf registration statement on Form S-3, or any amendments or supplements thereto, under the Securities Act, which registration statement may include any dollar-denominated debt and other

securities, provided further, than no sales under any such shelf registration statement shall be permitted during this 90-day period. Neither the Company nor the Guarantors will at any time directly or indirectly, take any action referred to in clauses (i) through (v) above with respect to any securities under circumstances where such offer, sale, pledge, contract or disposition would cause the exemption afforded by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act or the safe harbor of Regulation S thereunder to cease to be applicable to the offer and sale of the Offered Securities.

- (1) *Eligibility for Clearance*. The Company and the Guarantors will reasonably assist the Purchaser to permit the Offered Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the facilities of DTC.
- 6. Free Writing Communications. (a) Issuer Free Writing Communications. Each of the Company and the Guarantors represents and agrees that, unless it obtains the prior consent of Credit Suisse, and each Purchaser represents and agrees that, unless it obtains the prior consent of the Company and Credit Suisse, it has not made and will not make any offer relating to the Offered Securities that would constitute an Issuer Free Writing Communication.

Term Sheets. The Company consents to the use by any Purchaser of a Free Writing Communication that (i) contains only (A) information describing the preliminary terms of the Offered Securities or their offering or (B) information that describes the final terms of the Offered Securities or their offering and that is included in or is subsequently included in the Final Offering Circular, including by means of a pricing term sheet in the form of Exhibit B-1 hereto, or (ii) does not contain any material information about the Company or the Guarantors or their respective securities that was provided by or on behalf of the Company or the Guarantors; it being understood and agreed that the Company and each Guarantor shall not be responsible to any Purchaser for liability arising from any inaccuracy in such Free Writing Communications referred to in clause (i) or (ii) as compared with the information in the Preliminary Offering Circular, the Final Offering Circular or the General Disclosure Package and any such inaccurate Free Writing Communication shall not be an Issuer Free Writing Communication for purposes of this Agreement.

- 7. Conditions of the Obligations of the Purchasers. The obligations of the several Purchasers to purchase and pay for the Notes will be subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties of each of the Company and the Guarantors herein (as though made on the Closing Date), to the accuracy of the statements of officers of each of the Company and the Guarantors made pursuant to the provisions hereof, to the performance by each of the Company and the Guarantors of their respective obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions precedent:
 - (a) Accountants' Comfort Letter. The Purchasers shall have received letters, dated, respectively, the date hereof concerning the financial information with respect to the Company set forth in the General Disclosure Package and the Closing Date concerning the financial information with respect to the Company set forth in the Final Offering Circular, of Grant Thornton LLP confirming that they are a registered public accounting firm and independent public accountants within the meaning of the Securities Laws and substantially in the form of Schedule C hereto (except that, in any letter dated on the Closing Date, the specified date referred to in Schedule C hereto shall be a date no more than three days prior to such Closing Date).
 - (b) Reserve Engineers' Comfort Letter. The Purchasers shall have received letters, dated, respectively, the date hereof and the Closing Date, from each of Netherland, Sewell & Associates, Inc. and Ryder Scott Company, L.P. stating the conclusions and findings of such firm with respect to certain of the oil and natural gas reserves of the Company and certain other related information contained in the General Disclosure Package and Final Offering Circular, as applicable, in each case, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Credit Suisse and attached hereto as Schedules F-1 and F-2, respectively.

- (c) Chief Reserve Engineer Certificate. Credit Suisse shall have received a certificate dated, respectively, the date hereof and the Closing Date, from Steven R. Baldwin, the Company's chief reserve engineer, certifying as to the Company's internal reserve report dated December 31, 2011 and in a form reasonably satisfactory to Credit Suisse and attached hereto as Schedule G.
- (d) No Material Adverse Change. Subsequent to the execution and delivery of this Agreement, there shall not have occurred (i) any change, or any development or event involving a prospective change, in the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business, or properties or prospects of the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly taken as a whole which, in the judgment of Credit Suisse, is material and adverse and makes it impractical or inadvisable to proceed with the completion of the offering or the sale of and payment for the Offered Securities; (ii) any downgrading in the rating of any debt securities of the Company or the Guarantors by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act), or any public announcement that any such organization has under surveillance or review its rating of any debt securities of the Company or the Guarantors (other than an announcement with positive implications of a possible upgrading, and no implication of a possible downgrading, of such rating) or any announcement that the Company or the Guarantors has been placed on negative outlook; (iii) any change in U.S. or international financial, political or economic conditions or currency exchange rates or exchange controls the effect of which is such as to make it, in the judgment of Credit Suisse, impractical to market or to enforce contracts for the sale of the Offered Securities, whether in the primary market or in respect of dealings in the secondary market, (iv) any suspension or material limitation of trading in securities generally on The NASDAQ Global Select Market, or any setting of minimum or maximum prices for trading on such exchange; (v) or any suspension of trading of any securities of the Company or the Guarantors on any exchange or in the over-the-counter market; (vi) any banking moratorium declared by any U.S. Federal or New York authorities; (vii) any major disruption of settlements of securities, payment, or clearance services in the United States or any other country where such securities are listed; or (viii) any attack on, outbreak or escalation of hostilities or act of terrorism involving the United States, any declaration of war by Congress or any other national or international calamity or emergency if, in the judgment of Credit Suisse, the effect of any such attack, outbreak, escalation, act, declaration, calamity or emergency is such as to make it impractical or inadvisable to market the Offered Securities or to enforce contracts for the sale of the Notes.
- (e) Opinions of Counsel for Company. The Purchasers shall have received an opinion or opinions, dated the Closing Date, of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld LLP, counsel for the Company and the Guarantors substantially in the form set forth in Schedule E.
- (f) *Opinion of Counsel for Purchasers*. The Purchasers shall have received from Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP, counsel for the Purchasers, such opinion or opinions, dated the Closing Date, and with reference to same in the Final Offering Circular, with respect to such matters as Credit Suisse may require, and each of the Company and the Guarantors shall have furnished to such counsel such documents as they reasonably request for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon such matters.
- (g) Officers' Certificate. The Purchasers shall have received certificates, dated the Closing Date, of an executive officer of the Company and the Guarantors and a principal financial or accounting officer of the Company and the Guarantors in which such officers shall state that the representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors in this Agreement are true and correct, that the Company and the Guarantors have complied with all agreements and satisfied all conditions on their part to be performed or satisfied hereunder at or prior to the Closing Date, and that, subsequent to the date of the most recent financial statements in the General Disclosure Package there has been no material adverse change, nor any development or event involving a prospective material adverse change, in the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business, properties or prospects of the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly taken as a whole except as set forth in the General Disclosure Package or as described in such certificate.

- (h) Additional Documents. Each of the Company and the Guarantors shall have executed and delivered the Registration Rights Agreement in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Purchasers, and the Registration Rights Agreement shall be in full force and effect.
- (i) The Company shall have delivered to the Purchasers the fifth amendment to its secured credit agreement dated as of September 30, 2010, as amended from time to time (the "Credit Agreement"), among the Company, The Bank of Nova Scotia, N.A., as administrative agent (the "Agent"), and the other lenders party thereto, executed by each of the Company, the Agent and the Required Lenders (as defined therein), and substantially in a form to be mutually agreed upon by the Company and the Purchasers.

Documents described as being "in the agreed form" are documents which are in the forms which have been initialed for the purpose of identification by Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP, copies of which are held by the Company, the Guarantors and Credit Suisse, with such changes as Credit Suisse may approve.

The Company and the Guarantors will furnish the Purchasers with such conformed copies of such opinions, certificates, letters and documents as the Purchasers reasonably request. Credit Suisse may in its sole discretion waive on behalf of the Purchasers compliance with any conditions to the obligations of the Purchasers hereunder, whether in respect of an Optional Closing Date or otherwise.

- 8. Indemnification and Contribution. (a) Indemnification of Purchasers. The Company and the Guarantors will jointly and severally indemnify and hold harmless each Purchaser, its officers, employees, agents, partners, members, directors and its affiliates and each person, if any, who controls such Purchaser within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act (each, an "Indemnified Party"), against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which such Indemnified Party may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, other Federal or state statutory law or regulation or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact contained in the Preliminary Offering Circular or the Final Offering Circular, in each case as amended or supplemented or any Issuer Free Writing Communication (including with limitation, any Supplemental Marketing Material), any Exchange Act Report or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading and will reimburse each Indemnified Party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Indemnified Party in connection with investigating, preparing or defending against any such loss, claim, damage, liability, action, litigation, investigation or proceeding whatsoever (whether or not such Indemnified Party is a party thereto) whether threatened or commenced and in connection with the enforcement of this provision with respect to any of the above as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company and the Guarantors will not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement in or omission or alleged omission from any of such documents in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Purchaser through Credit Suisse specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information consists of the information furnished by any Purchaser described as such in subsection (b) below.
- (b) Indemnification of Company. Each Purchaser will severally and not jointly indemnify and hold harmless each of the Company, the Guarantors and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and each person, if any, who controls the Company or the Guarantors within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act (each, a "Purchaser Indemnified Party"), against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which such Purchaser Indemnified Party may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, other Federal or state statutory law or regulation or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact contained in the Preliminary Offering Circular or the Final Offering Circular, in each case as amended or supplemented, or any Issuer Free Writing Communication or arise out of or are based upon the omission or the alleged omission of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the

circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by such Purchaser through Credit Suisse specifically for use therein, and will reimburse any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Purchaser Indemnified Party in connection with investigating, preparing or defending against any such loss, claim, damage, liability, action, litigation, investigation or proceeding whatsoever (whether or not such Purchaser Indemnified Party is a party thereto) whether threatened or commenced based upon any such untrue statement or omission, or any such alleged untrue statement or omission as such expenses are incurred, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Purchaser consists of the following information in the Preliminary Offering Circular and the Final Offering Circular furnished on behalf of each Purchaser: the third paragraph, the second sentence of the eighth paragraph, the tenth paragraph, the eleventh paragraph and the third and fourth sentences of the fourteenth paragraph, in each case under the caption "Plan of Distribution"; provided, however, that the Purchasers shall not be liable for any losses, claims, damages or liabilities arising out of or based upon the Company's failure to perform its obligations under Section 5(a) of this Agreement.

(c) Actions against Parties; Notification. Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 8 of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under subsection (a) or (b) above, notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof; but the failure to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have under subsection (a) or (b) above except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure; and provided further that the failure to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to an indemnified party otherwise than under subsection (a) or (b) above. In case any such action is brought against any indemnified party and it notifies the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party will be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it may wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel satisfactory to such indemnified party (who shall not, except with the consent of the indemnified party, be counsel to the indemnifying party), and after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the defense thereof, the indemnifying party will not be liable to such indemnified party under this Section 8 for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened action in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such indemnified party unless such settlement includes (i) an unconditional release of such indemnified party from all liability on any claims that are the subject matter of such action and (ii) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or failure to act by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

(d) *Contribution*. If the indemnification provided for in this Section 8 is unavailable or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to in subsection (a) or (b) above (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Purchasers on the other from the offering of the Notes or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Purchasers on the other in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Purchasers on the other shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the total net proceeds from the offering (before deducting expenses) received by the Company bear to the total discounts and commissions received by the Purchasers from the Company under this Agreement. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company and the Guarantors or the Purchasers and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or

prevent such untrue statement or omission. The amount paid by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to in the first sentence of this subsection (d) shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any action or claim which is the subject of this subsection (d). Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (d), no Purchaser shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Notes purchased by it were resold exceeds the amount of any damages which such Purchaser has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Purchasers' obligations in this subsection (d) to contribute are several in proportion to their respective purchase obligations and not joint. The Company, the Guarantors and the Purchasers agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 8(d) were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Purchasers were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in this Section 8(d).

- 9. Default of Purchasers. If any Purchaser or Purchasers default in their obligations to purchase the Notes hereunder on the Closing Date and the aggregate principal amount of the Notes that such defaulting Purchaser or Purchasers agreed but failed to purchase does not exceed 10% of the total principal amount of the Notes that the Purchasers are obligated to purchase on the Closing Date, Credit Suisse may make arrangements satisfactory to the Company for the purchase of such Notes by other persons, including any of the Purchasers, but if no such arrangements are made by the Closing Date, the non-defaulting Purchasers shall be obligated severally, in proportion to their respective commitments hereunder, to purchase the Notes that such defaulting Purchasers agreed but failed to purchase on the Closing Date. If any Purchaser or Purchasers so default and the aggregate principal amount of the Notes with respect to which such default or defaults occur exceeds 10% of the total principal amount of the Notes and arrangements satisfactory to Credit Suisse and the Company for the purchase of such Notes by other persons are not made within 36 hours after such default, this Agreement will terminate without liability on the part of any non-defaulting Purchaser or the Company, except as provided in Section 10. As used in this Agreement, the term "Purchaser" includes any person substituted for a Purchaser under this Section 9. Nothing herein will relieve a defaulting Purchaser from liability for its default.
- 10. Survival of Certain Representations and Obligations. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of the Company, the Guarantors or their respective officers and of the several Purchasers set forth in or made pursuant to this Agreement will remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation, or statement as to the results thereof, made by or on behalf of any Purchaser, the Company, the Guarantors or any of their respective representatives, officers or directors or any controlling person, and will survive delivery of and payment for the Notes. If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 9 or for any reason the purchase of the Notes by the Purchasers is not consummated, the Company and the Guarantors shall remain responsible for the expenses to be paid or reimbursed by it pursuant to Section 5 and the respective obligations of the Company, the Guarantors and the Purchasers pursuant to Section 8 shall remain in effect. If the purchase of the Offered Securities by the Purchasers is not consummated for any reason other than solely because of the termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 9 or the occurrence of any event specified in clause (iii), (iv), (vii) or (viii) of Section 7(d), the Company and the Guarantors will reimburse the Purchasers for all out-of-pocket expenses (including fees and disbursements of counsel) reasonably incurred by them in connection with the offering of the Offered Securities. In addition, if any Offered Securities have been purchased hereunder, the representations and warranties in Section 2 and all obligations under Section 5 shall also remain in effect.
- 11. Notices. All communications hereunder will be in writing and, if sent to the Purchasers, will be mailed, hand delivered, couriered or facsimiled and confirmed to the Purchasers, c/o Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, Eleven Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010-3629, Attention: LCD-IBD, or, if sent to the Company or the Guarantors, will be mailed, hand delivered, couriered or facsimiled and confirmed to it at 14313 North May Avenue, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK 73134, Attention: Michael G. Moore, with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P., 1700 Pacific Avenue, Suite 4100, Dallas, TX 75103, Attention: Seth R. Molay, P.C., provided, however, that any notice to a Purchaser pursuant to Section 8 will be mailed, hand delivered, couriered or facsimiled and confirmed to such Purchaser.

- 12. *Successors*. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and the officers, directors and controlling persons referred to in Section 8, and no other person will have any right or obligation hereunder, except that holders of the Offered Securities shall be entitled to enforce the agreements for their benefit contained in the second and third sentences of Section 5(b) hereof against the Company as if such holders were parties thereto.
- 13. Representation of Purchasers. Credit Suisse will act for the several Purchasers in connection with this purchase, and any action under this Agreement taken by Credit Suisse will be binding upon all the Purchasers.
- 14. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same Agreement.
 - 15. Absence of Fiduciary Relationship. Each of the Company and the Guarantors acknowledges and agrees that:
 - (a) No Other Relationship. The Purchasers have been retained solely to act as initial purchasers in connection with the initial purchase, offering and resale of the Notes and that no fiduciary, advisory or agency relationship between the Company or the Guarantors and the Purchasers have been created in respect of any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, the Preliminary Offering Circular or the Final Offering Circular, irrespective of whether the Purchasers have advised or are advising the Company or the Guarantors on other matters;
 - (b) Arm's-Length Negotiations. The purchase price of the Notes set forth in this Agreement was established by the Company and the Guarantors following discussions and arms-length negotiations with the Purchasers and the Company and the Guarantors are capable of evaluating and understanding and understand and accept the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement;
 - (c) Absence of Obligation to Disclose. Each of the Company and the Guarantors has been advised that the Purchasers and their affiliates are engaged in a broad range of transactions which may involve interests that differ from those of the Company or the Guarantors and that the Purchasers have no obligation to disclose such interests and transactions to the Company or the Guarantors by virtue of any fiduciary, advisory or agency relationship; and
 - (d) Waiver. Each of the Company and the Guarantors waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any claims it may have against the Purchasers for breach of fiduciary duty or alleged breach of fiduciary duty and agree that the Purchasers shall have no liability (whether direct or indirect) to the Company or the Guarantors in respect of such a fiduciary duty claim or to any person asserting a fiduciary duty claim on behalf of or in right of the Company, including stockholders, employees or creditors of the Company or the Guarantors.
- 16. Applicable Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

Each of the Company and the Guarantors hereby submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal and state courts in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby. Each of the Company and the Guarantors irrevocably and unconditionally waives any objection to the laying of venue of any suit

or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby in Federal and state courts in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York and irrevocably and unconditionally waives and agrees not to plead or claim in any such court that any such suit or proceeding in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum.

[Signature Page Follows]

If the foregoing is in accordance with the Purchasers' understanding of our agreement, kindly sign and return to the Company one of the counterparts hereof, whereupon it will become a binding agreement between the Company, the Guarantors and the several Purchasers in accordance with its terms.

Very truly yours,

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

By:/s/ Michael G. Moore

Name: Michael G. Moore

Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

JAGUAR RESOURCES LLC

By:/s/ Michael G. Moore

Name: Michael G. Moore

Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

PUMA RESOURCES, INC.

By:/s/ Michael G. Moore

Name: Michael G. Moore

Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

GATOR MARINE, INC.

By:/s/ Michael G. Moore

Name: Michael G. Moore

Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

GATOR MARINE IVANHOE, INC.

By: /s/ Michael G. Moore

Name: Michael G. Moore

Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

WESTHAWK MINERALS LLC

By: /s/ Michael G. Moore

Name: Michael G. Moore

Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

The foregoing Purchase Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted as of the date first above written.

CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC

Acting on behalf of itself and as the Representative of the several Purchasers

BY CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC

By: /s/Aaron Gaydosik

Name: Aaron Gaydosik

Title: Director

SCHEDULE A

	Principal Amount of
Purchasers	the Notes
Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC	\$128,864,000.00
Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.	30,928,000.00
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.	20,619,000.00
Capital One Southcoast, Inc.	7,732,000.00
IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C.	7,732,000.00
Johnson Rice & Company L.L.C.	7,732,000.00
KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc.	7,732,000.00
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.	7,732,000.00
Wunderlich Securities, Inc.	7,732,000.00
RBC Capital Markets, LLC	7,732,000.00
Simmons & Company International	5,155,000.00
Sterne, Agee & Leach, Inc.	5,155,000.00
Burnham Securities Inc.	5,155,000.00
Total	\$ 250,000,000

SCHEDULE B

Issuer Free Writing Communications (included in the General Disclosure Package)

1. Final term sheet, dated October 12, 2012, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B-1.

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

\$250,000,000 7.750 % Senior Unsecured Notes due 2020

This term sheet to the preliminary confidential offering circular dated October 9, 2012 (the "Preliminary Offering Circular") related to the offering of the notes described above should be read together with the Preliminary Offering Circular before making an investment decision with regard to the notes.

Issuer:	Pricing Term Sheet Gulfport Energy Corporation	
Security Description:	Senior unsecured notes	
Distribution:	Rule 144A and Regulation S (with registration rights)	
Principal Amount:	\$250,000,000	
Gross Proceeds:	\$246,335,000	
Maturity:	November 1, 2020	
Coupon:	7.750% 98.534%	
Offering Price:		
Yield to Maturity:	8.000%	
Spread to Treasury:	672 bps	
Benchmark:	UST 2.625% due November 15, 2020	
Ratings:	B3 / CCC+ (1)	
Interest Payment Dates:	Semi-annually or each May 1 and November 1, commencing May 1, 2013	
Record Dates:	April 15 and October 15	

Redeem until November 1, 2015 at 107.750% for up to 35.0%

Equity Clawback:

Optional Redemption: Callable, on or after the following dates, and at the following

prices:

Date Price November 1, 2016 103.875% November 1, 2017 101.938% November 1, 2018 and thereafter 100.000%

Make-Whole: Callable prior to November 1, 2016 at make-whole call

Trade Date: October 12, 2012

Settlement Date: October 17, 2012 (T+3)

CUSIP Numbers: 144A: 402635AA4 Reg S: U40347AA1

144A: US402635AA41

ISIN Numbers: Reg S: USU40347AA17

Increments: \$1,000

Sole Book Runner: Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC

Joint Lead Managers: Scotia Capital (USA) Inc. Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.

Co-Managers: Capital One Southcoast, Inc.

> IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C. Johnson Rice & Company L.L.C. KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc. SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

Wunderlich Securities, Inc. RBC Capital Markets, LLC

Simmons & Company International

Sterne, Agee & Leach, Inc. Burnham Securities Inc.(2)

These securities ratings have been provided by Moody's and S&P. Neither of these ratings is a recommendation to buy, sell or hold these securities. Each rating may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time, and should be evaluated independently of any other rating.

KLR Group operates pursuant to an Office of Supervisory Jurisdiction with Burnham Securities Inc.

Updates to the Preliminary Offering Circular

- 1. Third quarter 2012 production is currently estimated to be in the range of 6,950 to 7,050 BOE per day. Production results during the third quarter were adversely impacted by the shut in and evacuation of West Cote Blanche Bay during Hurricane Isaac and regulatory delays associated with initial midstream infrastructure build out in the Utica Shale.
- 2. Gulfport currently expects capital expenditures for 2013 to be in the range of \$365.0 million to \$375.0 million, excluding potential capital expenditures relating to Grizzly Oil Sands ULC. However, if Gulfport

completes the previously announced contribution of its Permian Basin oil and natural gas interests to Diamondback Energy, Inc. in connection with its proposed initial public offering, Gulfport estimates that its 2013 capital expenditures would be reduced to a range of \$317.0 million to \$327.0 million, excluding potential capital expenditures relating to Grizzly Oil Sands ULC.

3. On October 11, 2012, Gulfport completed its previously announced contribution of all of its oil and gas interests in the Permian Basin to Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("Diamondback"). At the closing of that transaction, Diamondback issued Gulfport (i) 7,914,036 shares of Diamondback common stock and (ii) a promissory note for \$63.6 million, which will be paid to Gulfport at the closing of Diamondback's initial public offering. The closing is expected to occur on or about October 17, 2012. This aggregate consideration is subject to a post-closing cash adjustment. If the contribution transaction had closed on September 30, 2012, based on preliminary estimates Diamondback believes it would have owed Gulfport approximately \$16.0 million for this post-closing adjustment. However, the actual amount due based on the October 11, 2012 closing date has not been determined, and the actual amount may vary materially from the estimated amount on September 30, 2012.

This term sheet is confidential and is for your information only and is not intended to be used by anyone other than you. This information does not purport to be a complete description of these securities or the offering and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Preliminary Offering Circular. The information in this term sheet supplements the Preliminary Offering Circular and supersedes the Preliminary Offering Circular to the extent it is inconsistent with the information in the Preliminary Offering Circular.

This communication is being distributed in the United States solely to Qualified Institutional Buyers, as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, and outside the United States solely to non-U.S. persons as defined under Regulation S. This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation in such jurisdiction.

SCHEDULE C

Credit Suisse shall have received letters, dated, respectively, the date hereof on the General Disclosure Package and the Closing Date on the Final Offering Circular, confirming that Grant Thornton LLP is a registered public accounting firm and independent public accountants within the meaning of the Securities Laws to the effect that:

- (i) in their opinion the audited consolidated financial statements examined by them and included in the [Preliminary Offering Circular] [Final Offering Circular] comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Securities Laws;
- (ii) with respect to the period(s) covered by the unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements included in the Preliminary and Final Offering Circular, they have performed the procedures specified by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants for a review of interim financial information as described in AU 722, Interim Financial Information, on the unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements (including the notes thereto) of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries included in the Preliminary and Final Offering Circular, and have made inquiries of certain officials of the Company who have responsibility for financial and accounting matters of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as to whether such unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Securities Act and the related published rules and regulations; they have read the latest unaudited monthly consolidated financial statements (including the notes thereto) of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries made available by the Company and the minutes of the meetings of the stockholders, Board of Directors and committees of the Board of Directors of the Company; and have made inquiries of certain officials of the Company who have responsibility for financial and accounting matters of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as to whether the unaudited monthly financial statements are stated on a basis substantially consistent with that of the audited consolidated financial statements included in the Preliminary and Final Offering Circular; and on the basis thereof, nothing came to their attention which caused them to believe that:
 - (A) the unaudited financial statements included in the Preliminary and Final Offering Circular do not comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Securities Laws, or that any material modifications should be made to the unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (B) with respect to the period subsequent to the date of the most recent unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements included in the Preliminary and Final Offering Circular, at a specified date at the end of the most recent month, there were any increases in the short-term debt or long-term debt of the Company, and its consolidated subsidiaries, or any change in stockholders' equity or the consolidated capital stock of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries or any decreases in the net current assets or net assets of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries, as compared with the amounts shown on the latest balance sheet included in the General Disclosure Package or for the period from the day after the date of the most recent unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements included in the General Disclosure Package for such entities to such specified date, there were any decreases, as compared with the corresponding period in the preceding year, in consolidated net sales, net operating income, or in total consolidated income before extraordinary items or net income of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries except for such changes, increases or decreases set forth in such letter;

- (iii) With respect to any period as to which officials of the Company have advised that no consolidated financial statements as of any date or for any period subsequent to the specified date referred to in (ii)(B) above are available, they have made inquiries of certain officials of the Company who have responsibility for the financial and accounting matters of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as to whether, at a specified date not more than three business days prior to the date of such letter, there were any increases in the short-term debt or long-term debt of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries, or any change in stockholders' equity or the consolidated capital stock of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries or any decreases in the net current assets or net assets of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries, as compared with the amounts shown on the most recent balance sheet for such entities included in the General Disclosure Package; or for the period from the day after the date of the most recent unaudited quarterly financial statements for such entities included in the General Disclosure Package to such specified date, there were any decreases, as compared with the corresponding period in the preceding year, in net sales, net operating income, or in the total consolidated income before extraordinary items or net income of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries and, on the basis of such inquiries and the review of the minutes described in paragraph (ii) above, nothing came to their attention which caused them to believe that there was any such change, increase, or decrease, except for such changes, increases or decreases set forth in such letter;
- (iv) with respect to the period(s) covered by the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements in the Preliminary and Final Offering Circular, they have made inquiries of certain officials of the Company who have responsibility for financial and accounting matters of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as to the basis for the determination of the pro forma adjustments and whether such unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Securities Act and the related published rules and regulations; have proved the arithmetic accuracy of the application of the pro forma adjustments to the historical amounts in the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements; and on the basis thereof, nothing came to their attention which caused them to believe that:
 - (A) the unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements included in the Preliminary and Final Offering Circular do not comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Securities Laws, and the pro forma adjustments have not been properly applied to the historical amounts in the compilation of those statements; and
- (iv) they have compared specified dollar amounts (or percentages derived from such dollar amounts) and other financial and statistical information contained in the Preliminary Offering Circular, each other document comprising any part of the General Disclosure Package, the Final Offering Circular and each item of Supplemental Marketing Material (other than any Supplemental Marketing Material that is an electronic road show) (in each case to the extent that such dollar amounts, percentages and other financial and statistical information are derived from the general accounting records of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries or are derived directly from such records by analysis or computation) with the results obtained from inquiries, a reading of such general accounting records and other procedures specified in such letter and have found such dollar amounts, percentages and other financial and statistical information to be in agreement with such results.

SCHEDULE D

<u>Subsidiary</u> <u>Jurisdiction of Incorporation</u>

Jaguar Resources LLCDelawarePuma Resources, Inc.DelawareGator Marine, Inc.DelawareGator Marine Ivanhoe, Inc.DelawareWesthawk Minerals LLCDelaware

SCHEDULE E

[Opinions to be given by Akin Gump]

- (i) Each of the Company, the Guarantors (other than Jaguar and Westhawk) and Grizzly is a corporation that is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, the jurisdiction of its incorporation. Each of Jaguar and Westhawk is a limited liability company that is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware. Each of the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly has the corporate or limited liability company, as the case may be, power and authority to own, lease, hold and operate its properties and conduct its business as described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular. Each of the Company, the Guarantors and Grizzly is duly qualified to do business as a foreign corporation or limited liability company, as the case may be, in good standing in each jurisdiction listed on Schedule [•] hereto.
- (ii) Each of the Company and the Guarantors has the corporate or limited liability company, as the case may be, power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Purchase Agreement, the Indenture, the Registration Rights Agreement, the Notes and the Guarantees thereof and to authorize, issue and sell the Offered Securities contemplated by the Purchase Agreement.
- (iii) The execution, delivery and performance of the Indenture (including the Guarantees set forth therein) have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company, as the case may be, action on the part of each of the Company and the Guarantors. The Indenture has been duly executed and delivered by each of the Company and the Guarantors. The execution, delivery and issuance of the Notes have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Company, and, when executed by the Company and authenticated by the Trustee in the manner provided in the Indenture (assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery of the Indenture by the Trustee) and delivered against payment of the purchase price therefor, will constitute binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles. The Notes are in the forms contemplated by the Indenture. The Indenture (including the Guarantees set forth therein) constitute valid and binding obligations of each of the Company and the Guarantors, as applicable, enforceable against the Company and the Guarantors, as applicable, in accordance with their terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles. The Notes and the Guarantees are entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.
- (iv) The execution, delivery and performance of the Exchange Notes and the Guarantees thereof provided for in the Indenture have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company, as the case may be, action on the part of each of the Company and the Guarantors, as applicable; and when the Exchange Notes are issued, executed and authenticated in accordance with the terms of the Exchange Offer and the Indenture, will be the valid and binding obligations of the Company and the Guarantors, as applicable, enforceable against the Company and the Guarantors, as applicable, in accordance with their terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
- (v) The execution, delivery and performance of the Registration Rights Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company, as the case may be, action on the part of each of the Company and the Guarantors. The Registration Rights Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by each of the Company and the Guarantors. The Registration Rights Agreement constitutes the valid and binding obligation of each of the Company and the Guarantors, enforceable against the Company and the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

- (vi) No consent, approval, authorization or order of, notice to, or registration or filing with, any person (including any governmental agency or body or any court) is required under any Included Law for the due execution, delivery or performance by the Company and the Guarantors of the Purchase Agreement or for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Purchase Agreement, the Indenture and the Registration Rights Agreement in connection with the offering, issuance and sale of the Notes by the Company and the Guarantees by the Guarantors, except for (a) routine filings necessary in connection with the conduct of the businesses of the Company and the Guarantors, (b) filings as may be required under federal, state or foreign securities laws, as to which such counsel express no opinion in this paragraph, (c) filings necessary to maintain existence and good standing, (d) such other filings as have been obtained or made and (e) the order of the Commission declaring effective the Exchange Offer Registration Statement or, if required, the Shelf Registration Statement.
- (vii) Neither the execution and delivery of the Indenture (including the Guarantees therein), the Notes, the Purchase Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement by the Company and the Guarantors and the performance by the Company and the Guarantors of their respective obligations thereunder, nor the issuance and sale of the Offered Securities, will (a) result in a violation of the terms of the charter or bylaws or similar organizational documents of the Company and the Guarantors, (b) whether with or without the giving of notice or passage of time or both, constitute a breach of, or default or Debt Repayment Triggering Event under, any Reviewed Agreement, (c) violate any Included Law, (d) result in the violation of any Reviewed Order or (e) result in the creation or imposition under any Reviewed Agreement of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company or the Guarantors except as contemplated by the Purchase Agreement, the Indenture and the Registration Rights Agreement.
- (viii) The execution, delivery and performance of the Purchase Agreement has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company, as the case may be, action on the part of each of the Company and the Guarantors. The Purchase Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by each of the Company and the Guarantors.
- (ix) Assuming, without independent investigation, (a) that the Offered Securities are sold to the several Purchasers pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, and initially resold by the Purchasers, in accordance with the terms of and in the manner contemplated by, the Purchase Agreement and the Final Offering Circular, (b) the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors set forth in the Purchaser Agreement and in those certain certificates delivered on the date hereof, (c) the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Purchasers set forth in the Purchase Agreement, (d) the due performance by the Company, the Guarantors and the Purchasers of their respective covenants and agreements set forth in the Purchase Agreement, (e) the timely filing of all notices required to be filed with any Federal agency subsequent to the date hereof in order to secure exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, (f) the Purchasers' compliance with the transfer procedures and restrictions described in the Final Offering Circular and (g) the accuracy of the representations and warranties made in accordance with the Purchase Agreement and the "Notice to Investors" section of the Final Offering Circular by each purchaser to whom the Purchasers initially resell the Offered Securities, it is not necessary to register the Offered Securities under the Securities Act or to qualify an indenture in respect thereof under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, in each case in connection with the issuance and sale of the Offered Securities by the Company and the Guarantors to the Purchasers or in connection with the initial resale of the Offered Securities by the Purchasers in the manner contemplated by the Purchase Agreement and the Final Offering Circular, it being expressly understood that such counsel express no opinion as to any subsequent re-offer or resale of any of the Offered Securities.
- (x) Neither the Company nor any Guarantor is, and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Offered Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in the General Disclosure Package, neither the Company nor any Guarantor will be, an "investment company" required to register under and within the meaning of the Investment Company Act.

(xi) The statements in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular under the heading "Tax Matters", insofar as such statements purport to constitute summaries of federal or state statutes, rules and regulations that constitute Included Laws, fairly present, in all material respects, the information purported to be included therein.

(xii) The statements in each of the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular under the captions "Description of the Notes" and "Description of other Indebtedness," insofar as they purport to constitute summaries of the terms of contracts and other documents, fairly present, in all material respects, the information purported to be included therein.

Negative Assurance

Because the primary purpose of such counsel's professional engagement was not to establish or confirm factual matters or financial, accounting, statistical or reserve information, and because many determinations involved in the preparation of the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Circular are of a wholly or partially non-legal character, except as set forth in paragraphs (xi) and (xii) of this letter, such counsel is not passing upon and does not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the statements contained or incorporated by reference in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular and such counsel makes no representation that it has independently verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness of such statements.

However, in the course of our acting as counsel to the Company in connection with its preparation of the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular, such counsel participated in conferences and telephone conversations with representatives of the Company, the internal reserve engineer of the Company, representatives of the independent public accountants for the Company, representatives of the independent petroleum engineers of the Company, representatives of the Purchasers and representatives of the Purchasers' counsel, during which conferences and conversations the contents of the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Circular and related matters were discussed, and such counsel reviewed certain corporate records and documents furnished to such counsel by the Company and certain documents publicly filed by the Company with the Commission.

Subject to the foregoing, such counsel confirms to you that, on the basis of the information we gained in the course of performing the services referred to above, no facts have come to our attention that cause such counsel to believe that:

- (i) the General Disclosure Package, as of the Applicable Time, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or
- (ii) the Final Offering Circular, as of its date and as of the date hereof, contained or contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;

except that in the case of each of clauses (i) and (ii) above, such counsel does not express any view as to the: financial statements and related notes and schedules or other financial data, accounting data or reports on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting; oil and gas reserves; or statistical data derived from such financial data or oil and gas reserves and related net future cash flows contained or incorporated by reference in or omitted from the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Circular.

Schedule G

Gulfport Energy Corporation

OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

(Reserve Reports)

Capitalized terms used but not defined in this certificate have the meaning ascribed to them in the Purchase Agreement, dated October 12, 2012, among the Gulfport Energy Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), the Guarantors party thereto and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC as representative of the several Purchasers named in Schedule A thereto (the "Purchase Agreement"). This certificate is being delivered pursuant to the terms of the Purchase Agreement.

In connection with the offering of the 7.750% Senior Notes due 2020, and to assist the Purchasers (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) in conducting and documenting their investigation of the affairs of the Company and the Guarantors in connection with the offering of the 7.750% Senior Notes due 2020, I, **Steven R. Baldwin**, Senior Reservoir Engineer of the Company, do hereby certify as follows:

- 1. As Senior Reservoir Engineer of the Company, for each of the years ended December 31, 2009, 2010 and 2011, I have had primary supervisory responsibility for the preparation of internal reports (collectively the "Reports") of the estimates of proved reserves and related future net revenues, to the Company's interest, for each of (i) the properties in the East and West Hackberry Fields, except the report for the East and West Hackberry Fields for 2011 was prepared by Netherland, Sewell & Associates, Inc., the Company's independent petroleum engineers, (ii) the Company's interest in the Bakken Play and (iii) certain other minor interests in various states.
- 2. I am familiar with the standards pertaining to the estimating and auditing of oil and gas reserve information promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as in effect at each of the year ends of the respective reports.
- 3. The estimates of the Company's proved reserves contained in each of the Reports, and the computations made in connection therewith, were made in accordance with the provisions of Rule 4-10 of Regulation S-X promulgated by the SEC and have been prepared in a manner consistent and in compliance with such other published interpretations and criteria pertaining to the estimation of proved oil and gas reserves and related future net revenues promulgated by the SEC, as such Rule was in effect and as such interpretations and criteria were published as of the year end date to which the Report relates.
- 4. The engineering estimates were based on the latest production data available at the time of the estimates, usually through November or December of the year end to which the Report relates. As of the date of this letter, no additional information has been brought to my attention which would lead me to believe that there would be a material downward change in the estimated proved reserves at December 31, 2011 attributable to the Company's interests other than as a result of pricing changes and production since December 31, 2011.
- 5. I have reviewed the circled reserve information related to certain of the Company's proved reserves derived from the Reports on pages attached hereto as Appendix A from the Preliminary Offering Circular and the Final Offering Circular (each as defined in the Purchase Agreement). I confirm that such circled information has been accurately derived from the Reports.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this certificate.

Dated: October 12, 2012

Name: Steve R. Baldwin

Title: Senior Reservoir Engineer of Gulfport Energy Corporation

INVESTOR RIGHTS AGREEMENT

Dated as of October 11, 2012

by and between

DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

and

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

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INVESTOR RIGHTS AGREEMENT

THIS INVESTOR RIGHTS AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of October 11, 2012, by and between Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and Gulfport Energy Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Stockholder" or "Gulfport").

WHEREAS, the Company was formed in December 2011 in contemplation of an initial public offering of common stock of the Company ("Common Stock Offering").

WHEREAS, the Stockholder will be issued shares (the "*Shares*") of Common Stock (as defined below), all of which were validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable, pursuant to the Contribution Agreement (as defined below).

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to enter into this Agreement to govern certain of their rights, duties and obligations relating to registration of the Registrable Securities (as defined below), the nomination of directors, board advisor rights and information rights.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, for good, valuable and binding consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, now agree as follows:

STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT

- Section 1. **Definitions.** As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:
- "Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.
- "Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, a Person that, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with the specified Person.
 - "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
 - "Board Advisor" has the meaning set forth in Section 10(c)(1) of this Agreement.
 - "Charter" means the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended from time to time.
- "Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or any other United States federal agency at the time administering the Securities Act.
- "Common Stock" means the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, or any other shares of capital stock or other securities of the Company into which such shares of Common Stock shall be reclassified or changed, including by reason of a merger, consolidation, reorganization or recapitalization. If the Common Stock has been so reclassified or changed, or if the Company pays a dividend or makes a distribution on the Common Stock in shares of

capital stock, or subdivides (or combines) its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a greater (or smaller) number of shares of Common Stock, a share of Common Stock shall be deemed to be such number of shares of stock and amount of other securities to which a holder of a share of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such change, reclassification, exchange, dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination would be entitled.

"Common Stock Offering" has the meaning set forth in the recitals of this Agreement.

"Company" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"Contribution Agreement" means that certain Contribution Agreement by and between the Company and the Stockholder dated as of May 7, 2012.

"Controlling," "Controlled by" and "under common Control with" refer to the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, any equity interest, or a membership interest in a non-stock corporation; by contract; by power granted in bylaws or similar governing documents; or otherwise. Without limiting the foregoing, any ownership interest greater than fifty percent (50%) for purposes hereof constitutes "Control."

"DB Holdings Registration Rights Agreement" means that certain Registration Rights Agreement by and between the Company and DB Energy Holdings LLC dated as of the date hereof.

"Delay Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(a) of this Agreement.

"Demand Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(a) of this Agreement.

"Demand Registration" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(a) of this Agreement.

"Director" means a member of the Board.

"*Equity Right*" means any options, warrants, exchangeable or convertible securities, subscription rights, exchange rights, statutory preemptive rights, preemptive rights granted under its Charter, stock appreciation rights, phantom stock, profit participation or similar rights, or any other right or instrument pursuant to which any person may be entitled to purchase any security interest in the Company.

"Exchange Act" means the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

"Gulfport" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Gulfport Director" has the meaning set forth in Section 10(a) of this Agreement.

"Holder(s)" means a person who owns Registrable Securities and is either (i) a Stockholder or a Permitted Transferee of a Stockholder that has agreed to be bound by the terms of this Agreement as if such Person were a Stockholder, (ii) upon the death of any Holder, the executor of the estate of such Holder or such Holder's heirs, devisees, legatees or assigns or (iii) upon the disability of any Holder, any guardian or conservator of such Holder.

"Holder Indemnified Parties" has the meaning set forth in Section 6(a) of this Agreement.

"Independent Director" means a natural person who is "independent" under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and the rules and regulations of The NASDAQ Global Market or the then applicable exchange on which the Common Stock is then traded ("Marketplace Rules").

"Independent Directors" has the meaning set forth in Section 10(a) of this Agreement.

"Interruption Period" has the meaning set forth in the last paragraph in Section 4(b) of this Agreement.

"Large Accelerated Filer" has the meaning ascribed to it in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

"Law" means any law (statutory, common or otherwise), constitution, ordinance, rule, regulation, executive order or other similar authority enacted, adopted, promulgated or applied by any legislature, agency, bureau, branch, department, division, commission, court, tribunal or other similar recognized organization or body of any federal, state, county, municipal, local or foreign government or other similar recognized organization or body exercising similar powers or authority.

"Losses" has the meaning set forth in Section 6(a) of this Agreement.

"Misstatement/Omission" has the meaning set forth in Section 6(a) of this Agreement.

"Permitted Transferee" means any Person to whom the rights under this Agreement have been assigned in accordance with the provisions of Section 11(d) of this Agreement.

"Person" means any natural person, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, government, governmental agency, limited liability company or any other entity, whether acting in an individual, fiduciary or other capacity.

"Piggyback Registration" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(a) of this Agreement.

"Prospectus" means the prospectus included in any Registration Statement, as amended or supplemented by any prospectus supplement, with respect to the terms of the offering of any portion of the Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement, and all other amendments and supplements to the Prospectus, including post-effective amendments, and all material incorporated by reference or deemed to be incorporated by reference in such prospectus.

"Registrable Securities" means (i) the Shares, (ii) any other shares of Common Stock that may be acquired by a Holder prior to or after the closing of the Common Stock Offering and (iii) any shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to any rights to acquire Common Stock held by a Holder prior to or after the closing of the Common Stock Offering. If as a result of any reclassification, stock dividends or stock splits or in connection with a combination of shares, recapitalization, merger, consolidation or other reorganization or other transaction or event, any capital stock, evidence of indebtedness, warrants, options, rights or other securities (collectively "Other Securities") are issued or transferred to a Holder in respect of Registrable Securities held by the Holder, references herein to Registrable Securities shall be deemed to include such Other Securities. As to any particular Registrable Securities, such securities will cease to be Registrable Securities when (i) they have been distributed to the public pursuant to an offering registered under the Securities Act, or may legally be distributed to the public in one transaction pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, (ii) they have been distributed to the public pursuant to Rule 144 (or any successor provision) under the Securities Act, or (iii) they have been sold to any Person to whom the rights under this Agreement are not assigned in accordance with this Agreement.

"Registration Statement" means any registration statement under the Securities Act of the Company that covers any of the Registrable Securities, including the related Prospectus, amendments and supplements to such registration statement or Prospectus, including pre- and post-effective amendments, all exhibits, and all materials incorporated by reference or deemed to be incorporated by reference in such registration statement or Prospectus.

"Securities Act" means the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Shares" has the meaning set forth in the recitals of this Agreement.

"Stockholder" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

Section 2. Demand Registrations.

(a) <u>Right to Demand</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, Holders of at least a majority of the aggregate amount of outstanding Registrable Securities shall have the right, by written notice (the "*Demand Notice*") given to the Company, to request the Company to register under and in accordance with the provisions of the Securities Act all or part of the Registrable Securities designated by such Holders (a "*Demand Registration*"). Upon receipt of any such Demand Notice, the Company will promptly notify all other Holders of the receipt of such Demand Notice and allow them the opportunity to include Registrable Securities in the proposed registration by giving notice to the Company within five days after the Holder receives such notice; *provided*, *however*, that Holders joining in a proposed registration pursuant to this sentence shall not be deemed to have exercised a Demand Registration for purposes of <u>Section 2(b)</u> hereof and such Holders shall be included in such registration on the basis set forth in <u>Section 2(h)</u> hereof. The Company shall not be required to register any Registrable Securities under this <u>Section 2</u> unless the anticipated aggregate offering price to the public for any such offering of the Registrable Securities included in such Demand Notice is expected to be at least \$1 million.

- (b) Number of Demand Registrations. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, Holders shall be entitled to have three Demand Registrations effected. A Demand Registration shall not be deemed to be effected and shall not count as a Demand Registration of any Person (i) if a Registration Statement with respect thereto shall not have become effective under the Securities Act and remained effective (A) for at least 180 days (excluding any Interruption Period or Delay Period) in the case of a Demand Registration that is not on a Form S-3 or other comparable form or (B) for at least two years (excluding any Interruption Period or Delay Period) in the case of a Demand Registration on Form S-3 or other comparable form, or until the completion of the distribution of the Registrable Securities thereunder, whichever is earlier (including, without limitation, because of withdrawal of such Registration Statement by the Holders pursuant to Section 2(f) hereunder), (ii) if, after it has become effective, such registration is interfered with for any reason by any stop order, injunction or other order or requirement of the Commission or any governmental authority, or as a result of the initiation of any proceeding for such stop order by the Commission through no fault of the Holders and the result of such interference is to prevent the Holders from disposing of such Registrable Securities proposed to be sold in accordance with the intended methods of disposition, or (iii) if the conditions to closing specified in the purchase agreement or underwriting agreement entered into in connection with any underwritten offering shall not be satisfied or waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in number of the Registrable Securities to be included in such Demand Registration, other than as a result of any breach by the Holders or any underwriter of its obligations thereunder or hereunder.
- (c) <u>Registration Statement</u>. Subject to paragraph (a) above, as soon as practicable, but in any event within 45 days of the date on which the Company first receives one or more Demand Notices pursuant to <u>Section 2(a)</u> hereof, the Company shall file with the Commission a Registration Statement on the appropriate form for the registration and sale of the total number of Registrable Securities specified in such Demand Notice, together with the number of Registrable Securities requested to be included in the Demand Registration by other Holders, in accordance with the intended method or methods of distribution specified by the Holders in such Demand Notice. The Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause such Registration Statement to be declared effective by the Commission as soon as reasonably practicable.
- (d) Amendments: Supplements. Subject to Section 4(a), upon the occurrence of any event that would cause the Registration Statement (A) to contain a material misstatement or omission or (B) to be not effective and usable for resale of Registrable Securities during the period that such Registration Statement is required to be effective and usable, the Company shall file an amendment to the Registration Statement as soon as reasonably practicable if the Registration Statement is not on Form S-3 or another comparable form and such misstatement or omission is not corrected as soon as reasonably practicable by incorporation by reference, in the case of clause (A), correcting any such misstatement or omission and, in the case of either clause (A) or (B), use its reasonable best efforts to cause such amendment to be declared effective and such Registration Statement to become usable as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.
- (e) <u>Effectiveness</u>. The Company agrees to use its reasonable best efforts to keep any Registration Statement filed pursuant to this <u>Section 2</u> continuously effective and usable for the sale of Registrable Securities until the earlier of (i) (a) in the case of a Demand Registration for delayed or continuous offerings of Registrable Securities filed on Form S-3 or another comparable form, two years after the date on which the Commission declares such

Registration Statement effective (excluding any Interruption Period or Delay Period) or (b) in the case of a Demand Registration that is not on Form S-3 or another comparable form, 180 days from the date on which the Commission declares such Registration Statement effective (excluding any Interruption Period or Delay Period) and (ii) the date on which there are no longer any Registrable Securities.

- (f) <u>Holders Withdrawal</u>. Holders of a majority in number of the Registrable Securities to be included in a Demand Registration pursuant to this <u>Section 2</u> may, at any time prior to the effective date of the Registration Statement in respect thereof, revoke such request by providing a written notice to the Company to such effect.
- (g) Preemption of Demand Registration. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, after receiving a written request for a Demand Registration, the Company may elect to effect an underwritten primary registration in lieu of the Demand Registration if the Company's Board of Directors believes that such primary registration would be in the best interests of the Company. If the Company so elects to effect a primary registration, the Company shall give prompt written notice (which shall be given not later than 20 days after the date of the Demand Notice) to all Holders of its intention to effect such a registration and shall afford the Holders the rights contained in Section 3 with respect to Piggyback Registrations. In the event that the Company so elects to effect a primary registration after receiving a request for a Demand Registration, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to have the Registration Statement declared effective by the Commission as soon as reasonably practicable. In addition, the request for a Demand Registration shall be deemed to have been withdrawn and such primary registration shall not be deemed to be a Demand Registration.
- (h) Priority on Demand Registrations. If a Demand Registration is an underwritten offering and includes securities for sale by the Company, and the managing underwriter (such underwriter to be chosen by Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities included in such registration, subject to the Company's reasonable approval) advises the Company, in writing, that, in its good faith judgment, the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number which can be sold in such offering without materially and adversely affecting the marketability of the offering, then the Company will include in any such registration the maximum number of shares that the managing underwriter advises the Company can be sold in such offering allocated as follows: (i) first, the Registrable Securities requested to be included in such registration by the initiating Holders and securities of other Holders of Registrable Securities and holders of Registrable Securities (as defined in the DB Holdings Registration Rights Agreement), with all such securities to be included on a pro rata basis (or in such other proportion mutually agreed among such Holders) based on the amount of securities requested to be included therein and (ii) second, to the extent that any other securities may be included without exceeding the limitations recommended by the underwriter as aforesaid, the securities that the Company proposes to sell together with such additional securities to be included on a pro rata basis (or in such other proportion mutually agreed upon among the Company and such other holders) based on the amount of securities requested to be included therein. If the initiating Holders are not allowed to register all of the Registrable Securities requested to be included by such Holders because of allocations required by this section, such initiating Holders shall not be deemed to have exercised a Demand Registration for purposes of Section 2(b).

Section 3. Piggvback Registrations.

(a) Right to Piggyback Registrations. Whenever the Company or another party having registration rights proposes that the Company register any of the Company's equity securities under the Securities Act (other than a registration on Form S-4 relating solely to a transaction described in Rule 145 of the Securities Act or a registration on Form S-8 or any successor forms thereto), whether or not for sale for the Company's own account, the Company will give prompt written notice of such proposed filing to all Holders at least 15 days before the anticipated filing date. Such notice shall offer such Holders the opportunity to register such amount of Registrable Securities as they shall request (a "Piggyback Registration"). Subject to Section 3(b) hereof, the Company shall include in each such Piggyback Registration all Registrable Securities with respect to which the Company has received written requests for inclusion therein within 10 days after such notice has been given by the Company to the Holders. If the Registration Statement relating to the Piggyback Registration is for an underwritten offering, such Registrable Securities shall be included in the underwriting on the same terms and conditions as the securities otherwise being sold through the underwriters. Each Holder shall be permitted to withdraw all or part of the Registrable Securities from a Piggyback Registration at any time prior to the effective time of such Piggyback Registration.

(b) Priority on Piggyback Registrations. If a Piggyback Registration is an underwritten offering by or through one or more underwriters of recognized standing and the managing underwriters advise the party or parties initiating such offering in writing (a copy of which writing shall be provided to the Holders) that in their good faith judgment the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number which can be sold in such offering without materially and adversely affecting the marketability of the offering, then any such registration shall include the maximum number of shares that such managing underwriters advise can be sold in such offering allocated as follows: (x) if the Company has initiated such offering, (i) first, the securities the Company proposes to sell, and (ii) second, to the extent that any other securities may be included without exceeding the limitations recommended by the underwriters as aforesaid, (A) the Registrable Securities to be included in such registration by the Holders and the holders of Registrable Securities (as defined in the DB Registration Rights Agreement), with all such additional securities to be included on a pro rata basis (or in such other proportion mutually agreed among the Holders and such other holders), based on the amount of Registrable Securities and other securities requested to be included therein, and then, if additional securities may be included (B) to such additional securities on a pro rata basis (or in such other proportion mutually agreed among them), (y) if a holder of Registrable Securities (as defined in the DB Holdings Registration Rights Agreement) has initiated such offering, (i) first, the securities the holders under the DB Registration Rights Agreement propose to sell together with the securities the Holders of Registrable Securities hereunder propose to sell on a pro rata basis (or in such other proportion mutually agreed upon among such holders and the Holders), based on the amount of securities requested to be included therein and (ii) second, to the extent that any other securities may be included without exceeding the limitations recommended by the underwriters as aforesaid, all such other securities on a pro rata basis (or in such other proportion mutually agreed upon among such other holders) based on the amount of securities requested to be included therein, and (z) if a party other than the Company or a holder under the DB Holdings Registration Rights Agreement initiated such offering, securities proposed to be sold by the Company, and the Registrable Securities to be included in such registration by the Holders, with such additional securities to be included on a pro rata basis (or in such other proportion mutually agreed among the Company, the Holders and such other holders), based on the amount of Registrable Securities and other securities requested to be included therein.

Section 4. Obligations of the Company.

- (a) <u>Delay Period</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall have the right to delay the filing of any Registration Statement otherwise required to be prepared and filed by the Company pursuant to <u>Sections 2 or 3</u>, or to suspend the use of any Registration Statement, for a period not in excess of 60 consecutive calendar days (a "*Delay Period*") if (i) the Board of Directors of the Company by written resolution determines that filing or maintaining the effectiveness of such Registration Statement would have a material adverse effect on the Company or the holders of its capital stock in relation to any material acquisition or disposition, financing or other corporate transaction or (ii) the Board of Directors of the Company by written resolution determines in good faith that the filing of a Registration Statement or maintaining the effectiveness of a current Registration Statement would require disclosure of material information that the Company has a valid business purpose for retaining as confidential at such time. The Company shall not be entitled to exercise a Delay Period more than one time in any 12-month period.
- (b) <u>Registration Procedures</u>. Whenever the Company is required to register Registrable Securities pursuant to <u>Sections 2 or 3</u> hereof, the Company will use its reasonable best efforts to effect the registration to permit the sale of such Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method or methods of disposition thereof, and pursuant thereto the Company will as expeditiously as possible:
- (1) prepare and file with the Commission a Registration Statement with respect to such Registrable Securities as prescribed by <u>Sections 2 or 3</u> on a form available for the sale of the Registrable Securities by the holders thereof in accordance with the intended method or methods of distribution thereof and use its reasonable best efforts to cause each such Registration Statement to become and remain effective within the time periods and otherwise as provided herein;
- (2) prepare and file with the Commission such amendments (including post-effective amendments) to the Registration Statement and such supplements to the Prospectus as may be necessary to keep such Registration Statement effective within the time periods and otherwise as provided herein and to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all securities covered by such Registration Statement until such time as all of such securities have been disposed of in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the seller or sellers thereof set forth in such Registration Statement, except as otherwise expressly provided herein;
- (3) furnish to each selling Holder of Registrable Securities covered by a Registration Statement and to each underwriter, if any, such number of copies of such Registration Statement, each amendment and post-effective amendment thereto, the Prospectus included in such Registration Statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any

supplement to such Prospectus and any other prospectus filed under Rule 424 of the Securities Act), in each case including all exhibits, and such other documents as such Holder may reasonably request in order to facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such Holder or to be disposed of by such underwriter (the Company hereby consenting to the use in accordance with all applicable Law of each such Registration Statement (or amendment or post-effective amendment thereto) and each such Prospectus (or preliminary prospectus or supplement thereto) by each such Holder and the underwriters, if any, in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement or Prospectus);

- (4) use its reasonable best efforts to register or qualify and, if applicable, to cooperate with the selling Holders, the underwriters, if any, and their respective counsel in connection with the registration or qualification (or exemption from such registration or qualification) of, the Registrable Securities for offer and sale under the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as any selling Holder or managing underwriters (if any) shall reasonably request, to keep each such registration or qualification (or exemption therefrom) effective during the period such Registration Statement is required to be kept effective as provided herein and to do any and all other acts or things necessary or advisable to enable the disposition in such jurisdictions of the securities covered by the applicable Registration Statement; provided, however, that the Company will not be required to (i) qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for this paragraph or (ii) consent to general service of process or taxation in any such jurisdiction where it is not so subject;
- (5) cause all such Registrable Securities to be listed or quoted (as the case may be) on each national securities exchange or other securities market on which securities of the same class as the Registrable Securities are then listed or quoted;
- (6) provide a transfer agent and registrar for all such Registrable Securities and a CUSIP number for all such Registrable Securities not later than the effective date of such Registration Statement;
- (7) comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and make available to its security holders an earnings statement satisfying the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 thereunder (or any similar rule promulgated under the Securities Act) no later than 45 days after the end of any 12-month period (or 90 days after the end of any 12-month period if such period is a fiscal year) (or in each case within such extended period of time as may be permitted by the Commission for filing the applicable report with the Commission) (i) commencing at the end of any fiscal quarter in which Registrable Securities are sold to underwriters in an underwritten offering or (ii) if not sold to underwriters in such an offering, commencing on the first day of the first fiscal quarter of the Company after the effective date of a Registration Statement;
- (8) use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any order suspending the effectiveness of a Registration Statement or suspending the qualification (or exemption from qualification) of any of the Registrable Securities included therein for sale in any jurisdiction, and, in the event of the issuance of any stop order suspending the effectiveness

of a Registration Statement, or of any order suspending the qualification of any Registrable Securities included in such Registration Statement for sale in any jurisdiction, the Company will use its reasonable best efforts promptly to obtain the withdrawal of such order at the earliest possible moment;

- (9) obtain "cold comfort" letters and updates thereof (which letters and updates (in form, scope and substance) shall be reasonably satisfactory to the managing underwriters, if any, and the Holders) from the independent certified public accountants of the Company (and, if necessary, any other independent certified public accountants of any subsidiary of the Company or of any business acquired by the Company for which financial statements and financial data are, or are required to be, included in the Registration Statement), addressed to each of the underwriters, if any, and each selling Holder of Registrable Securities, such letters to be in customary form and covering matters of the type customarily covered in "cold comfort" letters in connection with underwritten offerings and such other matters as the underwriters, if any, or the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities being included in the registration may reasonably request;
- (10) obtain opinions of independent counsel to the Company and updates thereof (which counsel and opinions (in form, scope and substance) shall be reasonably satisfactory to the managing underwriters, if any, and the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities being included in the registration), addressed to each selling Holder and each of the underwriters, if any, covering the matters customarily covered in opinions of issuer's counsel requested in underwritten offerings, such as the effectiveness of the Registration Statement and such other matters as may be requested by such counsel and underwriters, if any;
- (11) promptly notify the selling Holders and the managing underwriters, if any, and confirm such notice in writing, when a Prospectus or any supplement or post-effective amendment to such Prospectus has been filed, and, with respect to a Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto, when the same has become effective, (i) of any request by the Commission or any other federal or state governmental authority for amendments or supplements to a Registration Statement or related Prospectus or for additional information, (ii) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of a Registration Statement or of any order preventing or suspending the use of any Prospectus or the initiation of any proceedings by any Person for that purpose, (iii) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification or exemption from qualification of a Registration Statement or any of the Registrable Securities for offer or sale under the securities or blue sky laws of any jurisdiction, or the contemplation, initiation or threatening, of any proceeding for such purpose, and (iv) of the happening of any event or the existence of any facts that make any statement made in such Registration Statement or Prospectus untrue in any material respect or that require the making of any changes in such Registration Statement or Prospectus so that it will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made (in the case of any Prospectus), not misleading (which notice shall be accompanied by an instruction to the selling Holders and the managing underwriters, if any, to suspend the use of the Prospectus until the requisite changes have been made);

- (12) if requested by the managing underwriters, if any, or a Holder of Registrable Securities being sold, promptly incorporate in a prospectus, supplement or post-effective amendment such information as the managing underwriters, if any, and the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities being sold reasonably request to be included therein relating to the sale of the Registrable Securities, including, without limitation, information with respect to the number of shares of Registrable Securities being sold to underwriters, the purchase price being paid therefor by such underwriters and with respect to any other terms of the underwritten offering of the Registrable Securities to be sold in such offering, and make all required filings of such prospectus, supplement or post-effective amendment promptly following notification of the matters to be incorporated in such supplement or post-effective amendment;
- (13) if requested, furnish to each selling Holder of Registrable Securities and the managing underwriter, without charge, at least one signed copy of the Registration Statement;
- (14) as promptly as practicable upon the occurrence of any event contemplated by <u>Section 4(b)(11)(iv)</u> above, prepare a supplement or post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, or any document incorporated therein by reference, or file any other required document so that, as thereafter delivered to the purchasers of the Registrable Securities being sold hereunder, the Prospectus will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or an omission to state a material fact required to be stated in a Registration Statement or Prospectus or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and
- (15) if such offering is an underwritten offering, enter into such agreements (including an underwriting agreement in form, scope and substance as is customary in underwritten offerings) and take all such other appropriate and reasonable actions requested by the Holders owning a majority of the Registrable Securities being sold in connection therewith or by the managing underwriters (including cooperating in reasonable marketing efforts, including in connection with any Demand Registration, participation by senior executives of the Company in any "roadshow" or similar meeting with potential investors) in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities, and in such connection, provide indemnification provisions and procedures substantially to the effect set forth in Section 6 hereof with respect to all parties to be indemnified pursuant to said Section. The above shall be done at each closing under such underwriting or similar agreement, or as and to the extent required thereunder.

Each Holder agrees by acquisition of such Registrable Securities that, upon receipt of written notice from the Company of the happening of any event of the kind described in Section 4(b)(11), such Holder will forthwith discontinue disposition of such Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement until such Holder's receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended Registration Statement contemplated by Section 4(b)(14), or until it is advised in writing by the Company that the use of the applicable Prospectus may be resumed, and has received copies of any additional or supplemental filings that are incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in such prospectus (such period during which disposition is discontinued being an "Interruption Period"), and, if so directed by the Company, such Holder will deliver to the Company all copies of the Prospectus covering such Registrable Securities current at the time of receipt of such notice.

Section 5. Registration Expenses.

- (a) Expenses Payable by the Company. The Company shall bear all expenses incurred with respect to the registration or attempted registration of the Registrable Securities pursuant to Sections 2 or 3 of this Agreement as provided herein. Such expenses shall include, without limitation, (i) all registration, qualification and filing fees (including, without limitation, (A) fees with respect to compliance with the rules and regulation of the Commission, (B) fees with respect to filings required to be made with the national securities exchange or national market system on which the Common Stock is then traded or quoted and (C) fees and expenses of compliance with state securities or blue sky laws (including, without limitation, fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company or the underwriters, or both, in connection with blue sky qualifications of Registrable Securities)), (ii) messenger and delivery expenses, word processing, duplicating and printing expenses (including without limitation, expenses of printing certificates for Registrable Securities in a form eligible for deposit with The Depository Trust Company, printing preliminary prospectuses, prospectuses, prospectus supplements, including those delivered to or for the account of the Holders and provided in this Agreement, and blue sky memoranda), (iii) fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company, (iv) fees and disbursements of all independent certificated public accountants for the Company (including, without limitation, the expense of any "comfort letters" required by or incident to such performance), (v) all out-of-pocket expenses of the Company (including without limitation, expenses incurred by the Company, its officers, directors, and employees performing legal or accounting duties or preparing or participating in "roadshow" presentations or of any public relations, investor relations or other consultants or advisors retained by the Company in connection with any roadshow, including travel and lodging expenses of such roadshows), (vi) fees and expenses incurred in connection with the quotation or listing of shares of Common Stock on any national securities exchange or other securities market, and (vii) reasonable fees and expenses of one firm of counsel for all selling Holders (which shall be chosen by the Holders of a majority of Registrable Securities to be included in such offering).
- (b) Expenses Payable by the Holders. Each Holder shall pay all underwriting discounts and commissions or placement fees of underwriters or broker's commissions incurred in connection with the sale or other disposition of Registrable Securities for or on behalf of such Holder's account.

Section 6. Indemnification.

(a) <u>Indemnification by the Company</u>. The Company agrees to indemnify, to the fullest extent permitted by law, each Holder, each Affiliate of a Holder and each director, officer, employee, manager, stockholder, partner, member, counsel, agent or representative of such Holder and its Affiliates and each Person who controls any such Person (within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act) (collectively, "*Holder Indemnified Parties*") against, and hold it and them harmless from, all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, actions, proceedings, costs (including, without limitation, costs of preparation and attorneys' fees and disbursements) and expenses, including expenses of investigation and amounts paid in settlement (collectively, "*Losses*") arising out of, caused by or based upon any untrue or alleged untrue statement of material fact contained in any Registration Statement, or any omission or alleged omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or

necessary to make the statements therein not misleading (a "Misstatement/Omission"), or any violation or alleged violation by the Company of the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, any state securities law, or any rule or regulation promulgated under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or any state securities law, except that the Company shall not be liable insofar as such Misstatement/Omission or violation is made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by such Holder expressly for use therein; provided, further, that the Company shall not be liable for a Holder's failure to deliver or cause to be delivered (to the extent such delivery is required under the Securities Act) the Prospectus contained in the Registration Statement, furnished to it by the Company on a timely basis at or prior to the time such action is required by the Securities Act to the person claiming a Misstatement/Omission if such Misstatement/Omission was corrected in such Prospectus. In connection with an underwritten offering, the Company will indemnify such underwriters, selling brokers, dealer managers and similar securities industry professionals participating in the distribution, their officers and directors and each Person who controls such underwriters (within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act) to the same extent as provided above with respect to the indemnification of the Holders. This indemnity shall be in addition to any other indemnification arrangements to which the Company may otherwise be party.

- (b) Indemnification by the Holders. In connection with any Registration Statement in which a Holder is participating, each such Holder agrees to indemnify, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company and each director and officer of the Company and each Person who controls the Company (within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act) against, and hold it harmless from, any Losses arising out of or based upon (i) any Misstatement/Omission contained in the Registration Statement, if and to the extent that such Misstatement/Omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing by such Holder for use therein, or (ii) the failure by such Holder to deliver or cause to be delivered (to the extent such delivery is required under the Securities Act) the Prospectus contained in the Registration Statement, furnished to it by the Company on a timely basis at or prior to the time such action is required by the Securities Act to the person claiming a Misstatement/Omission if such Misstatement/Omission was corrected in such Prospectus. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the obligation to indemnify will be individual (several and not joint) to each Holder and will be limited to the net amount of proceeds (net of payment of all expenses) received by such Holder from the sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to such Registration Statement giving rise to such indemnification obligation.
- (c) Conduct of Indemnification Proceedings. In case any action, claim or proceeding shall be brought against any Person entitled to indemnification hereunder, such indemnified party shall promptly notify each indemnifying party in writing, and such indemnifying party shall assume the defense thereof, including the employment of one counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party and payment of all fees and expenses incurred in connection with the defense thereof. The failure to so notify such indemnifying party shall relieve such indemnifying party of its indemnification obligations to such indemnified party to the extent that such failure to notify materially prejudiced such indemnifying party but not from any liability that it or they may have to the indemnified party for contribution or otherwise. Each indemnified party shall have the right to employ separate counsel in such action, claim or proceeding and participate in the defense thereof, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall

be at the expense of each indemnified party unless: (i) such indemnifying party has agreed to pay such expenses; (ii) such indemnifying party has failed promptly to assume the defense and employ counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party; or (iii) the named parties to any such action, claim or proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both such indemnified party and such indemnifying party or an Affiliate or controlling person of such indemnifying party, and such indemnified party shall have been advised in writing by counsel that either (x) there may be one or more legal defenses available to it which are different from or in addition to those available to such indemnifying party or such Affiliate or controlling person or (y) a conflict of interest may exist if such counsel represents such indemnified party and such indemnifying party or its Affiliate or controlling person; *provided, however*, that such indemnifying party shall not, in connection with any one such action or proceeding or separate but substantially similar or related actions or proceedings in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances, be responsible hereunder for the fees and expenses of more than one separate firm of attorneys (in addition to any local counsel), which counsel shall be designated by such indemnified party or, in the event that such indemnified party is a Holder Indemnified Party, by the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities included in the subject Registration Statement.

No indemnifying party shall be liable for any settlement effected without its written consent (which consent may not be unreasonably delayed or withheld). Each indemnifying party agrees that it will not, without the indemnified party's prior written consent, consent to entry of any judgment or settle or compromise any pending or threatened claim, action or proceeding in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder unless the foregoing contains an unconditional release, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified parties, of the indemnified parties from all liability and obligation arising therefrom. The indemnifying party's liability to any such indemnified party hereunder shall not be extinguished solely because any other indemnified party is not entitled to indemnity hereunder.

- (d) <u>Survival</u>. The indemnification provided for under this Agreement will (i) remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of the indemnified party or any officer, director or controlling Person of such indemnified party, (ii) survive the transfer of securities and (iii) survive the termination of this Agreement.
- (e) Right to Contribution. If the indemnification provided for in this Section 6 is unavailable to, or insufficient to hold harmless, an indemnified party under Section 6(a) or Section 6(b) above in respect of any Losses referred to in such Sections, then each applicable indemnifying party shall have an obligation to contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such Losses in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and of the Holder, on the other, in connection with the Misstatement/Omission or violation which resulted in such Losses, taking into account any other relevant equitable considerations. The amount paid or payable by a party as a result of the Losses referred to above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6(c) above, any legal or other fees or expenses reasonably incurred by such party in connection with any investigation, lawsuit or legal or administrative action or proceeding.

The relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and of the Holder, on the other, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the relevant Misstatement/Omission or violation relates to information supplied by the Company or by the Holder and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such Misstatement/Omission or violation.

The Company and each Holder agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this <u>Section 6(e)</u> were determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above. Notwithstanding the provisions of this <u>Section 6(e)</u>, a Holder shall not be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which (i) the amount (net of payment of all expenses) at which the securities that were sold by such Holder and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds (ii) the amount of any damages which such Holder has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such Misstatement/Omission or violation.

No Person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.

Section 7. **Rules 144 and 144A.** The Company shall timely file the reports required to be filed by it under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act (including but not limited to the reports under Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act referred to in subparagraph (c) of Rule 144 adopted by the Commission under the Securities Act) and the rules and regulations adopted by the Commission thereunder (or, if the Company is not required to file such reports, it will, upon the request of any Holder, make publicly available other information) and will take such further action as any Holder may reasonably request, all to the extent required from time to time to enable such Holder to sell Registrable Securities without registration under the Securities Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by (a) Rule 144 and Rule 144A under the Securities Act, as such Rules may be amended from time to time, or (b) any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission.

Section 8. Underwritten Registrations.

- (a) No Person may participate in any registration hereunder which is underwritten unless such Person (i) agrees to sell such Person's securities on the basis provided in any underwriting arrangements approved by the Person or Persons entitled hereunder to approve such arrangements and (ii) completes and executes all questionnaires, powers of attorney, customary indemnities, underwriting agreements and other documents required under the terms of such underwriting arrangements; provided, that, no Holder included in any underwritten registration shall be required to make any representations or warranties to the Company or the underwriters other than representations and warranties regarding such Holder and such Holder's intended method of distribution.
- (b) If any of the Registrable Securities covered by any Registration Statement are to be sold in an underwritten offering, the investment banker or investment bankers and manager or managers that will manage the offering will be selected by, and the underwriting arrangements with respect thereto will be approved by, the Company; *provided*, *however*, that such investment bankers and managers and underwriting arrangements must be reasonably satisfactory to the Holders of the majority of Registrable Securities to be included in such offering.

Section 9. **Covenants of Holders.** Each of the Holders hereby agrees (a) to cooperate with the Company and to furnish to the Company all such information regarding such Holder, its ownership of Registrable Securities and the disposition of such securities in connection with the preparation of the Registration Statement and any filings with any state securities commissions as the Company may reasonably request, (b) to the extent required by the Securities Act, to deliver or cause delivery of the Prospectus contained in the Registration Statement, any amendment or supplement thereto, to any purchaser of the Registrable Securities covered by the Registration Statement from the Holder and (c) if requested by the Company, to notify the Company of any sale of Registrable Securities by such Holder.

Section 10. Board and Information Rights

- (a) <u>Board Composition</u>. The parties agree that so long as Gulfport beneficially owns (as defined in Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act ("*Rule 13d-3*")) more than 10% of the then issued and outstanding Common Stock, (i) the business and affairs of the Company shall be managed through a Board consisting of up to seven Directors, of which three Directors shall be Independent Directors and (ii) Gulfport shall have the right to designate one Director ("*Gulfport Director*"). For purposes of this Agreement, in determining the percentage of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Gulfport, only shares of Common Stock then issued and outstanding shall be included in the denominator and any Equity Right that has not then been exercised, converted or exchanged shall be excluded from the denominator regardless of the application of the beneficial ownership rules of Rule 13d-3.
- (b) Company Action to Nominate and Elect the Gulfport Director. Subject to Section 10(g), the Company shall cause the initial Gulfport Director designated in accordance with Section 10(a) to be appointed to the Board prior to the completion of the Common Stock Offering and thereafter to use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Gulfport Director to be nominated for election to the Board at each annual meeting of the Company's stockholders at which directors are to be elected (or by stockholder consents in lieu of a meeting, if applicable), shall solicit proxies (or stockholder consents in lieu of a meeting, if applicable) in favor thereof, and at each annual meeting of the Company's stockholders at which Directors are to be elected, shall recommend that the Company's stockholders elect to the Board each such individual nominated for election at such annual meeting of the Company's stockholders (or stockholder consents in lieu of a meeting, if applicable). So long as Gulfport has the right to designate a Gulfport Director under this Agreement, if for any reason the Gulfport Director is not elected to the Board by the Company's stockholders, Gulfport will be entitled to the Board Advisor rights set forth in Section 10(c).

(c) Board Advisor Rights.

(1) So long as Gulfport has the right to designate a Gulfport Director under this Agreement and there is no Gulfport Director in office, Gulfport shall have the right to appoint one individual as an advisor to the Board (a "Board Advisor"). The Board Advisor shall be entitled to attend meetings of the Board and any meetings of any committee of the Board and

to receive all information provided to the members of the Board and any committee thereof (including minutes of previous meetings of the Board and any committee thereof). The Board Advisor shall advise and counsel the Board on the business and operations of the Company as requested by the Board. The Board Advisor is not, and shall not have the duties and responsibilities of, a Director of the Company, and the terms "director" or "member of the Board" as used in this Agreement shall not be deemed to mean or include the Board Advisor. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Board Advisor shall not be entitled to vote on any matter presented for action by the Board. The Board Advisor may be given such designations (including without limitation "advisory director") as the Board may from time to time determine. For the avoidance of doubt, no Board Advisor shall have fiduciary obligations to the Company or the Company's stockholders, but shall be subject to all applicable securities Laws and to the confidentiality obligations applicable to Gulfport under Section 10(k)(2).

- (2) Gulfport shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to appoint the Board Advisor and to remove the Board Advisor, as well as the right, in its sole discretion, to fill vacancies created by reason of the death, removal or resignation thereof. Gulfport shall have the right at any time to remove (with or without cause) the Board Advisor. In the event there is a vacancy in the Board Advisor position at any time and for any reason (whether as a result of death, disability, retirement, resignation or removal of the Board Advisor), Gulfport shall have the right to designate a different individual to replace such Board Advisor.
- (d) <u>Gulfport Designation</u>, <u>Removal and Vacancies</u>. In the event a vacancy is created on the Board of the Gulfport Director at any time that Gulfport has the right to designate a Gulfport Director under this Agreement (whether as a result of death, disability, retirement, resignation, removal or otherwise), Gulfport shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to designate a different individual to replace such Gulfport Director and the Company shall nominate such Gulfport Director for election to the Board as provided in <u>Section 10(b)</u>.
- (e) <u>Committees</u>. For so long as Gulfport has the right to designate a Gulfport Director, any committee composed of Directors shall consist of at least one Gulfport Director provided that such Gulfport Director is "independent" and otherwise satisfies all requirements under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and the Marketplace Rules to serve on such committee.
- (f) <u>Election Not to Exercise Designation Rights</u>. Notwithstanding anything in <u>Section 10</u> to the contrary, this <u>Section 10</u> confers upon Gulfport the right, but not the obligation, to designate the Gulfport Director, and Gulfport may, at its option, elect not to exercise any such right to designate the Gulfport Director.
- (g) <u>Qualifications and Information</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, each nominee for election to the Board designated by Gulfport shall, in the reasonable judgment of the Board, (A) have the requisite skill and experience to serve as a director of a publicly traded company, and (B) not be prohibited or disqualified from serving as a director of the Company pursuant to the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and the Marketplace Rules or by applicable Law. The Board may adopt additional standards of skill and experience desired of potential candidates for nomination to the Board of Directors, which will be reflected in a charter of a committee of the Board or other similar document.

Gulfport shall timely provide the Company with accurate and complete information relating to its designee that may be required to be disclosed by the Company under the Exchange Act. In addition, at the Company's request, Gulfport shall cause its designee to complete and execute the Company's standard Director and Officer Questionnaire prior to being admitted to the Board or any committee thereof or standing for reelection at an annual meeting of the Company's stockholders or at such other time as may be requested by the Company.

- (h) <u>Director Insurance and Indemnification</u>. The Company will obtain and maintain directors' liability insurance and will at all times exercise the powers granted to it by its Organizational Documents, and by applicable Law to indemnify and hold harmless to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law present or former directors and officers of the Company against any threatened or actual claim, action, suit, proceeding or investigation made against them arising from their service in such capacities (or service in such capacities for another enterprise at the request of the Company).
- (i) <u>Expenses of Directors</u>. The Company will promptly reimburse the Gulfport Director or Board Advisor, to the extent not an employee of the Company, for all of his or her reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in attending each meeting of the Board or any committee thereof consistent with the Company's policies.
- (j) <u>Information Rights</u>. In addition to, and without limiting any rights that Gulfport may have with respect to inspection of the books and records of the Company under applicable Laws, the Company shall furnish to Gulfport, the following information, so long as Gulfport owns shares of Common Stock:
- (1) <u>Annual Reports</u>. As soon as available, and in any event within 50 days after the end of each Fiscal Year, the audited balance sheet of the Company as at the end of each such Fiscal Year and the audited statements of income, cash flows and changes in stockholders' equity for such year, accompanied by the certification of independent certified public accountants of recognized national standing selected by the Board, to the effect that, except as set forth therein, such financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP, applied on a basis consistent with prior years and fairly present in all material respects the financial condition of the Company as of the dates thereof and the results of its operations and changes in its cash flows and stockholders' equity for the periods covered thereby.
- (2) <u>Quarterly Reports</u>. As soon as available, and in any event within 30 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, the balance sheet of the Company at the end of such quarter and the statements of income, cash flows and changes in stockholders' equity for such quarter, all in reasonable detail and all prepared in accordance with GAAP, consistently applied, and certified by the Chief Financial Officer of the Company.
- (3) <u>Information Required as a Result of Stockholder's Filing Status</u>. The Company acknowledges that Stockholder is a Large Accelerated Filer and agrees to cooperate, provide sufficient access and provide all information necessary for Stockholder to satisfy its financial reporting and Exchange Act reporting obligations as a Large Accelerated Filer. In accordance therewith, upon a request in writing by Stockholder that it requires certain financial information related to the Company in connection with Stockholder's filing obligations

under the Exchange Act, including, but not limited a request for the information included in or described in the annual or quarterly reports set forth in Sections 10(j)(1) and 10(j)(2) as well as supporting information and schedules, the Company shall respond with such requested information in a timely manner, but in any event no less than five (5) business days from receipt of the written request with the information requested. If for any reason the Company does not have the requested information available to it, it will respond to the Stockholder in writing within two (2) business days from receipt of the written request specifying the reasons for unavailability of the information and a date upon which it believes the information will be available. When such requested information becomes available, the Company shall promptly send it to the Stockholder. In addition, in the event that Stockholder's financial reporting and Exchange Act reporting obligations require it to audit or perform other accounting or review procedures with respect to the Company's financials or any information included therein, the Company shall, and shall cause its officers, Directors and employees to afford Stockholder and its representatives, during normal business hours and upon reasonable notice, access at all reasonable times to its officers, employees, auditors, properties, offices, plants and other facilities and to all books and records, necessary to perform any such audit or other accounting or review procedures. Such access and information shall be provided within the time period reasonably necessary to allow Stockholder to conduct and complete its audit in a timely fashion and to timely include compliant financials in its Exchange Act reports and to timely file its Exchange Act reports.

(k) Inspection Rights.

(1) The Company shall, and shall cause its officers, Directors and employees to afford Gulfport. for so long as Gulfport has the right to designate a Gulfport Director or has Board Advisor rights pursuant to Section 10(c), the opportunity to consult with its officers from time to time regarding the Company's affairs, finances and accounts as Gulfport may reasonably request upon reasonable notice. The right set forth in this Section 10(k) shall not, and is not intended to, limit any rights which Gulfport may have with respect to the books and records of the Company, or to inspect its properties or discuss its affairs, finances and accounts under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Company is incorporated.

(2) Gulfport agrees that it will keep confidential and will not disclose, divulge or use for any purpose, other than to monitor its investment in the Company, any confidential information obtained from the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, unless such confidential information (A) is known or becomes known to the public in general (other than as a result of a breach of this Section 10(k)(2) by Gulfport), (B) is or has been independently developed or conceived by the Gulfport without use of the Company's confidential information or (C) is or has been made known or disclosed to Gulfport by a third party without a breach of any obligation of confidentiality such third party may have to the Company; provided, however, that Gulfport may disclose confidential information (a) to its attorneys, accountants, consultants, and other professionals to the extent needed for their services in connection with monitoring its investment in the Company, (b) to any officer, director or employees of Gulfport in the ordinary course of business, or (c) as may otherwise be required by law, provided that Gulfport takes reasonable steps to minimize the extent of any such required disclosure and subject, in the case of clauses (a) and (b) to each recipient's obligation to maintain the confidentiality of that information as if such recipient was a party hereto.

(3) The Company acknowledges that Gulfport is in the oil and gas business and therefore is always reviewing information of many oil and gas companies and properties which compete directly or indirectly with those of the Company. Subject to its agreement to only use confidential information to monitor its investment in the Company, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude or in any way restrict Gulfport from investing or participating in any particular enterprise whether or not such enterprise has products or services which compete with those of the Company.

Section 11. Miscellaneous.

- (a) No Inconsistent Agreements. The Company will not hereafter enter into any agreement with respect to its securities that is inconsistent with, adversely effects or violates the rights granted to the Holders in this Agreement; it being understood that the granting of additional demand or piggyback registration rights with respect to capital stock of the Company shall not be deemed adverse to the rights granted to Holders hereunder so long as they do not (x) reduce, except as set forth in this Agreement, the amount of Registrable Securities that any Holder may include in any registration contemplated in this Agreement or (y) restrict or otherwise limit the exercise by any Holder of its rights hereunder.
- (b) Remedies. Any Person having rights under any provision of this Agreement will be entitled to enforce such rights specifically to recover damages caused by reason of any breach of any provision of this Agreement and to exercise all other rights granted by law. The parties hereto agree and acknowledge that money damages may not be an adequate remedy for any breach of the provisions of this Agreement and hereby agree to waive the defense in any action for specific performance or injunctive relief that a remedy at law would be adequate. Accordingly, any party may in its sole discretion apply to any court of law or equity of competent jurisdiction (without posting any bond or other security) for specific performance and for other injunctive relief in order to enforce or prevent violation of the provisions of this Agreement.
- (c) <u>Amendments and Waivers</u>. This Agreement contains the entire understanding of the parties with respect to its subject matter and supersedes any and all prior agreements, and neither it nor any part of it may in any way be altered, amended, extended, waived, discharged or terminated except by a written agreement that specifically references this Agreement and the provisions to be so altered, amended, extended, waived, discharged or terminated is signed by each of the parties hereto and specifically states that it is intended to alter, amend, extend, waive, discharge or terminate this agreement or a provision hereof.
- (d) <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. Except for the Board and information rights contained in <u>Section 10</u> (which rights are non-transferable), the Holders may assign all rights under this Agreement; provided, however, that no Holder may transfer or assign its rights hereunder unless such transferring Holder shall, prior to any such transfer, obtain from the transferee a joinder agreement in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Company and deliver a copy of such joinder agreement to the Company and to the Holders. Only persons (other than the Stockholder hereto) that execute a joinder agreement shall be deemed to be Holders. The Company shall be given written notice by the transferring Holder at the time of the transfer stating the name and address of the transferee and identifying the Registrable Securities transferred, provided, that, failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such transfer or assignment.

- (e) <u>Severability</u>. In the event that any one or more of the provisions contained herein, or the application thereof in any circumstances, is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect for any reason, the validity, legality and enforceability of any such provision in every other respect and of the remaining provisions hereof shall not be in any way impaired or affected, it being intended that the rights and privileges of the parties hereto shall be enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- (f) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, any one of which need not contain the signatures of more than one party, but each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.
- (g) <u>Descriptive Headings: Interpretation</u>. The descriptive headings of this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof. The use of the word "including" in this Agreement shall be by way of example rather than by limitation.
- (h) <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests and other communications provided for or permitted to be given under this Agreement must be in writing and shall be given by personal delivery, by certified or registered United States mail (postage prepaid, return receipt requested), by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service for next day delivery, or by facsimile transmission, as follows (or to such other address as any party may give in a notice given in accordance with the provisions hereof):

If to the Company:

Diamondback Energy, Inc. 14301 Caliber Drive, Suite 300 Oklahoma City, OK 73134 Attention: General Counsel Facsimile: (405) 463-6982

If to the Stockholder:

Gulfport Energy Corporation 4313 N. May Avenue, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, OK 73134 Attention: Chief Financial Officer Facsimile: (405) 848-8816

All notices, requests or other communications will be effective and deemed given only as follows: (i) if given by personal delivery, upon such personal delivery, (ii) if sent by certified or registered mail, on the fifth business day after being deposited in the United States mail, (iii) if

sent for next day delivery by overnight delivery service, on the date of delivery as confirmed by written confirmation of delivery, (iv) if sent by facsimile, upon the transmitter's confirmation of receipt of such facsimile transmission, except that if such confirmation is received after 5:00 p.m. (in the recipient's time zone) on a business day, or is received on a day that is not a business day, then such notice, request or communication will not be deemed effective or given until the next succeeding business day. Notices, requests and other communications sent in any other manner, including by electronic mail, will not be effective.

(i) GOVERNING LAW; SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE MADE IN AND IN ALL RESPECTS SHALL BE INTERPRETED, CONSTRUED AND GOVERNED BY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CONFLICT OF LAW PRINCIPLES THEREOF. The parties hereby irrevocably submit to the jurisdiction of any federal court located in the State of Delaware or any Delaware state court solely in respect of the interpretation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement, and in respect of the transactions contemplated hereby, and hereby waive, and agree not to assert, as a defense in any action, suit or proceeding for the interpretation or enforcement hereof that it is not subject thereto or that such action, suit or proceeding may not be brought or is not maintainable in said courts or that the venue thereof may not be appropriate or that this Agreement or any such document may not be enforced in or by such courts, and the parties hereto irrevocably agree that all claims with respect to such action or proceeding shall be heard and determined in such a Delaware state or federal court. The parties hereby consent to and grant any such court jurisdiction over the person of such parties and over the subject matter of such dispute and agree that mailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding in the manner provided in the Section on notices above or in such other manner as may be permitted by law shall be valid and sufficient service thereof.

EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY WHICH MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES, AND THEREFORE EACH SUCH PARTY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT SUCH PARTY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT. EACH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (I) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER, (II) EACH PARTY UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS WAIVER, (III) EACH PARTY MAKES THIS WAIVER VOLUNTARILY, AND (IV) EACH PARTY HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

(j) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement is intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement and intended to be a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to such subject matter.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have or have caused this Investor Rights Agreement to be duly executed as of the date first above written

THE COMPANY:

DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

By: /s/ Randall J. Holder
Name: Randall J. Holder

Title: Vice President

THE STOCKHOLDER:

GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION

By: /s/ Michael G. Moore

Name: Michael G. Moore

Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Signature Page to Investor Rights Agreement



Press Release

Gulfport Energy Corporation Completes Offering of \$250 Million of Senior Notes Due 2020

OKLAHOMA CITY (October 17, 2012)—Gulfport Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: GPOR) ("Gulfport") today announced that it has completed an offering of \$250 million aggregate principal amount of its 7.750% Senior Notes Due 2020 (the "Notes") at an issue price of 98.534% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes. The Notes will mature on November 1, 2020, unless redeemed in accordance with their terms prior to such date. The Notes were offered to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and to certain non-U.S. persons in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act. The offering of the Notes closed on October 17, 2012. On the closing date, Gulfport repaid outstanding indebtedness under its senior secured revolving credit facility with a portion of the net proceeds of the offering. Gulfport intends to use the remaining net proceeds for general corporate purposes, including the funding of a portion of its 2012 and 2013 capital development plans.

The Notes are general unsecured senior obligations of Gulfport, are guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by certain of Gulfport's subsidiaries and pay interest semi-annually.

The Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from such registration requirements.

This announcement is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy any of these securities and shall not constitute an offer, solicitation or sale in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale is unlawful.

About Gulfport

Gulfport Energy Corporation is an Oklahoma City-based independent oil and natural gas exploration and production company with its principal producing properties located along the Louisiana Gulf Coast. Gulfport has also acquired acreage positions in the Utica Shale of Eastern Ohio and the Niobrara Formation of Western Colorado. In addition, Gulfport holds a sizeable acreage position in the Alberta Oil Sands in Canada through its interest in Grizzly Oil Sands ULC.

Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements included in this press release are intended as "forward-looking statements." These statements include assumptions, expectations, predictions, intentions or beliefs about future events, particularly the consummation of the transaction described above. Gulfport cautions that actual future results may vary materially from those expressed or implied in any

forward-looking statements. Specifically, Gulfport cannot assure you that the proposed transaction described above will be consummated on the terms Gulfport currently contemplates, if at all. Information concerning these and other factors can be found in Gulfport's filings with the SEC, including its Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K, which can be obtained free of charge on the SEC's web site at http://www.sec.gov.

Any forward-looking statements made in this press release speak only as of the date of this release and, except as required by law, Gulfport undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement contained in this press release, even if Gulfport's expectations or any related events, conditions or circumstances change. Gulfport is not responsible for any changes made to this release by wire or Internet services.

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Press Release

Gulfport Energy Announces Contribution of Permian Basin Assets

OKLAHOMA CITY (October 12, 2012) Gulfport Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: GPOR) today announced it has completed the contribution of all of its oil and gas interests in the Permian Basin to Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("Diamondback").

In May 2012, Gulfport Energy Corporation ("Gulfport") announced that it had entered into a contribution agreement with Diamondback, in which Gulfport agreed to contribute, prior to the closing of Diamondback's initial public offering, all of Gulfport's oil and natural gas interests in the Permian Basin in exchange for (i) common stock representing 35% of Diamondback's outstanding common stock immediately prior to the closing of its initial public offering and (ii) approximately \$63.6 million in the form of a promissory note to be paid to Gulfport upon closing of such offering. Gulfport's obligation to complete the proposed contribution was subject to various closing conditions, including Gulfport's satisfaction with the terms of the Diamondback offering. Diamondback today announced the pricing of its initial public offering at a public offering price of \$17.50 per share. The terms of the Diamondback offering were determined to be satisfactory to Gulfport by a special committee of its Board of Directors and the contribution transaction was completed on October 11, 2012. Diamondback issued Gulfport (i) 7,914,036 shares of Diamondback common stock and (ii) a promissory note for \$63.6 million, which will be paid to Gulfport at the closing of the offering. The closing is expected to occur on or about October 17, 2012. This aggregate consideration is subject to a post-closing cash adjustment. If the contribution transaction had closed on September 30, 2012, based on preliminary estimates Diamondback believes it would have owed Gulfport approximately \$16.0 million for this post-closing adjustment. However, the actual amount due based on the October 11, 2012 closing date has not been determined, and the actual amount may vary materially from the estimated amount on September 30, 2012.

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