



Bruin E&P Operating, LLC  
602 Sawyer St., Suite 200  
Houston, TX 77007

January 25, 2018

Dear Owners:

Bruin E&P Operating, LLC (“Bruin”) has taken over as operator for the wells and properties previously operated by Halcón Operating Co, Inc. and HRC Operating LLC (together, “Halcon”) in the Williston Basin, North Dakota. Royalty checks that you had been receiving from Halcon for your properties will now be coming from Bruin. This will be effective with this month’s royalty payments on January 25, 2018. Royalty payments of less than \$100.00 per month will be held by Bruin until the total royalty amount reaches \$100.00 or annually, regardless of amount, whichever is later.

The terms of you royalty payments and the time periods to make your royalty payments for the applicable properties will not change. Bruin’s objective is to ensure the owner transition process is as smooth as possible. Certain information will be required from each owner prior to Bruin disbursing royalty payments. Enclosed with this letter you will find Bruin’s **EFT Authorization Form** that needs to be completed and returned if you would like your check to be direct deposited. In addition, please provide your taxpayer ID on the attached **W9 Form**.

Please note that the EFT/ACH payment process for all owners will take some time to initiate and we will work diligently to set up direct deposit for you if that is how you would like your royalty payments made. Until then, physical checks will be sent via the US Postal Service to the address on file.

Please send the completed W9 and ACH Authorization Form to [BruinOwner@bruinep.com](mailto:BruinOwner@bruinep.com). If you prefer to return via mail, please send them along to:

Bruin E&P Operating, LLC  
Attn: Revenue Accounting  
602 Sawyer, Suite 710  
Houston, TX 77007

Please note that we also have an Owner Relations Hotline. The phone number is 844-809-2523. Please leave a specific message so that it can be forwarded to the correct Department at Bruin.

Please do not hesitate to contact Bruin if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Bruin E&P Operating, LLC

Enclosures (2)



## EFT Authorization Agreement

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

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### OWNER INFORMATION

Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

EFT Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address for remittance advice: \_\_\_\_\_

### BANKING INFORMATION

Bank Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Routing Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Type (Checking/Savings): \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a voided check for verification purposes. If checks are not available, attach a direct deposit form provided by your bank. Deposit slips are not accepted.

### OWNER AUTHORIZATION

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

The above-named owner hereby authorizes Bruin E&P Operating, LLC (“Bruin”) and/or its affiliated companies to make electronic funds transfers (“EFT”) payments to Owner’s account, as indicated above, for payments of royalties on the Owner’s properties. Owner acknowledges and agrees that this authorization is provided for the benefit of Owner and Bruin with respect to all agreements between Owner and Bruin. By the signature of its authorized representative above, Owner hereby certifies that the representative signing is authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of Owner. The person executing this Agreement on behalf of Owner does hereby personally represent and warrant by his or her signature on behalf of the Owner that the execution and delivery of this Agreement has been duly authorized by all necessary action and that all information on this Agreement is true and complete. Owner hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold Bruin, its officers, directors, employees, consultants and agents harmless with respect to any loss of funds or amounts due to Owner or under any Owner invoices to the extent payment is made in accordance with the informant provided in this Agreement. Facsimile and electronic versions of executed copies of this Agreement shall be binding and enforceable and have the same force and effect as if they were original signatures. Owner may change any portion of the information provided by giving at least thirty (30) days written notice to Bruin at the address shown below. Owner understands that Bruin may suspend this Agreement at any time and make royalty payments through physical checks. Nothing herein shall amend or modify the terms of your agreement setting for the applicable royalties on your properties with Bruin and/or its affiliated companies.

### **Mail or e-mail the completed form to:**

Bruin E&P Operating, LLC

Attn: Revenue Department

602 Sawyer St., Suite 200

Houston, TX 77007

E:Mail – [bruinowner@bruinep.com](mailto:bruinowner@bruinep.com)

# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9) for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only <b>one</b> of the following seven boxes. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ _____ <b>Note:</b> Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is <b>not</b> disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)	

## Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

**Note:** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
				-			-		
or									
Employer identification number									
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## Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9).

## Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)

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- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.