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STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
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M. SCOTT BOWEN  
DIRECTOR

June 17, 2024

To: M. Scott Bowen, Director

Information: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Oil and Gas Lease Auction – 2,818.04 acres were offered  
May 2, 2024

Authority: Part 5, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection  
Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended

Applicants: The attached auction summary identifies the successful bidders,  
the total acreage, and the total revenue paid. There were four  
registered bidders with four successful bidders.

Mineral Description: The Official Auction Record shows the legal descriptions for each  
offering.

Acres Bid: Of the 2,818.04 acres offered, a total of 2,685.86 acres received  
successful bids (2,445.86 acres development, 240 acres  
nondevelopment) in four counties.

Lease Terms: Five-year primary term with two one-year extension options, one-  
sixth (1/6) royalty. Bonus amount of \$26,890.00 and rental  
amount of \$14,422.28. Total revenue generated at the auction  
was \$41,312.28.

Special Restrictions: In accordance with those described in the Official Auction Record  
for each applicable auction description.

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources  
July 2, 2024, Business Calendar and will be eligible for approval  
July 11, 2024.

Recommendation: That the oil and gas leases be issued to the successful bidders pursuant to the above terms and conditions.



Dan Lord, Chief  
Finance and Operations Division



Randall M. Claramunt, Chief  
Fisheries Division



Jeffery J. Stampfly, Chief  
Forest Resources Division



Ronald A. Olson, Chief  
Parks and Recreation Division



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Wildlife Division

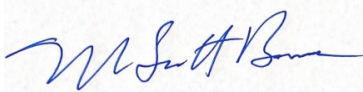


Kristin Phillips  
Chief Administrative Officer



Shannon Lott  
Natural Resources Deputy

I approve the staff recommendation.



M. Scott Bowen  
Director

Approval Date: July 11, 2024

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Bidder Number	Lessee	Total Acres	Total Bonus + Total Rental
101	West Bay Exploration 13685 S. West Bay Shore Drive Suite 200 Traverse City, MI 49684	1,091.32	\$21,833.20
102	Miller Energy II, LLC P.O. Box 632 Traverse City, MI 49685	1,274.54	\$15,319.08
103	Savoy Energy, L.P. P.O. Box 1560 Traverse City, MI 49685	280.00	\$3,360.00
104	J&M Energy, LLC 1425 S. Mission Road Mount Pleasant, MI 48858	40.00	\$800.00
	Totals:	2685.86	\$41,312.28