



**Registration of a Charge**

Company name: **VERUS PETROLEUM HOLDING LIMITED**

Company number: **SC470677**



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**Details of Charge**

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Persons entitled: **LLOYDS BANK PLC (AS SECURITY TRUSTEE)**

Brief description:

**Contains floating charge(s) (floating charge covers all the property or undertaking of the company).**

**Contains negative pledge.**

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## **CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF A CHARGE**

Company number: 470677

Charge code: SC47 0677 0005

The Registrar of Companies for Scotland hereby certifies that a charge dated 19th November 2018 and created by VERUS PETROLEUM HOLDING LIMITED was delivered pursuant to Chapter A1 Part 25 of the Companies Act 2006 on 21st November 2018 .

Given at Companies House, Edinburgh on 22nd November 2018

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**Companies House**



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REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES

**FLOATING CHARGE**

delivered on 19 November 2018

made by

**VERUS PETROLEUM HOLDING LIMITED**

as Chargor

in favour of

**LLOYD'S BANK PLC**

as Security Trustee

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This charge (the “**Charge**”) is delivered on 19 November 2018 and made by:

- (1) **VERUS PETROLEUM HOLDING LIMITED**, incorporated and registered in Scotland with company number SC470677 whose registered office as at the date of this Charge is at 3 Queen's Gardens, Aberdeen, AB15 4YD (the “**Chargor**”)

in favour of:

- (2) **LLOYD'S BANK PLC** as agent and trustee for the Secured Parties (as defined in the Facility Agreement (as defined below)) (the “**Security Trustee**”).

## **BACKGROUND**

- (A) The Lenders have provided, pursuant to the Facility Agreement, the Chargor with a credit facility on a secured basis.
- (B) The Facility Agreement (as referred to in the Existing Floating Charge) is to be amended and restated pursuant to the Amendment and Restatement Deed (as defined below) to be entered into on or around the date of this Charge.
- (C) As a condition precedent to the amendment and restatement of the Facility Agreement provided for by the Amendment and Restatement Deed, the Security Trustee requires that the Chargor execute this Charge.
- (D) Under this Charge, the Chargor provides security to the Security Trustee (as agent and trustee for the Secured Parties) for the credit facility made available under the Facility Agreement.
- (E) The board of directors of the Chargor is satisfied that the Chargor giving the security contained or provided for in this Charge is in the best interests of the Chargor and has passed a resolution to that effect.
- (F) The Security Trustee (as agent and trustee for the Secured Parties) holds the benefit of this Charge on trust for the Secured Parties on the terms of the Finance Documents.

**IT IS AGREED** as follows:

## **1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

### **1.1 Definitions**

Terms defined in the Facility Agreement shall, unless otherwise defined in this Charge, have the same meanings when used in this Charge. In addition, the following definitions apply in this Charge:

“**Amendment and Restatement Deed**” means an amendment and restatement deed (incorporating the restated form of the Facility Agreement) and made between, amongst others (1) the Chargor (2) Verus Petroleum UK Limited as the Company (3) Nedbank Limited, London Branch as original mandated lead arranger (4) the Security Trustee and (5) DNB Bank ASA, London Branch as the Facility Agent dated on or around the date of this Charge.

“**Administrator**” means an administrator appointed pursuant to Clause 8.7 (*Appointment of an Administrator*) to manage the affairs, business and property of the Chargor.

**“Delegate”** means any person appointed by the Security Trustee or any Receiver pursuant to Clause 12 (*Delegation*) and any person appointed as attorney of the Security Trustee, Receiver or Delegate.

**“Existing Floating Charge”** means the floating charge dated 30 January 2017 granted by the Chargor in favour of Nedbank Limited, London Branch as security trustee.

**“Expense”** means all charges, costs (including legal fees), damages and expenses sustained or incurred by the Security Trustee or any Receiver or Delegate at any time in connection with the Secured Assets or the Secured Liabilities or in taking, holding or perfecting this Charge or in defending, enforcing, preserving or protecting the Security constituted by this Charge or in exercising any powers, remedies or rights provided by or pursuant to this Charge (including any power or right to make payments on behalf of the Chargor under the terms of this Charge) or by law in each case on a full indemnity basis.

**“Facility Agreement”** means the up to \$500,000,000 senior secured revolving amortising reserve base facility agreement originally dated 30 January 2017 as amended and restated on or around the date of this Charge (pursuant to the Amendment and Restatement Deed) between, amongst others, (1) the Chargor, (2) Verus Petroleum UK Limited as the Company (3) Nedbank Limited, London Branch as original mandated lead arranger (4) DNB Bank ASA, London Branch as Facility Agent and (5) the Security Trustee for the provision of the credit facility secured by the Existing Floating Charge and this Charge.

**“JOA”** means a joint operating agreement relating to a Field.

**“Party”** means a party to this Charge.

**“Receiver”** means a receiver, receiver and manager or administrative receiver of any or all of the Secured Assets (in whole or part or parts) appointed by the Security Trustee under Clause 10 (*Receiver*).

**“Secured Assets”** means all the assets, property and undertaking for the time being subject to the Security created by, or pursuant to, this Charge.

**“Secured Liabilities”** means all present and future monies, indebtedness, obligations and liabilities owed by each Obligor to all or any of the Secured Parties, whether actual or contingent, in whatever currency denominated and whether owed jointly or severally, as principal or surety or in any other capacity whatsoever, under or in connection with the Finance Documents (including those arising under Clause 15.2(b) (*Discharge conditional*) of this Charge), together with all interest (including default interest) accruing in respect of such monies or liabilities and including any liability in respect of any further advances made under the Finance Documents, together with all Expenses and all interest under Clause 13 (*Interest*) of the Facility Agreement.

**“Security Period”** means the period starting on the date of this Charge and ending on the date on which the Security Trustee is satisfied that all the Secured Liabilities have been unconditionally and irrevocably paid and discharged in full and no further Secured Liabilities are capable of being outstanding.

## 1.2 Interpretation

- (a) Unless a contrary indication appears, a reference in this Charge to:

- (i) “**asset**” or “**assets**” includes present and future assets and rights of every description;
  - (ii) “**disposal**” means any a sale, lease, transfer or other disposal and “**dispose**” will be construed accordingly;
  - (iii) a “**Finance Document**” or any other agreement or instrument is a reference to that Finance Document or any other agreement or instrument as amended, novated, supplemented, extended or restated (however fundamentally and including, without limitation in each case, by an increase of any size in the amount of the facilities made available under it, the alteration of the nature or number of facilities provided, the purpose or period of those facilities and/or the change of its parties);
  - (iv) “**guarantee**” means any guarantee, letter of credit, bond, indemnity or similar assurance against loss, or any obligation, direct or indirect, actual or contingent, to purchase or assume any indebtedness of any person or to make an investment in or loan to any person or to purchase assets of any person where, in each case, such obligation is assumed in order to maintain or assist the ability of such person to meet its indebtedness;
  - (v) “**indebtedness**” includes any obligation (whether incurred as principal or as a surety) for the payment or repayment of money, whether present or future, actual or contingent;
  - (vi) a “**person**” includes any individual, firm, company, corporation, government, state or agency of a state or any association, trust, joint venture, consortium, partnership or other entity (whether or not having separate legal personality);
  - (vii) a “**regulation**” includes any regulation, rule, official directive, request or guideline (whether or not having the force of law) of any governmental, intergovernmental or supranational body, agency, department or of any regulatory, self-regulatory or other authority or organisation;
  - (viii) the “**Security Trustee**”, the “**Chargor**”, any “**Secured Party**”, any “**Party**”, any “**Obligor**” or any other person shall be construed so as to include its successors in title, permitted assigns and permitted transferees to, or of, its rights and/or obligations under this Charge and, in the case of the Security Trustee, shall include any person for the time being appointed as a Security Trustee in accordance with the Facility Agreement;
  - (ix) a provision of law is a reference to that provision as amended or re-enacted;
  - (x) a time of day is a reference to London time; and
  - (xi) the singular includes the plural (and vice versa).
- (b) Where the term “**Secured Party**” is used in, and construed for the purposes of, this Charge, a Hedge Counterparty shall be a Secured Party.
- (c) The words “**other**” or “**otherwise**” and “**whatsoever**” when used in this Charge shall not be construed ejusdem generis or construed in a narrower way by reference to any preceding words.

- (d) Any words following the terms “**including**”, “**include**”, “**in particular**”, “**for example**” or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words, description, definition, phrase or term preceding those terms.
- (e) Section, Clause and Schedule headings are for ease of reference only.
- (f) A Default (other than an Event of Default) is “**continuing**” if it has not been remedied or waived and an Event of Default is “**continuing**” if it has not been waived.
- (g) Where the term “**full title guarantee**” is used in, and construed for the purposes of this Charge, the term shall be subject to the terms of the Existing Floating Charge.

### 1.3 Security Trustee provisions

The Chargor agrees that the terms of Clause 29 (*The Security Trustee*) of the Facility Agreement are incorporated into this Charge as if those terms were set out in full in this Charge, with references to “this Agreement” being construed as a reference to this Charge.

### 1.4 Conflict

In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Charge and the Facility Agreement, the terms of the Facility Agreement shall prevail, to the extent permitted by law.

## 2. COVENANT TO PAY

The Chargor shall, on demand, pay to the Security Trustee and discharge the Secured Liabilities when they become due.

## 3. FLOATING CHARGE

- 3.1 As a continuing security for the payment, performance and discharge of the Secured Liabilities, the Chargor (subject only to the Existing Floating Charge) with full title guarantee charges to the Security Trustee (as agent and trustee for the Secured Parties), by way of floating charge, all the undertaking, property, assets and rights of the Chargor whatsoever, present and future.

- 3.2 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charge, the Security Trustee and the Finance Parties’ rights under this Charge are, in relation to any current or future JOA relating to the Fields to which the Chargor is a party, subject to and without prejudice to the rights of any joint operating parties thereto (other than the Chargor), but only to the extent that the JOA in question obliges the Chargor to include a provision such as this Clause 3 (*Floating Charge*) in a security document such as this Charge.

### 3.3 Qualifying floating charge

Paragraph 14 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 applies to the floating charge created by Clause 3.1 (*Floating Charge*).

**3.4 Confirmation**

This Charge shall be without prejudice to the Existing Floating Charge, the security constituted or intended to be constituted by the Existing Floating Charge and all of the obligations, undertakings, covenants, agreements, rights, powers, directions, remedies, immunities and other provisions contained or referred to in the Existing Floating Charge which shall remain in full force and effect and continue to secure payment, performance and discharge of the Secured Liabilities notwithstanding this Charge.

**4. FURTHER ASSURANCE****4.1 Further assurance**

- (a) The Chargor shall, at its own expense, take whatever action is required in accordance with clause 26.17 (*Transaction Security Documents and Further Assurance*) of the Facility Agreement.
- (b) Without prejudice to the obligations of the Chargor under paragraph (a) above, the Chargor shall, at the direction of the Security Trustee given at any time, immediately execute and deliver to the Security Trustee all transfers and other documents and do all such things as may be necessary or desirable:
  - (i) to register all or any of the Secured Assets in the name of the Security Trustee or its nominee;
  - (ii) for creating, registering, perfecting, maintaining or protecting the Security created by this Charge;
  - (iii) for creating a fixed charge over any of the Secured Assets;
  - (iv) to facilitate the realisation of all or any of the Secured Assets after this Charge has become enforceable, or the exercise of any right, power or discretion vested in the Security Trustee or any Delegate or any Receiver in relation to any Secured Assets or this Charge.

**4.2 Avoidance of payment and reinstatement**

- (a) No amount paid, repaid or credited to a Secured Party shall be deemed to have been irrevocably paid if the Security Trustee considers that the payment or credit of such amount is capable of being avoided or reduced because of any laws applicable on bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, administration or any similar laws.
- (b) If any discharge, release or arrangement (whether in respect of the obligations of any Obligor or any Security for those obligations or otherwise) is made by a Secured Party in whole or in part on the basis of any payment, security or other disposition which is avoided or must be restored in insolvency, liquidation, administration or otherwise, without limitation, then the liability of the Chargor will continue or be reinstated as if the discharge, release or arrangement had not occurred.

**4.3 Waiver of defences**

The obligations of the Chargor under this Charge will not be affected by an act, omission, matter or thing which, but for this Clause 4.3 would reduce, release or prejudice any of its

obligations under this Clause 4.3 (without limitation and whether or not known to it or any Secured Party) including:

- (a) any time, waiver or consent granted to, or composition with, the Chargor, any Obligor or other person;
- (b) the release of the Chargor, any other Obligor or any other person under the terms of any composition or arrangement with any creditor of any member of the Group;
- (c) the taking, variation, compromise, exchange, renewal or release of, or refusal or neglect to perfect, take up or enforce, any rights against, or Security over assets of, the Chargor, any Obligor or other person or any non-presentation or non-observance of any formality or other requirement in respect of any instrument or any failure to realise the full value of any Security;
- (d) any incapacity or lack of power, authority or legal personality of or dissolution or change in the members or status of an Obligor or any other person;
- (e) any amendment, novation, supplement, extension, restatement (however fundamental and whether or not more onerous) or replacement of a Finance Document or any other document or security including, without limitation, any change in the purpose of, any extension of or increase in any facility or the addition of any new facility under any Finance Document or other document or security;
- (f) any unenforceability, illegality or invalidity of any obligation of any person under any Finance Document or any other document or Security; or
- (g) any insolvency or similar proceedings.

#### **4.4 Chargor Intent**

Without prejudice to the generality of Clause 4.3 (*Waiver of defences*), the Chargor expressly confirms that it intends that this Security shall extend from time to time to any (however fundamental) variation, increase, extension or addition of or to any of the Finance Documents and/or any facility or amount made available under any of the Finance Documents for the purposes of or in connection with any of the following: business acquisitions of any nature; increasing working capital; enabling investor distributions to be made; carrying out restructurings; refinancing existing facilities; refinancing any other indebtedness; making facilities available to new borrowers; any other variation or extension of the purposes for which any such facility or amount might be made available from time to time; and any fees, costs and/or expenses associated with any of the foregoing.

#### **4.5 Immediate recourse**

The Chargor waives any right it may have of first requiring any Secured Party (or any trustee or agent on its behalf) to proceed against or enforce any other rights or Security or claim payment from any person before claiming from the Chargor under this Charge. This waiver applies irrespective of any law or any provision of a Finance Document to the contrary.

#### **4.6 Appropriations**

Until all Secured Liabilities have been irrevocably paid in full, each Secured Party (or any trustee or agent on its behalf) may:

- (a) refrain from applying or enforcing any other moneys, Security or rights held or received by that Secured Party (or any trustee or agent on its behalf) in respect of those amounts, or apply and enforce the same in such manner and order as it sees fit (whether against those amounts or otherwise) and the Chargor shall not be entitled to the benefit of the same; and
- (b) hold in an interest-bearing suspense account any moneys received from the Chargor or on account of the Chargor's liability under this Charge.

#### **4.7 Deferral of Chargor's rights**

Until all Secured Liabilities have been irrevocably paid in full and unless the Security Trustee otherwise directs, the Chargor will not exercise any rights which it may have by reason of performance by it of its obligations under the Finance Documents or by reason of any amount being payable, or liability arising, under this Charge:

- (a) to be indemnified by an Obligor;
- (b) to claim any contribution from any other guarantor of any Obligor's obligations under the Finance Documents;
- (c) to take the benefit (in whole or in part and whether by way of subrogation or otherwise) of any rights of the Secured Parties under the Finance Documents or of any other guarantee or Security taken pursuant to, or in connection with, the Finance Documents by any Secured Party;
- (d) to bring legal or other proceedings for an order requiring any Obligor to make any payment, or perform any obligation, in respect of which the Chargor has given a guarantee, undertaking or indemnity under any Finance Documents;
- (e) to exercise any right of set-off against any Obligor; and/or
- (f) to claim or prove as a creditor of any Obligor in competition with any Secured Party.

If the Chargor receives any benefit, payment or distribution in relation to such rights it shall hold that benefit, payment or distribution to the extent necessary to enable all amounts which may be or become payable to the Secured Parties by the Obligors under or in connection with the Finance Documents to be repaid in full on trust for the Secured Parties and shall promptly pay or transfer the same to the Security Trustee or as the Agent may direct for application in accordance with the Facility Agreement.

### **5. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES**

The Chargor makes the representations and warranties set out in this Clause 5 to the Security Trustee (as agent and trustee for the Secured Parties).

#### **5.1 Ownership of Secured Assets**

The Chargor is the legal and beneficial owner of the Secured Assets, free from any Security other than the Security created by this Charge or expressly permitted under the Facility Agreement.

**5.2 Enforceable security**

Subject to the Legal Reservations, this Charge constitutes the legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations of the Chargor, and is and will continue to be effective Security over all and every part of the Secured Assets in accordance with its terms.

**5.3 Avoidance of security**

No Security expressed to be created under this Charge is liable to be avoided, or otherwise set aside, on the liquidation or administration of the Chargor or otherwise.

**5.4 Times for making representations and warranties**

The representations and warranties set out in this Clause 5 are made by the Chargor on the date of this Charge and shall be deemed to be repeated by the Chargor on each day of the Security Period with reference to the facts and circumstances then existing.

**6. GENERAL COVENANTS**

The Chargor covenants with the Security Trustee, during the Security Period, in accordance with the terms set out in this Clause 6 (*General Covenants*).

**6.1 Negative pledge and disposal restrictions**

The Chargor shall not at any time:

- (a) create, purport to create or permit to subsist any Security on, or in relation to, any Secured Assets other than any Security created by this Charge;
- (b) sell, assign, transfer, part with possession of or otherwise dispose of in any manner (or purport to do so) all or any part of, or any interest in, the Secured Assets; or
- (c) create or grant (or purport to create or grant) any interest in any Secured Assets in favour of a third party,

in each case, except as expressly permitted by the Facility Agreement.

**6.2 No adverse actions or variations**

The Chargor shall not cause or permit to be done anything which may adversely affect the Security created by this Charge or which is a variation or abrogation of the rights attaching to or conferred on all or any part of the Secured Assets by this Charge, without the prior written consent of the Security Trustee.

**6.3 Notice of misrepresentation and breaches**

The Chargor shall, promptly on becoming aware of any of the same, give the Security Trustee notice in writing of:

- (a) any representation or warranty set out in this Charge that is incorrect or misleading when made or deemed to be repeated; and
- (b) any breach of any covenant set out in this Charge.

**7. WHEN SECURITY BECOMES ENFORCEABLE**

At any time on or after an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Security created pursuant to this Charge shall be immediately enforceable and the Security Trustee may in its absolute discretion and without further notice to the Chargor or the prior authorisation of any court:

- (a) enforce all or any part of the Security created by this Charge and take possession of or dispose of all or any of the Secured Assets in each case at such times and upon such terms as it sees fit; and
- (b) whether or not the Security Trustee has appointed a Receiver, exercise all of the powers, authorities and discretions granted to a Receiver by this Charge or by law.

**8. POWERS OF THE SECURITY TRUSTEE****8.1 Power to remedy**

- (a) The Security Trustee shall be entitled (but shall not be obliged) to remedy, at any time, a breach by the Chargor of any of its obligations contained in this Charge.
- (b) The Chargor irrevocably authorises the Security Trustee and its agents to do all things that are necessary or desirable for that purpose.
- (c) Any monies expended by the Security Trustee in remedying a breach by the Chargor of its obligations contained in this Charge shall be reimbursed by the Chargor to the Security Trustee on a full indemnity basis and shall carry interest in accordance with Clause 21 (*Costs and Expenses*) of the Facility Agreement.

**8.2 Exercise of rights**

- (a) The rights of the Security Trustee under Clause 8.1 (*Power to remedy*) are without prejudice to any other rights of the Security Trustee under this Charge. The exercise of any rights of the Security Trustee under this Charge shall not make the Security Trustee liable to account as a mortgagee in possession.
- (b) The Security Trustee shall not, in connection with the Secured Assets, have any duty or incur any liability for:
  - (i) any loss on realisation;
  - (ii) any failure to present any interest coupon or other document in respect of the Secured Assets;
  - (iii) ascertaining or taking action in respect of any calls, instalments, conversions, exchanges, maturities, tenders or other matters relating to any Secured Assets or the nature or sufficiency of any payment whether or not the Security Trustee has or is deemed to have knowledge of such matters;
  - (iv) taking any necessary steps to preserve rights against prior parties or any other rights relating to any of the Secured Assets;
  - (v) any negligence or default by its nominees; or

- (vi) any other loss of any nature whatsoever arising as a result of the exercise or non-exercise of any rights or powers attaching or accruing to the Secured Assets which may be exercised by the Security Trustee (or its nominee).

### **8.3 Protection of interests**

The powers conferred on the Security Trustee by this Charge are solely to protect its interests in the Secured Assets and shall not impose any duty on the Security Trustee to exercise any of those powers.

### **8.4 Security Trustee has Receiver's powers**

To the extent permitted by law, any right, power or discretion conferred by law or by this Charge on a Receiver may, after the Security constituted by this Charge has become enforceable, be exercised by the Security Trustee in relation to any of the Secured Assets whether or not it has taken possession of any Secured Assets and without first appointing a Receiver or notwithstanding the appointment of a Receiver.

### **8.5 New accounts**

- (a) If the Security Trustee receives, or is deemed to have received, notice of any subsequent Security, or other interest, affecting all or part of the Secured Assets, the Security Trustee may open a new account for the Chargor in the Security Trustee's books. Without prejudice to the Security Trustee's right to combine accounts, no money paid to the credit of the Chargor in any such new account shall be appropriated towards, or have the effect of discharging, any part of the Secured Liabilities.
- (b) If the Security Trustee does not open a new account immediately on receipt of the notice, or deemed notice, under this Clause 8.5 (*New accounts*) then, unless the Security Trustee gives express written notice to the contrary to the Chargor, all payments made by the Chargor to the Security Trustee shall be treated as having been credited to a new account of the Chargor and not as having been applied in reduction of the Secured Liabilities, as from the time of receipt of the relevant notice by the Security Trustee.

### **8.6 Indulgence**

The Security Trustee may, at its discretion, grant time or other indulgence, or make any other arrangement, variation or release with any person not being a Party (whether or not any such person is jointly liable with the Chargor) in respect of any of the Secured Liabilities, or of any other security for them without prejudice either to this Charge or to the liability of the Chargor for the Secured Liabilities.

### **8.7 Appointment of an Administrator**

- (a) The Security Trustee may, without notice to the Chargor, appoint any one or more persons to be an Administrator of the Chargor pursuant to Paragraph 14 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 if the security constituted by this Charge becomes enforceable.
- (b) Any appointment under this Clause 8.7 (*Appointment of an Administrator*) shall:

- (i) be in writing signed by a duly authorised signatory of the Security Trustee; and
- (ii) take effect, in accordance with paragraph 19 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986.
- (c) The Security Trustee may apply to the court for an order removing an Administrator from office and may by notice in writing in accordance with this Clause 8.7 (*Appointment of an Administrator*) appoint a replacement for any Administrator who has died, resigned, been removed or who has vacated office upon ceasing to be qualified.

## **9. ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY**

### **9.1 Prior Security**

At any time after the Security constituted by this Charge has become enforceable, or after any powers conferred by any Security having priority to this Charge shall have become exercisable, the Security Trustee may:

- (a) redeem that or any other prior Security;
- (b) procure the transfer of that Security to it; and
- (c) settle and pass any account of the holder of any prior Security.

Any accounts so settled and passed shall be, in the absence of any manifest error, conclusive and binding on the Chargor. All monies paid by the Security Trustee to an encumbrancer in settlement of any of those accounts shall, as from its payment by the Security Trustee, be due from the Chargor to the Security Trustee on current account and shall bear interest at the default rate of interest specified in the Facility Agreement and be secured as part of the Secured Liabilities.

### **9.2 Protection of third parties**

- (a) No purchaser, mortgagee or other person dealing with the Security Trustee, any Receiver or Delegate shall be concerned to enquire:
  - (i) whether any of the Secured Liabilities have become due or payable, or remain unpaid or undischarged;
  - (ii) whether any power the Security Trustee, a Receiver or Delegate is purporting to exercise, pursuant to any Finance Document, has become exercisable or is properly exercisable;
  - (iii) whether any consents, directions, regulations or restrictions relating to such rights have been obtained or complied with;
  - (iv) otherwise as to the propriety or regularity of acts intended, or purporting, to be in exercise of any such rights; or
  - (v) as to the application of any money paid to the Security Trustee, any Receiver or any Delegate.

**9.3 No liability**

Neither the Security Trustee nor any Receiver or Delegate shall in any circumstances (either by reason of entering into or taking possession of any Secured Assets or for any other reason and whether as creditor, heritable creditor or mortgagee in possession or on any other basis) be liable to account to the Chargor for anything, except actual receipts, or be liable to the Chargor for any costs, charges, losses, liabilities or expenses arising from the realisation of any Charged Secured Assets or any of their respective officers, agents or employees in relation to the Secured Assets or from any exercise or purported exercise or non-exercise by the Security Trustee or any Receiver or Delegate of any power, authority or discretion provided by or pursuant to this Charge or by law or for any other loss of any nature whatsoever in connection with the Secured Assets, the Finance Documents or this Charge.

If the Security Trustee, any Receiver or any Delegate enters into or takes possession of the Secured Assets, it or he may, to the extent permitted by law and in accordance with applicable law, at any time relinquish possession.

**9.4 Conclusive discharge to purchasers**

The receipt of the Security Trustee or any Receiver or Delegate shall be a conclusive discharge to a purchaser and, in making any sale or other disposal of any of the Secured Assets or in making any acquisition in the exercise of their respective powers, the Security Trustee, every Receiver and Delegate may do so for any consideration, in any manner and on any terms that it or he thinks fit.

**9.5 Right of appropriation**

(a) To the extent that:

- (i) the Secured Assets constitute Financial Collateral; and
- (ii) this Charge and the obligations of the Chargor under it constitute a Security Financial Collateral Arrangement,

the Security Trustee shall have the right, at any time after the Security constituted by this Charge has become enforceable, to appropriate all or any of those Secured Assets in or towards the payment or discharge of the Secured Liabilities in any order that the Security Trustee may, in its absolute discretion, determine.

- (b) The value of any Secured Assets appropriated in accordance with this Clause shall be the price of those Secured Assets at the time the right of appropriation is exercised as listed on any recognised market index, or determined by any other method that the Security Trustee may select (including independent valuation).
- (c) The Chargor agrees that the methods of valuation provided for in this Clause are commercially reasonable for the purposes of the Financial Collateral Regulations.

**10. RECEIVER****10.1 Appointment**

At any time after the Security constituted by this Charge has become enforceable, or at the request of the Chargor, the Security Trustee may, without further notice, appoint by way of

deed, or otherwise in writing, any one or more persons to be a Receiver of all or any part of the Secured Assets.

## **10.2 Removal**

The Security Trustee may, without further notice (subject to section 45 of the Insolvency Act 1986), from time to time, by way of deed, or otherwise in writing, remove any Receiver appointed by it and may, whenever it thinks fit, appoint a new Receiver in the place of any Receiver whose appointment may for any reason have terminated.

## **10.3 Remuneration**

Subject to Section 58 of the Insolvency Act 1986, the Security Trustee may fix the remuneration of any Receiver appointed by it and the remuneration of the Receiver shall be a debt secured by this Charge which shall be due and payable immediately on its being paid by the Security Trustee.

## **10.4 Power of appointment additional to statutory powers**

The power to appoint a Receiver conferred by this Charge shall be in addition to all statutory and other powers of the Security Trustee under the Insolvency Act 1986 or otherwise.

## **10.5 Power of appointment exercisable despite prior appointments**

The power to appoint a Receiver (whether conferred by this Charge or by statute) shall be, and remain, exercisable by the Security Trustee despite any prior appointment in respect of all or any part of the Secured Assets.

## **10.6 Agent of the Chargor**

Any Receiver appointed by the Security Trustee under this Charge shall be the agent of the Chargor and the Chargor shall be solely responsible for the contracts, engagements, acts, omissions, defaults, losses and remuneration of that Receiver and for liabilities incurred by that Receiver. The agency of each Receiver shall continue until the Chargor goes into liquidation and after that the Receiver shall act as principal and shall not become the agent of the Security Trustee.

# **11. POWERS OF RECEIVER**

## **11.1 General**

- (a) Any Receiver appointed by the Security Trustee under this Charge shall, in addition to the powers conferred on him by statute, have the powers set out in this Charge and have all the powers of an administrative receiver set out in Schedule 2 to the Insolvency Act 1986 (whether or not the Receiver is an administrative receiver).
- (b) If there is more than one Receiver holding office at the same time, each Receiver may (unless the document appointing him states otherwise) exercise all of the powers conferred on a Receiver under this Charge individually and to the exclusion of any other Receiver.
- (c) Any exercise by a Receiver of any of the powers given by Clause 11 (*Powers of Receiver*) may be on behalf of the Chargor or himself.

**11.2 Employ personnel and advisors**

A Receiver may provide services and employ, or engage any managers, officers, servants, contractors, workmen, agents, other personnel and professional advisers on any terms, and subject to any conditions, that he thinks fit. A Receiver may discharge any such person or any such person appointed by the Chargor.

**11.3 Make VAT elections**

A Receiver may make, exercise or revoke any value added tax option to any Tax as he thinks fit.

**11.4 Remuneration**

A Receiver may charge and receive any sum by way of remuneration (in addition to all costs, charges and expenses incurred by him) that the Security Trustee may prescribe or agree with him.

**11.5 Realise Secured Assets**

A Receiver may collect and get in the Secured Assets or any part of them in respect of which he is appointed, and make any demands and take any proceedings as may seem expedient for that purpose, and take possession of the Secured Assets with like rights.

**11.6 Manage or reconstruct the Chargor's business**

A Receiver may carry on, manage, develop, reconstruct, amalgamate or diversify or concur in carrying on, managing, developing, reconstructing, amalgamating or diversifying the business of the Chargor.

**11.7 Disposal of Secured Assets**

A Receiver may sell, exchange, convert into money and realise all or any of the Secured Assets in respect of which he is appointed in any manner (including by public auction or private sale) and generally on any terms and conditions as he thinks fit. Any sale may be for any consideration that the Receiver thinks fit and a Receiver may promote, or concur in promoting, a company to purchase the Secured Assets to be sold.

**11.8 Valid receipts**

A Receiver may give valid receipt for all monies and execute all assurances and things that may be proper or desirable for realising any of the Secured Assets.

**11.9 Make settlements**

A Receiver may make any arrangement, settlement or compromise between the Chargor and any other person that he may think expedient.

**11.10 Bring proceedings**

A Receiver may bring, prosecute, enforce, defend and abandon all actions, suits and proceedings in relation to any of the Secured Assets as he thinks fit.

**11.11 Insure**

A Receiver may, if he thinks fit, but without prejudice to the indemnity in Clause 19.4 (*Indemnity to the Security Trustee*) of the Facility Agreement, effect with any insurer any policy of Insurance either in lieu or satisfaction of, or in addition to, the Insurance required to be maintained by the Chargor.

**11.12 Borrow**

A Receiver may, for any of the purposes authorised by this Clause 11 (*Powers of Receiver*), raise money by borrowing from the Security Trustee (or from any other person) either unsecured or on the Security of all or any of the Secured Assets in respect of which he is appointed on any terms that he thinks fit (including, if the Security Trustee consents, terms under which that security ranks in priority to this Charge).

**11.13 Redeem prior Security**

A Receiver may redeem any prior Security and settle and pass the accounts to which the Security relates. Any accounts so settled and passed shall be, in the absence of any manifest error, conclusive and binding on the Chargor, and the monies so paid shall be deemed to be an expense properly incurred by the Receiver.

**11.14 Absolute beneficial owner**

A Receiver may, in relation to any of the Secured Assets, exercise all powers, authorisations and rights he would be capable of exercising, and do all those acts and things, as an absolute beneficial owner could exercise or do in the ownership and management of the Secured Assets or any part of the Secured Assets.

**11.15 Incidental powers**

A Receiver may do any other acts and things:

- (a) that he may consider desirable or necessary for realising any of the Secured Assets;
- (b) that he may consider incidental or conducive to any of the rights or powers conferred on a Receiver under or by virtue of this Charge or law; and
- (c) that he lawfully may or can do as agent for the Chargor.

**12. DELEGATION****12.1 Delegation**

The Security Trustee or any Receiver may delegate (either generally or specifically) by power of attorney or in any other manner to any person any right, power, authority or discretion conferred on it by this Charge (including the power of attorney granted under Clause 14.1 (*Appointment of Attorneys*)).

**12.2 Terms**

The Security Trustee and each Receiver may make a delegation on the terms and conditions (including the power to sub-delegate) that it thinks fit.

**12.3 Liability**

Neither the Security Trustee nor any Receiver shall be in any way liable or responsible to the Chargor for any loss or liability arising from any act, default, omission or misconduct on the part of any Delegate.

**13. APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS****13.1 Order of application of proceeds**

All monies received or recovered by the Security Trustee, any Receiver or any Delegate pursuant to this Charge, after the security constituted by this Charge has become enforceable, shall (subject to the claims of any person having prior rights and to the terms of Section 60 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and other applicable laws) be applied in the following order of priority:

- (a) in or towards payment of or provision for all costs, charges, expenses, losses and liabilities of, or incurred by, or on behalf of, the Security Trustee (and any Receiver, Delegate, attorney or agent appointed by it) under, or in connection with, or incidental to, this Charge and the appointment of any Receiver or Delegate and the exercise of his rights, including his remuneration under or in connection with this Charge;
- (b) in or towards payment of or provision for the Secured Liabilities in accordance with Clause 32.1 (*Order of Application*) of the Facility Agreement; and
- (c) in payment of the surplus (if any) to the Chargor or other person entitled to it.

**13.2 Appropriation**

Neither the Security Trustee, any Receiver nor any Delegate shall be bound to pay or appropriate any receipt or payment first towards interest rather than principal or otherwise in any particular order between any of the Secured Liabilities.

**13.3 Suspense account**

All monies received by the Security Trustee, a Receiver or a Delegate under this Charge:

- (a) may, at the discretion of the Security Trustee, Receiver or Delegate, be credited to any suspense or securities realised account;
- (b) shall bear interest, if any, in accordance with Clause 13 (*Interest*) of the Facility Agreement; and
- (c) may be held in that account for so long as the Security Trustee, Receiver or Delegate thinks fit.

**14. POWER OF ATTORNEY****14.1 Appointment of attorneys**

By way of security, the Chargor irrevocably appoints the Security Trustee, every Receiver and every Delegate severally as its attorneys (with full power of substitution) in its name, on

its behalf, or otherwise, at such time and in such manner as the attorney thinks fit, to execute any documents, exercise any rights and do any acts and things that:

- (a) the Chargor is required to execute, exercise and do under any Finance Document to which it is a party (including to execute charges over, transfers, assignments and assurances of, and other instruments, notices, orders and directions relating to, the Secured Assets); and
- (b) any attorney deems proper or desirable in exercising any of the rights, powers, authorities and discretions conferred by this Charge or by law on the Security Trustee, any Receiver or any Delegate in relation to the Secured Assets or under any Finance Document, the Insolvency Act 1986 or any other applicable law,

the appointment of such power of attorney taking place on the date of this Charge but the powers of any such attorney exercisable pursuant to this Clause becoming exercisable only upon the occurrence of an Event of Default.

#### **14.2 Ratification of acts of attorneys**

The Chargor ratifies and confirms, and agrees to ratify and confirm, anything that any of its attorneys may do in the proper and lawful exercise, or purported exercise, of all or any of the rights, powers, authorities and discretions referred to in Clause 14.1 (*Appointment of Attorneys*).

### **15. RELEASE**

#### **15.1 Security Period**

Subject to Clause 15.2 (*Discharge conditional*), on the expiry of the Security Period (but not otherwise), the Security Trustee shall, at the request and cost of the Chargor, take whatever action is necessary to release the Secured Assets from the Security constituted by this Charge.

#### **15.2 Discharge conditional**

Any release, discharge or settlement between the Chargor and the Security Trustee shall be deemed conditional on no payment or Security received by the Security Trustee or any other Secured Party in respect of the Secured Liabilities being avoided, reduced or ordered to be refunded pursuant to any law relating to insolvency, bankruptcy, winding-up, administration, receivership or otherwise. Despite any such release, discharge or settlement:

- (a) the Security Trustee or its nominee may retain this Charge and the Security created by or pursuant to it, including all certificates and documents relating to the whole or any part of the Secured Assets, for any period that the Security Trustee deems necessary to provide the Security Trustee with security against any such avoidance, reduction or order for refund; and
- (b) the Security Trustee may recover the value or amount of such Security or payment from the Chargor subsequently as if the release, discharge or settlement had not occurred.

**16. ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER****16.1 Assignment by Security Trustee**

- (a) At any time, without the consent of the Chargor, the Security Trustee may assign or transfer the whole or any part of the Security Trustee's rights and/or obligations under this Charge to any person.
- (b) The Security Trustee may disclose to any actual or proposed assignee or transferee any information about the Chargor, the Secured Assets and this Charge that the Security Trustee considers appropriate.

**16.2 Assignment by Chargor**

The Chargor may not assign any of its rights, or transfer any of its obligations, under this Charge, or enter into any transaction that would result in any of those rights or obligations passing to another person.

**17. FURTHER PROVISIONS****17.1 Independent security**

This Charge shall be in addition to, and independent of, any other security or guarantee that the Security Trustee may hold for any of the Secured Liabilities at any time. No prior security held by the Security Trustee or any other Secured Party over the whole or any part of the Secured Assets shall merge in the security created by this Charge.

**17.2 Continuing security**

This Charge shall remain in full force and effect as a continuing security for the Secured Liabilities, notwithstanding any settlement of account, or intermediate payment, or other matter or thing, unless and until the Security Trustee discharges this Charge in writing.

**17.3 Certificates**

A certificate or determination by the Security Trustee as to any rate or amount for the time being due to it from the Chargor under this Charge shall be, in the absence of any manifest error, conclusive evidence of the matters to which it relates.

**17.4 Partial invalidity**

If, at any time, any provision of this Charge is or becomes illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under any law of any jurisdiction, neither the legality, validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions nor the legality, validity or enforceability of such provision under the law of any other jurisdiction will in any way be affected or impaired.

**17.5 Remedies and waivers**

No failure to exercise, nor any delay in exercising, on the part of any Secured Party any right or remedy under this Charge shall operate as a waiver of any such right or remedy or constitute an election to affirm this Charge. No election to affirm this Charge on the part of any Secured Party shall be effective unless it is in writing. No single or partial exercise of any right or remedy shall prevent any further or other exercise or the exercise of any other

right or remedy. The rights and remedies provided in this Charge are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights or remedies provided by law.

#### 17.6 **Property**

This Charge is and will remain the property of the Security Trustee.

#### 17.7 **Amendments**

Clause 43 (*Amendments and waivers*) of the Facility Agreement shall apply to this Charge *mutatis mutandis* as if the same had been set out herein in full.

#### 17.8 **Indemnity**

- (a) The Chargor shall promptly indemnify the Security Trustee and every Receiver and Delegate against any cost, loss or liability incurred by any of them as a result of:
  - (i) any failure by any Obligor to comply with Clause 21 (*Costs and expenses*) of the Facility Agreement;
  - (ii) acting or relying on any notice, request or instruction which it reasonably believes to be genuine, correct and appropriately authorised;
  - (iii) the taking, holding, protection or enforcement of the Security created pursuant to this Charge;
  - (iv) the exercise of any of the rights, powers, discretions, authorities and remedies vested in the Security Trustee and each Receiver and Delegate by this Charge or by law;
  - (v) acting as Security Trustee, Receiver or Delegate under this Charge or which otherwise relates to any of the Secured Assets (otherwise, in each case, than by reason of the relevant Security Trustee's, Receiver's or Delegate's gross negligence or wilful misconduct).
- (b) The Security Trustee and every Receiver, attorney, delegate, manager, agent or other person appointed by the Security Trustee (each a "**Relevant Person**") hereunder shall be entitled to be indemnified out of the Secured Assets or any part thereof in respect of all liabilities and expenses incurred by it or him in the execution of any of the powers, authorities or discretions vested in it or him pursuant to this Charge and against all actions, proceedings, costs, claims and demands in respect of any matter or thing done or omitted in any way relating to the Secured Assets or any part of them (other than by reason of such Relevant Person's gross negligence or wilful misconduct). The Security Trustee and any such Receiver may retain and pay all sums in respect of which it is indemnified out of any monies received by it under the powers conferred by this Charge.
- (c) The Chargor expressly acknowledges and agrees that the continuation of its indemnity obligations under this Clause 17.8 will not be prejudiced by any release of Security or disposal of assets.

**17.9 Set off**

All payments to be made by the Chargor under this Charge shall be made without any setoff, counterclaim or equity and (subject to the following sentence) free from, clear of and without deduction for any taxes, duties, levies, imposts or charges whatsoever, present or future. If the Chargor is compelled by the law of any applicable jurisdiction (or by an order of any regulatory authority in such jurisdiction) to withhold or deduct any sums in respect of taxes, duties, levies, imposts or charges from any amount payable to the Security Trustee under this Charge or, if any such withholding or deduction is made in respect of any recovery under this Charge, the Chargor shall pay such additional amount so as to ensure that the net amount received by the Security Trustee shall equal the full amount due to it under the provisions of this Charge had no such withholding or deduction been made.

**17.10 Stamp Taxes**

The Chargor shall pay and, within three Business Days of demand, indemnify the Security Trustee against any cost, loss or liability the Security Trustee incurs in relation to all stamp duty, registration and other similar Taxes payable in respect of this Charge.

**18. CONSENT TO REGISTRATION**

The Chargor consents to the registration of this Charge and each certificate referred to in Clause 17.3 (*Certificates*) for preservation.

**19. DATE AND DELIVERY**

The date of delivery of this Charge is the date inserted at the start of this Charge.

**20. NOTICES**

Clause 39 (*Notices*) of the Facility Agreement shall apply to this Charge *mutatis mutandis* as if the same had been set out herein in full.

**21. GOVERNING LAW**

This Charge and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of Scotland.

**22. ENFORCEMENT**

**22.1 Jurisdiction of Scottish courts**

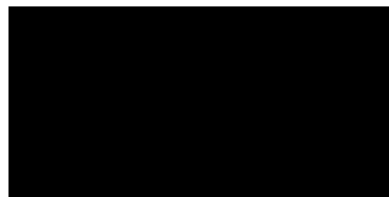
- (a) The courts of Scotland have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Charge (including a dispute relating to the existence, validity or termination of this Charge or any non-contractual obligation arising out of or in connection with this Charge) (a "**Dispute**").
- (b) The Parties agree that the courts of Scotland are the most appropriate and convenient courts to settle Disputes and accordingly no Party will argue to the contrary.
- (c) This Clause 22.1 is for the benefit of the Security Trustee only. As a result, the Security Trustee shall not be prevented from taking proceedings relating to a Dispute in any other courts with jurisdiction. To the extent allowed by law, the Security Trustee may take concurrent proceedings in any number of jurisdictions.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** these presents consisting of this and the preceding 20 pages are executed as follows and is delivered and takes effect on the date stated at the beginning of this Charge.

**Signature**

Subscribed by )  
**VERUS PETROLEUM HOLDING**  
**LIMITED**

on being signed by: )  
 ..... ALAN O'NEILL ..... )  
 and ..... DAVID JOHN CAIR ..... )



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Director

at Aberdeen on 19 November 2018