

**STATE OF UTAH**  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

FORM 4B

Bond No. \_\_\_\_\_

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**COLLATERAL BOND**

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**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:**

That we (operator name) \_\_\_\_\_ as Principal,  
which is duly authorized and qualified to do business in the State of Utah, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Utah in the sum of:

\_\_\_\_\_ dollars (\$ \_\_\_\_\_ )  
lawful money of the United States by virtue of the following financial instruments (cash account, negotiable bonds of the United States, a state or municipality, or negotiable certificate of deposit – see Rule R649-3-1):

payable to the Director of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, as agent of the State of Utah, for the use and benefit of the State of Utah for the faithful payment of which we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and successors, jointly and severally by these presents.

**THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH THAT, WHEREAS** the Principal is or will be engaged in the drilling, re-drilling, deepening, repairing, operating, and plugging and abandonment of a well or wells and restoring the well site or sites in the State of Utah for the purposes of oil or gas production and/or the injection and disposal of fluids in connection therewith for the following described land or well:

\_\_\_\_\_ Blanket Bond: To cover all wells drilled in the State of Utah

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual Bond: Well No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Township: \_\_\_\_\_ Range: \_\_\_\_\_  
County: \_\_\_\_\_, Utah

**NOW, THEREFORE**, if the above bounden Principal shall comply with all the provisions of the laws of the State of Utah and the rules, orders and requirements of the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining of the State of Utah, including, but not limited to the proper plugging and abandonment of wells and well site restoration, then this obligation is void; otherwise, the same shall be and remain in full force and effect.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, said Principal has hereunto subscribed its name and has caused this instrument to be signed by its duly authorized officers and its corporate or notary seal to be affixed this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

(Corporate or Notary Seal here)

Attestee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal (company name)

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Name (print) Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

## INSTRUCTIONS

An owner or operator shall furnish a bond to the division prior to obtaining approval of a permit to drill a new well, reentering an abandoned well, or assuming responsibility as operator of existing wells. Disposal facilities, other than injection wells, shall also be bonded in accordance with the Utah Oil and Gas Conservation General Rules.

- A bond shall be furnished to the division on Form 4 for wells located on lands with fee or privately owned minerals.
- Evidence that a bond has been filed in accordance with state, federal, or Indian lease requirements and approved by the appropriate agency, shall be furnished to the division for all wells located on state, federal, or Indian leases.

A bond furnished to the division shall be made payable to the division.

Each bond is conditioned upon the faithful performance by the operator of the duty to plug each dry or abandoned well, repair each well causing waste or pollution, and maintain and restore the well site.

An owner or operator should consult the Utah Oil and Gas Conservation General Rules to determine proper bonding amounts, and to determine which of the following forms to use:

- Form 4A, Surety Bond
- Form 4B, Collateral Bond
- Form 4C, Irrevocable Documentary Letter of Credit
- Form 4D, Collateral Bond - Exploration and Production Waste Disposal Facility
- Form 4E, Surety Bond - Exploration and Production Waste Disposal Facility
- Form 4F, Irrevocable Documentary Letter of Credit - Exploration and Production Waste Disposal Facility

If an adequate bond is not in place within the allowable time periods as specified in the Utah Oil and Gas Conservation General Rules, the operator shall be required to cease operations immediately, and shall not resume operations until the division has received an acceptable bond.

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