TCEQ Interoffice Memorandum

TO: Office of the Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

THRU: Chris Kozlowski, Team Leader

Water Rights Permitting Team

FROM: Natalia Ponebshek, Project Manager

Water Rights Permitting Team

DATE: January 17, 2025

SUBJECT: Blackfin Pipeline, LLC

WRTP 14031

CN606266211, RN112067814

Application No. 14031 for a Temporary Water Use Permit Texas Water Code § 11.138, Requiring Limited Mailed Notice

West Fork San Jacinto River, San Jacinto River Basin

Montgomery County

The application and partial fees were received on October 16, 2024. Additional information was received on December 17 and 18, 2024, and additional fees were received on January 9, 2025. The application was declared administratively complete and accepted for filing with the Office of the Chief Clerk on January 17, 2025. Limited mailed notice to downstream water right holders of record in the San Jacinto River Basin is required pursuant to Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 295.154.

All fees have been paid and the application is sufficient for filing.

Natalia Ponebskek

Natalia Ponebshek, Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team

Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section

OCC Mailed Notice Required **△YES** □NO

Brooke T. Paup, *Chairwoman*Bobby Janecka, *Commissioner*Catarina R. Gonzales, *Commissioner*Kelly Keel, *Executive Director*



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

January 17, 2025

Ms. Leslie Kelton, Senior Project Manager Blackfin Pipeline, LLC 100 Congress Ave., Ste. 2200 Austin, TX 78701-4072 VIA E-MAIL

RE: Blackfin Pipeline, LLC

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West Fork San Jacinto River, San Jacinto River Basin

Montgomery County

Dear Ms. Kelton:

This acknowledges receipt of additional information on December 17 and 18, 2024, and of fees in the amount of \$57.31 (Receipt No. M550787, copy attached) on January 9, 2025.

The application was declared administratively complete and filed with the Office of the Chief Clerk on January 17, 2025. Staff will continue processing the application for consideration by the Executive Director.

Please be advised that additional information may be requested during the technical review phase of the application process.

If you have any questions concerning the application, please contact me via email at Natalia.Ponebshek@tceq.texas.gov or by telephone at (512) 239-4641.

Sincerely,

Natalia Ponebshek, Project Manager

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Water Rights Permitting Team Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section

Attachment



TCEQ - A/R RECEIPT REPORT BY ACCOUNT NUMBER

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Water Availability Division

Natalia Ponebshek

From: Natalia Ponebshek

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2025 3:52 PM

To: Susan Fischer

Cc: Leslie Kelton; Chris Kozlowski; Humberto Galvan

Subject: RE: Blackfin Pipeline LLC, WRTP 14030, 14031, 14032 RFI

Good afternoon,

We received the checks and information provided and are reviewing your response.

Thank you,

Natalia Ponebshek, Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section (512) 239-4641

From: Susan Fischer

Sent: Friday, January 10, 2025 12:28 PM

To: Natalia Ponebshek < Natalia. Ponebshek@tceq.texas.gov>

Cc: Leslie Kelton

Subject: RE: Blackfin Pipeline LLC, WRTP 14030, 14031, 14032 RFI

Good afternoon Natalia,

I just wanted to follow up on these RFIs and make sure you received the checks and the West Fork San Jacinto diversion location verification that we sent before the holiday break. And if there is anything else you need to complete your review please let me know.

Thanks, Susan

Susan Fischer

Project Manager - Environmental

SWCA Environmental Consultants

10245 W. Little York, Suite 600 Houston, Texas 77040 D 346.388.1157 | M 512.659.7013 | F 281.617.3227



From: Natalia Ponebshek <Natalia.Ponebshek@tceq.texas.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 12:48 PM

To: Susan Fischer

Cc: Chris Kozlowski <chris.kozlowski@tceq.texas.gov>; Humberto Galvan@tceq.texas.gov>

Subject: Blackfin Pipeline LLC, WRTP 14030, 14031, 14032 RFI

Susan,

Confirmation of receipt. The attached documents were not included in the original submission.

Thank you,

Natalia Ponebshek, Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section (512) 239-4641

From: Susan Fischer

Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 11:14 AM

To: Natalia Ponebshek < Natalia.Ponebshek@tceq.texas.gov >

Subject: RE: Phone issues

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Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 10:29 AM **To:** Susan Fischer

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Subject: RE: Phone issues

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December 19, 2024

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 MC-160 Austin, TX 78711-3087 (512) 239-4600

Re: Request for Additional Information - WRTP 14030, 14031, 14032

Blackfin Pipeline, LLC Blackfin Pipeline

Austin, Waller, Montgomery, and Liberty Counties Texas

Dear Natalia Ponebshek,

On December 16, 2024, Blackfin Pipeline, LLC (Blackfin) received your requests for information regarding three Temporary Water Rights Permit Applications (Nos. 14030, 14031, and 14032). On behalf of Blackfin, SWCA Environmental Consultants (SWCA), submitted written evidence on December 17, 2024 that Leslie Kelton is authorized to sign the applications for Blackfin, and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) confirmed receipt same day. On December 18, 2024, SWCA confirmed the coordinates for WRTP 14031 Diversion Point 2 to be Latitude 30.269456°N, Longitude 95.494583°W, as calculated by TCEQ. And to satisfy the last request, please find enclosed three supplemental payment checks to cover the additional Use Fees and Notice Fees.

Should you have questions or require additional information/coordination please contact me at 720-556-2820 (email and the contact me at 720-556-2820).

Sincerely,

Leslie Kelton

Senior Project Manager Blackfin Pipeline, LLC

Leslie Kelton

Attachments: Payment Checks (x 3)

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Water Availability Division

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From: Susan Fischer <

Sent: Wednesday, December 18, 2024 12:06 PM

To: Natalia Ponebshek

Cc: Chris Kozlowski; Humberto Galvan; Leslie Kelton

Subject: RE: Blackfin Pipeline LLC, WRTP 14030, 14031, 14032 RFI

Hi Natalia,

Thank you for the confirmation. I will get the checks sent out shortly, and regarding the Diversion Point 2 coordinates for Application 14031, we are good with the TCEQ calculated coordinates you sent (Latitude 30.269456 °N, Longitude 95.494583 °W).

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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT

COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION OF "BLACKFIN PIPELINE,

LLC", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D.

2023, AT 12:03 O'CLOCK P.M.



7213310 8100 SR# 20230463931 Authentication: 202688029

Date: 02-10-23

CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION

OF

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC

February 10, 2023

This Certificate of Formation of Blackfin Pipeline, LLC (the "Company") is being executed by the undersigned for the purpose of forming a limited liability company under the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, Del. Code, tit. 6, Section 18-101 *et seq.*, as amended from time to time (the "Act").

- 1. Name. The name of the limited liability company formed hereby is "Blackfin Pipeline, LLC".
- <u>2.</u> Registered Office. The address of the registered office of the Company in the State of Delaware is c/o Cogency Global Inc., 850 New Burton Road, Suite 201, Dover, Delaware 19904.
- 3. Registered Agent. The name and address of the registered agent for service of process on the Company in the State of Delaware is Cogency Global Inc., 850 New Burton Road, Suite 201, Dover, Delaware 19904.

[Signature Page Follows]

LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Blackfin"), whose address is 100 Congress Avenue, Suite 2200, Austin, Texas 78701, does hereby make, constitute and appoint for a term commencing on October 6, 2023 and expiring on April 30, 2025, unless earlier terminated by Blackfin or as provided by law, Leslie Kelton, its true and lawful attorney for it and in its name and on its behalf to execute, acknowledge and deliver any contract, agreement, assignment, lease, offer to lease, application, conveyance of real property or any other instrument similar to any of the preceding that such attorney-in-fact may deem necessary or proper, in each case, with respect to the acquisition of permits and real property rights on behalf of Blackfin. The said attorney-in-fact is empowered to execute, acknowledge and deliver any such instruments as fully as if special authority had been granted in each particular case by the undersigned.

Executed this day of October 2023, but effective for all purposes as set forth above.

Name: Glenn Kellison

Title: Senior Vice President, Blackfin Pipeline,

LLC

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TRAVIS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this Uday of October, 2023, by Glenn Kellison as Senior Vice President of Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, on behalf of said corporation.

THAO THANH NGUYEN Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 10-22-2023 Notary ID 130416209

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Natalia Ponebshek

From: Natalia Ponebshek

Sent: Monday, December 16, 2024 5:34 PM

To:

Cc:Chris Kozlowski; Humberto GalvanSubject:Blackfin Pipeline LLC, WRTP 14031 RFI

Attachments: Blackfin_Pipeline_LLC_14031_RFI 1_Sent_12.16.2024.pdf

Good afternoon,

Please find the attached request for information for the abovementioned application. A response is due by January 15, 2025. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this request.

Thank you,

Natalia Ponebshek, Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section (512) 239-4641 Jon Niermann, *Chairman*Bobby Janecka, *Commissioner*Catarina R. Gonzales, *Commissioner*Kelly Keel, *Executive Director*



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

December 16, 2024

Ms. Leslie Kelton, Project Manager Blackfin Pipeline, LLC 100 Congress Ave., Ste. 2200 Austin, TX 78701-4072

VIA E-MAIL

RE: Blackfin Pipeline, LLC

WRTP 14031

CN606266211, RN112067814

Application No. 14031 for a Temporary Water Use Permit Texas Water Code § 11.138, Requiring Limited Mailed Notice West Fork San Jacinto River, San Jacinto River Basin

Montgomery County

Dear Ms. Kelton:

This acknowledges receipt, on October 16, 2024, of the referenced application and fees in the amount of \$251.25 (Receipt No. M541352, copy attached).

Additional information and fees are required before the application can be declared administratively complete.

- 1. Confirm the coordinates of Diversion Point 2. The point does not appear to plot on the bank of the river. Staff has calculated the coordinates to be Latitude 30.269456 °N, Longitude 95.494583 °W.
- 2. Provide written evidence that Leslie Kelton is authorized to sign the application for Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, pursuant to Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 295.14(5) which states:

If the applicant is a corporation, public district, county, municipality or other corporate entity, the application shall be signed by a duly authorized official. Written evidence in the form of by-laws, charters, or resolutions which specify the authority of the official to take such action shall be submitted. A corporation may file a corporate affidavit as evidence of the official's authority to sign.

3. Remit fees in the amount of \$57.31 as described below. Please make check payable to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality or the TCEQ.

Filing Fee (WRTP ≥ 10 acre-feet)	\$ 250.00
Recording Fee	\$ 1.25
Use Fee (\$1.00 per acre-foot x 46.03 acre-feet)	\$ 46.03
Notice Fee (\$0.94 x 12 WR Holders)	\$ 11.28
TOTAL FEES	\$ 308.56
FEES RECEIVED	\$ 251.25
TOTAL FEES DUE	\$ 57.31

Ms. Leslie Kelton Application No. 14031 December 16, 2024 Page 2 of 2

Please provide the requested information and fees by January 15, 2025, or the application may be returned pursuant to Title 30 TAC \S 281.18.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me via e-mail at Natalia.Ponebshek@tceq.texas.gov or by telephone at (512) 239-4641.

Sincerely,

Natalia Ponebshek

Natalia Ponebshek, Project Manager Water Rights Permitting Team Water Rights Permitting and Availability Section

Attachment



Basis2 Receipt Report by Endorsement Number

NOV-15-24 04:27 PM

Acct. #: EMG
Paid For
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Account Name: TEMPORARY/EMERGENCY WTR USE PERMIT ISSUE

Endors. # Ref #2 Paid In By PayTyp Chk # Card# Bank Slip Tran.Date Receipt Amnt. M541352 60121 BS00111413 \$251.25 SWCA INC CK 15-OCT-24

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

P.O. Box 13087 MC-160, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 Telephone (512) 239-4600, FAX (512) 239-4770

APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY WATER USE PERMIT FOR MORE THAN 10 ACRE-FEET OF WATER, AND/OR FOR A DIVERSION PERIOD LONGER THAN ONE CALENDAR YEAR

This form is for an application for a temporary permit to divert water under Section 11.138, Texas Water Code. Any permit granted from this application may be suspended <u>at any time</u> by the applicable TCEQ Office if it is determined that surplus water is no longer available.

Notice: This form will not be processed until all delinquent fees and/or penalties owed to the TCEQ or the Office of the Attorney General on behalf of the TCEQ are paid in accordance with the Delinquent Fee and Penalty Protocol.

A.	. Name: Bla	ickim Pipeline, LLC						
В.	. Mailing Ad	ddress: 100 Congress A	venue, Suite 2200	, Austin, Texas 787	01		6/9	6
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Form TCEQ-10202 (revised 3/2010)

October 8, 2024

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 MC-160 Austin, TX 78711-3087 (512) 239-4600

Re:

Request for Temporary Water Use Permit, Up to 46.03 Acre-Feet

Blackfin Pipeline, LLC Blackfin Pipeline

Montgomery County, Texas

Dear Texas Commission on Environmental Quality:

Blackfin Pipeline, LLC (Blackfin) requests permission to withdraw water from the West Fork San Jacinto River in Montgomery County, Texas to hydrostatically test the Blackfin Pipeline. Specifically, Blackfin proposes to withdraw up to 46.03 acre-feet (15,000,000 gallons) of water between the east bank diversion (30.269504°, -95.494178°) and west bank diversion (30.269600°, -95.494583°) to conduct hydrostatic testing of new steel, 48-inch-diameter pipe, for a period of less than three years. Subsequent to completion of hydrostatic testing, it is assumed that all diverted water will be returned to the West Fork San Jacinto River at the same locations.

Enclosed are a Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Temporary Water Use Permit Application Form (TCEQ-10202), maps of the proposed diversion locations, environmental measures, copies of casement agreements, and payment check for TCEQ review and approval.

Construction began October 7, 2024, and based on the current project schedule, which is subject to change, is estimated to be complete by December 31, 2025. Water withdrawal will be conducted during construction and is proposed for a one-time use over a 30-60 day duration.

Should you have questions or require additional information/coordination please contact me at 720-556-2820 (email at a copy of the permit.) Following issuance of the permit, please e-mail me a copy of the permit.

Sincerely,

Leslie Kelton

Senior Project Manager Blackfin Pipeline, LLC

Attachments: Attachment 1 – TCEQ Form 10202, Attachment 2 – Maps, Attachment 3 – Environmental Measures, Attachment 4 – Copy of Easement Agreements, Attachment 5 – Payment Check

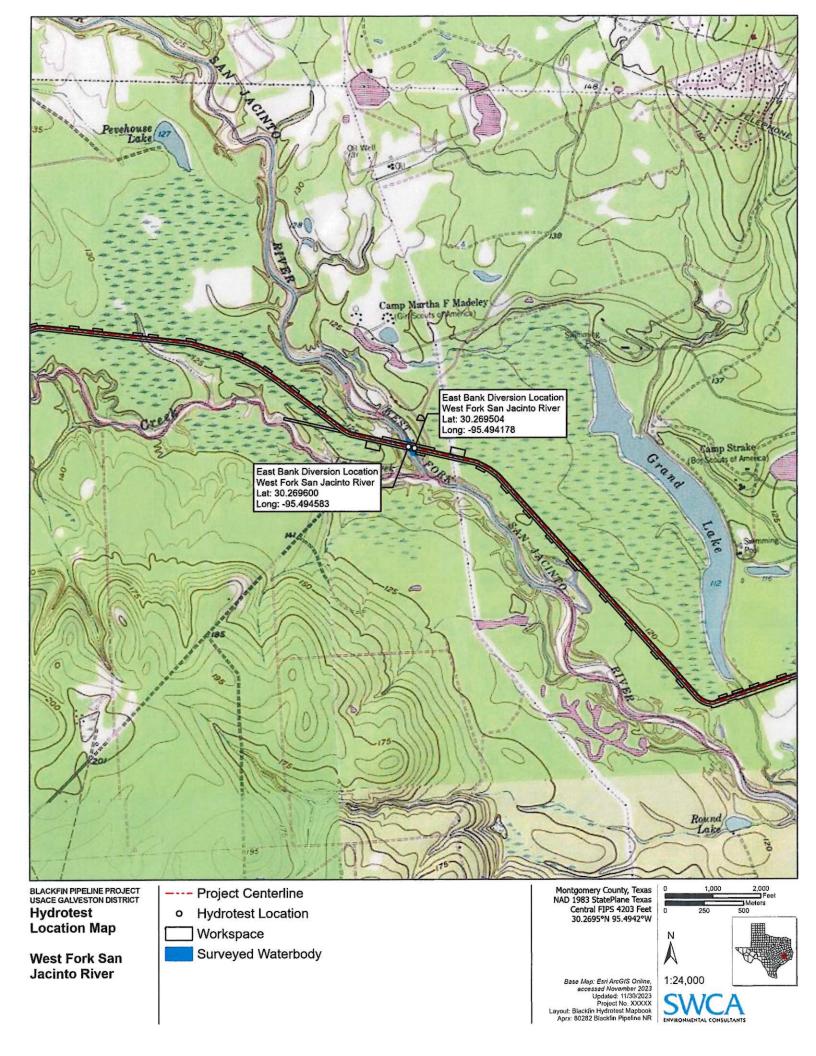
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ATTACHMENT 1 Form TCEQ-10202

ATTACHMENT 2 Maps



ATTACHMENT 3 Environmental Measures

Impingement and Entrainment

Blackfin Pipeline, LLC (the Applicant) will take reasonable measures to avoid impingement and entrainment of aquatic organisms for each diversion structure including, but not limited to, screens.

ATTACHMENT 4 Copy of Easement Agreements

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CAUSE NO. 24-33870

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC,
Plaintiff,

VS.

PROCEEDINGS IN EMINENT DOMAIN

IN THE PROBATE COURT NO. 1

CONROE CS TEXAS HOLDINGS, LP,
Defendant(s).

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER APPROVING DEPOSIT AND BONDS AND GRANTING WRIT OF POSSESSION

On this day, the NOTICE OF DEPOSIT AND BONDS filed by counsel for BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC, Plaintiff, was presented to the Court for review, and after considering same, the Court has determined and finds that Plaintiff has properly: (1) deposited into the registry of the Court the amount required by §21.021(a)(1) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, (2) filed with the Court a Condemnation Bond as required by § 21.021(a)(2) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, to secure the payment of an award of damages in excess of the award of special commissioners; and (3) filed with the Court a Cost Bond pursuant to §21.021(a)(3) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, to secure the payment of additional costs that may be awarded to the property owner by the trial court or on appeal. The Court finds and is of the opinion that such Condemnation Bond and Cost Bond filed by Plaintiff should be and are hereby approved by the Court.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff's deposit and bonds pursuant to \$\$21.021(a)(1)-(a)(3) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE are approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, because Plaintiff has complied with §21.021 of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, Plaintiff is entitled to take possession of the condemned property, as depicted and described in Plaintiff's most recent Petition for Condemnation, and writ of possession be issued to Plaintiff by the Clerk of this Court.

Page 1 of 2

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant shall be entitled to withdraw the funds deposited by Plaintiff pursuant to §21.021(a)(1) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE only after Order of this Court ruling that Defendant has satisfied the requirements of §21.0211 of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE.

Entered this _____ day of ______, 2024.

JUDGE PRESIDING

Received From Court Signed 09/30/2024 11:16:41 AM L. BRANDON STEINMANN COUNTY CLERK Montgomery County, Texas Flores, Kiarra

SUBMITTED BY:

BAKER MORAN DOGGETT MA & DOBBS LLP

By: /s/ Michael E. Ma JOHN P. BAKER State Bar No. 24040460

> MICHAEL E. MA State Bar No. 24060202

1400 Preston Road, Suite 295 Plano, Texas 75093-3601 Telephone: (469) 351-3500 Facsimile: (469) 351-3490

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC

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CAUSE NO. 24-33870

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC,	§ PROCEEDINGS IN EMINENT DOMAIN
Plaintiff,	§
	§
VS.	§ IN THE PROBATE COURT NO. 1
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CONROE CS TEXAS HOLDINGS, LP,	§
Defendant(s).	§ MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

CONDEMNATION BOND

WHEREAS, the Special Commissioners convened on the 26th day of August 2024 in the above styled and numbered proceeding in condemnation, and after listening to the arguments of all parties present, entered an Award of Special Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, Plaintiff herein, desires to enter upon and take possession of the properties sought to be condemned pending further litigation herein, and has made the deposits and payments required by law for that purpose and is further required by §21.021(a)(2) of the Texas Property Code to deposit this bond:

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, as Principal, and Hartford Fire Insurance Company, as Corporate Surety, authorized to do business in the State of Texas, are held and firmly bound unto Defendants in the penal sum of FOUR MILLION DOLLARS (\$4,000,000.00) for the payment of which we and each of us bind ourselves and assigns, jointly and severally. The condition of this bond is that Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, Plaintiff in this action, will pay all damages in excess of the Award of the Special Commissioners that may be awarded or adjudged against it, either in the Court below or upon appeal.

WITNESS our hands this the 28 day of August 2024.

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PRINCIPAL:

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC

By:

Name: Jonathan W. Thayer Title: Chief Financial Officer

CORPORATE SURETY:

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY



Name:Debra C. Schneider

Title: Attorney-in-Fact

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The foregoing Condemnation Bond is approved and filed on this _ 2024.

PRESIDING JUDGE

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POWER OF ATTORNE

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One Hartford Plaza

call: 888-266-3488 or fax: 860-757-5835

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

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Agency Name: MARSH USA LLC

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> Debra C. Schneider of St. Louis, MO

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to sign its name as surety(ies) only as delineated above by X, and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

In Witness Whereof, and as authorized by a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies on May 23, 2016 the Companies have caused these presents to be signed by its Assistant Vice President and its corporate seals to be hereto affixed, duly attested by its Assistant Secretary. Further, pursuant to Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies, the Companies hereby unambiguously affirm that they are and will be bound by any mechanically applied signatures applied to this Power of Attorney.

















Shelby Wiggins, Assistant Secretary

Joelle L. LaPierre, Assistant Vice President

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF SEMINOLE

Lake Mary

On this 20th day of May, 2021, before me personally came Joelle LaPierre, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that (s)he resides in Seminole County, State of Florida; that (s)he is the Assistant Vice President of the Companies, the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that (s)he knows the seals of the said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed by authority of the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that (s)he signed his/her name thereto by like authority.



My Commission HH 122280 Expires June 20, 2025

I. the undersigned. Assistant Vice President of the Companies, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct August 28, 2024 copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is still in full force effective as of _

Signed and sealed in Lake Mary, Florida.

















Keith D. Dozois, Assistant Vice President

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CAUSE NO. 24-33870

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC, Plaintiff,	<pre> § PROCEEDINGS IN EMINENT DOMAIN §</pre>
VS.	§ IN THE PROBATE COURT NO. 1
CONROE CS TEXAS HOLDINGS, LP, Defendant(s).	§ § MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

COST BOND

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WHEREAS Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, Plaintiff herein, desires to enter upon and take possession of the properties sought to be condemned pending further litigation herein, and has made the deposits and payments required by law for that purpose and is further required by §21.021(a)(3) of the Texas Property Code to deposit this bond;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, as Principal, and Hartford Casualty Insurance Company and Hartford Fire Insurance Company, as Corporate Sureties qualified to do business in Texas, are held and firmly bound in the sum of THREE THOUSAND Dollars (\$3,000.00) conditioned to secure the payment of additional costs that may be awarded to the property owner by the trial court or on appeal, which we and each of us bind ourselves and assigns, jointly and severally.

Now, therefore, if said Blackfin Pipeline, LLC will pay, or cause to be paid, such additional costs that may be awarded to Defendants by the trial court or on appeal, then this action be null and void; otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect.

WITNESS our hands this the 28 day of August 2024.

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HARTFORD CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY Surety		
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Name: Debra C. Schneider		
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Jessica Ciccone My Commission HH 122280 Expires June 20, 2025

I, the undersigned, Assistant Vice President of the Companies, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is still in full force effective as of ______ August 28, 2024 _____.

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CAUSE NO. 24-33848

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC,	§	PROCEEDINGS IN EMINENT DOMAIN
Plaintiff,	§ §	PROBATE COURT NO. 1
VS.	§ §	
HUNT SAND AND GRAVEL, LLC, ET AL, Defendants.	§ §	MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

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WITNESS our hands this the 24 day of July 2024.

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PRINCIPAL:

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC

Name: Jonathan W. Thayer

Title: Chief Financial Officer

CORPORATE SURETY:

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Name: Debra C. Schneider

Title: Attorney-in-Fact

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The foregoing Condemnation Bond is approved and filed on this

_____, 2024.

Judge Presiding

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Plaintiff,	§	
	§	IN THE PROBATE COURT NO. 1
VS.	§	
	§	
HUNT SAND AND GRAVEL, LLC, ET AL.,	§	
Defendant.	8	MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER APPROVING DEPOSIT AND BONDS AND GRANTING WRIT OF POSSESSION

On this day, the NOTICE OF DEPOSIT AND BONDS filed by counsel for BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC, Plaintiff, was presented to the Court for review, and after considering same, the Court has determined and finds that Plaintiff has properly: (1) deposited into the registry of the Court the amount required by §21.021(a)(1) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, (2) filed with the Court a Condemnation Bond as required by § 21.021(a)(2) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, to secure the payment of an award of damages in excess of the award of special commissioners; and (3) filed with the Court a Cost Bond pursuant to §21.021(a)(3) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, to secure the payment of additional costs that may be awarded to the property owner by the trial court or on appeal. The Court finds and is of the opinion that such Condemnation Bond and Cost Bond filed by Plaintiff should be and are hereby approved by the Court.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff's deposit and bonds pursuant to \$\\$21.021(a)(1)-a)(3) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE are approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, because Plaintiff has complied with §21.021 of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, Plaintiff is entitled to take possession of the condemned property, as depicted and described in Plaintiff's most recent Petition for Condemnation, and writ of possession be issued to Plaintiff by the Clerk of this Court. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant shall be entitled to withdraw the funds deposited by Plaintiff pursuant to §21.021(a)(1) of the TEXAS

PROPERTY CODE only after Order of this Court ruling that Defendant has satisfied the requirements

of §21.0211 of the Texas Property Code.

Entered this _____ day of _______, 2024.

| JUDGE PRESIDING | Received From Court Signed 08/23/2024 12:18:59 PM L. BRANDON STEINMANN COUNTY CLERK MONTEY COUNTY, Texas McDaris, Danielle

SUBMITTED BY:

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By: <u>/s/ Michael E. Ma</u>
JOHN P. BAKER
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NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, as Principal, and Hartford Casualty Insurance Company and Hartford Fire Insurance Company, as Corporate Sureties qualified to do business in Texas, are held and firmly bound in the sum of THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,000.00) conditioned to secure the payment of additional costs that may be awarded to the property owner by the trial court or on appeal, which we and each of us bind ourselves and assigns, jointly and severally.

Now, therefore, if said Blackfin Pipeline, LLC will pay, or cause to be paid, such additional costs that may be awarded to Defendants by the trial court or on appeal, then this action be null and void; otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect.

WITNESS our hands this the	24	_ day of	July	2024.
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COMPANY Surety Principal Name: Debra C. Schneider Name: Jonathan W. Thayer Title: Attorney-in-Fact Title: Chief Financial Officer HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY Surety Name: Debra C. Schneider 8/20/2024 10:20:39 AM Title: Attorney-in-Fact The foregoing Cost Bond is approved and filed of , 2024. PRESIDING JUDGE Received From Court Signed 08/20/2024 10:22:53 AM L. BRANDON STEINMANN

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WITNESS our hands this the 24 day of July 2024.

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BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC

Name: Jonathan W. Thayer

Title: Chief Financial Officer

CORPORATE SURETY:

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Defendant(s).	§ MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

CONDEMNATION BOND

WHEREAS, the Special Commissioners convened on the 26th day of August 2024 in the above styled and numbered proceeding in condemnation, and after listening to the arguments of all parties present, entered an Award of Special Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, Plaintiff herein, desires to enter upon and take possession of the properties sought to be condemned pending further litigation herein, and has made the deposits and payments required by law for that purpose and is further required by §21.021(a)(2) of the Texas Property Code to deposit this bond:

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, as Principal, and Hartford Fire Insurance Company, as Corporate Surety, authorized to do business in the State of Texas, are held and firmly bound unto Defendants in the penal sum of FOUR MILLION DOLLARS (\$4,000,000.00) for the payment of which we and each of us bind ourselves and assigns, jointly and severally. The condition of this bond is that Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, Plaintiff in this action, will pay all damages in excess of the Award of the Special Commissioners that may be awarded or adjudged against it, either in the Court below or upon appeal.

WITNESS our hands this the <u>28</u> day of <u>August</u> 2024.

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PRINCIPAL:

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC

By:

Name: Jonathan W. Thayer Title: Chief Financial Officer

CORPORATE SURETY:

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY



Name:Debra C. Schneider

Title: Attorney-in-Fact

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The foregoing Condemnation Bond is approved and filed on this _ 2024.

PRESIDING JUDGE

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One Hartford Plaza Hartford, Connecticut 06155

call: 888-266-3488 or fax: 860-757-5835

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

	Hartford Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
	Hartford Casualty Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
	Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
	Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
	Twin City Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
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ī	Hartford Insurance Company of the Midwest, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
一	Hartford Insurance Company of the Southeast, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Florida

Agency Name: MARSH USA LLC

having their home office in Hartford, Connecticut, (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, up to the amount of Unlimited:

Debra C. Schneider

of

St. Louis, MO

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to sign its name as surety(ies) only as delineated above by X, and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

In Witness Whereof, and as authorized by a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies on May 23, 2016 the Companies have caused these presents to be signed by its Assistant Vice President and its corporate seals to be hereto affixed, duly attested by its Assistant Secretary. Further, pursuant to Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies, the Companies hereby unambiguously affirm that they are and will be bound by any mechanically applied signatures applied to this Power of Attorney.

















Shelby Wiggins, Assistant Secretary

Joelle L. LaPierre, Assistant Vice President

STATE OF FLORIDA

Lake Mary

COUNTY OF SEMINOLE

On this 20th day of May, 2021, before me personally came Joelle LaPierre, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that (s)he resides in Seminole County, State of Florida; that (s)he is the Assistant Vice President of the Companies, the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that (s)he knows the seals of the said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed by authority of the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that (s)he signed his/her name thereto by like authority.



My Commission HH 122280 Expires June 20, 2025

I, the undersigned, Assistant Vice President of the Companies, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct August 28, 2024 copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is still in full force effective as of _

Signed and sealed in Lake Mary, Florida.

















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CAUSE NO. 24-33870

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC, Plaintiff,	<pre> § PROCEEDINGS IN EMINENT DOMAIN §</pre>
VS.	§ IN THE PROBATE COURT NO. 1
CONROE CS TEXAS HOLDINGS, LP, Defendant(s).	§ § MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

COST BOND

WHEREAS, the Special Commissioners convened on the 26th day of August 2024 in the above styled and numbered proceeding in condemnation, and after listening to the arguments of all parties present, entered an Award of Special Commissioners; and

WHEREAS Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, Plaintiff herein, desires to enter upon and take possession of the properties sought to be condemned pending further litigation herein, and has made the deposits and payments required by law for that purpose and is further required by §21.021(a)(3) of the Texas Property Code to deposit this bond;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Blackfin Pipeline, LLC, as Principal, and Hartford Casualty Insurance Company and Hartford Fire Insurance Company, as Corporate Sureties qualified to do business in Texas, are held and firmly bound in the sum of THREE THOUSAND Dollars (\$3,000.00) conditioned to secure the payment of additional costs that may be awarded to the property owner by the trial court or on appeal, which we and each of us bind ourselves and assigns, jointly and severally.

Now, therefore, if said Blackfin Pipeline, LLC will pay, or cause to be paid, such additional costs that may be awarded to Defendants by the trial court or on appeal, then this action be null and void; otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect.

WITNESS our hands this the 28 day of August 2024.

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HARTFORD CASUALTY INSURANCE BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC **COMPANY** Principal Surety Name: Debra C. Schneider Name: Jonathan W. Thayer Title: Chief Financial Officer Title: Attorney-in-Fact HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY Surety By: Name: Debra C. Schneider Title: Attorney-in-Fact 9/27/2024 2:24:05 PM The foregoing Cost Bond is approved and fried on this , 2024.

PRESIDING JUDGE

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Jessica Ciccone My Commission HH 122280 Expires June 20, 2025

I, the undersigned, Assistant Vice President of the Companies, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is still in full force effective as of August 28, 2024.

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CAUSE NO. 24-33870

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC,	§ PROCEEDINGS IN EMINENT DOMAIN
Plaintiff,	§
	§
VS.	§ IN THE PROBATE COURT NO. 1
	§
	§
CONROE CS TEXAS HOLDINGS, LP,	§
Defendant(s).	§ MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER APPROVING DEPOSIT AND BONDS AND GRANTING WRIT OF POSSESSION

On this day, the NOTICE OF DEPOSIT AND BONDS filed by counsel for BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC, Plaintiff, was presented to the Court for review, and after considering same, the Court has determined and finds that Plaintiff has properly: (1) deposited into the registry of the Court the amount required by §21.021(a)(1) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, (2) filed with the Court a Condemnation Bond as required by § 21.021(a)(2) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, to secure the payment of an award of damages in excess of the award of special commissioners; and (3) filed with the Court a Cost Bond pursuant to §21.021(a)(3) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, to secure the payment of additional costs that may be awarded to the property owner by the trial court or on appeal. The Court finds and is of the opinion that such Condemnation Bond and Cost Bond filed by Plaintiff should be and are hereby approved by the Court.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff's deposit and bonds pursuant to \$\\$21.021(a)(1)-(a)(3) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE are approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, because Plaintiff has complied with §21.021 of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, Plaintiff is entitled to take possession of the condemned property, as depicted and described in Plaintiff's most recent Petition for Condemnation, and writ of possession be issued to Plaintiff by the Clerk of this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant shall be entitled to withdraw the funds deposited by Plaintiff pursuant to §21.021(a)(1) of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE only after Order of this Court ruling that Defendant has satisfied the requirements of §21.0211 of the TEXAS PROPERTY CODE.

Entered this _____ day of ______, 2024.

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JUDGE PRESIDING

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SUBMITTED BY:

BAKER MORAN DOGGETT MA & DOBBS LLP

By: /s/ Michael E. Ma JOHN P. BAKER State Bar No. 24040460

> MICHAEL E. MA State Bar No. 24060202

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CAUSE NO. 24-33848

BLACKFIN PIPELINE, LLC,	§	PROCEEDINGS IN EMINENT DOMAIN
Plaintiff,	§	
	§	IN THE PROBATE COURT NO. 1
VS.	§	
	§	
HUNT SAND AND GRAVEL, LLC, ET AL.,	§	
Defendant.	§	MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER APPROVING DEPOSIT AND BONDS AND GRANTING WRIT OF POSSESSION

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PROPERTY CODE only after Order of this Court ruling that Defendant has satisfied the requirements

SUBMITTED BY:

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By: /s/ Michael E. Ma JOHN P. BAKER

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ATTACHMENT 5 Payment Check



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