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Date: May 14, 2021

To: **Board of Oil & Gas Conservation State of Montana**
Attn: Jim Halvorson

From: Uriah J. Price

Re: ***Grayson Mill Energy, LLC – Demand for Opportunity to be Heard concerning Bison Oil & Gas III, LLC’s Application for Permit to Drill***

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E-MAIL AND FAX

Mr. Jim Halvorson
Administrator
Board of Oil & Gas Conservation
State of Montana
2535 St. Jon's Avenue
Billings, Montana 59102-4693
Fax No. (406) 652-5305

RE: Grayson Mill Energy, LLC – Demand for Opportunity to be Heard concerning
Bison Oil & Gas III, LLC's Application for Permit to Drill

To Jim:

Pursuant to A.R.M. § 36.22.601, enclosed please find a Demand for Opportunity to be Heard, filed on behalf of Grayson Mill Energy, LLC, and concerning an APD filed by Bison Oil & Gas III, LLC. A Certificate of Service is attached to the Demand.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have questions.

Best Regards,



Uriah J. Price

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA**

<p>REGARDING BISON OIL AND GAS III, LLC'S APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OIL AND GAS WELL, IN A PROPOSED OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 59 EAST, SECTIONS 18, 19 & 30, AS PUBLISHED IN THE SIDNEY HERALD AND THE HELENA INDEPENDENT ON MAY 9, 2021</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DEMAND FOR OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD CONCERNING BISON OIL AND GAS III, LLC'S APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL</p>
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Pursuant to Montana Administrative Rule § 36.22.601, Grayson Mill Energy, LLC, 1160 Dairy Ashford, Suite 140, Houston, Texas 77079, Phone No. 832-271-7438 ("GME"), demands an opportunity to be heard concerning an application for permit to drill shown in the Notice of Intention to Apply for Permit to Drill Oil and Gas Well, published by Bison Oil and Gas III, LLC ("Bison") in the Sidney Herald and the Helena Independent on May 9, 2021 ("APDs"). The APD is for a well to be drilled within an overlapping temporary spacing unit, as proposed by Bison, comprised of Sections 18, 19 & 30, Township 26 North, Range 59 East ("Proposed Overlapping TSU"). This demand is timely per A.R.M. § 36.22.601(6)(d). *Enclosed is a copy of Bison's Published Notice in the Sidney Herald with the Section 18, 19 and 30 APD Notice highlighted.*

1. GME currently owns 44% working interest in the underlying permanent spacing unit, comprised of Sections 19 and 30, Township 26 North, Range 59 East, established via Board Order 65-2011 ("PSU").
2. GME operates/will operate the Johnson 30-19 1H well located within the PSU ("Well") and owns an 80% before payout working interest and a 44% after payout working interest in the Well.
3. Pursuant to Board Order 476-2011, GME has authority to permit and drill up to four additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells within the PSU.
4. Upon information and belief, Bison currently owns 0% working interest in the PSU.
5. Upon information and belief, Bison filed an application with the Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation ("Board") to create the Proposed Overlapping TSU, along with an application requesting approval to drill an additional 3 wells within the Proposed Overlapping TSU. The Proposed Overlapping TSU overlaps GME's entire PSU.
6. GME requests a hearing regarding the issuance of Bison's permits to drill for specific reasons that include but are not limited to:
 - a. GME must ensure that its leasehold interests, its Well, and its right to drill infill wells in the PSU are protected. Based on the information provided in the Notices, GME has significant concerns regarding the development proposed by Bison, and the impact those operations will have on GME's rights in the PSU, the Well, its current operations, and future operations in the PSU.


- b. To ensure that the field is developed in an orderly manner that promotes maximum efficient recovery. GME is equally concerned about the development pattern illustrated by the surface and bottom hole location provided in the Notice. Despite requesting a 1920-acre Proposed Overlapping TSU, the well at issue appears to be a single mile lateral. A one-mile lateral in a three mile Overlapping TSU is certainly not in the interest of conservation and would not protect correlative rights.
- c. GME currently operates the Well, has an established surface location, has approval to further develop the PSU, and is familiar with operations in the PSU and the field, GME owns 44% of the working interest in the PSU – in relation to Bison’s 0% – and has made significant investments in the PSU. If Bison’s permit is approved and the Proposed Overlapping TSU is developed, GME’s ability to develop the majority leasehold interest in the PSU while protecting its capital investments will be adversely impacted.

WHEREFORE, GME respectfully requests the following relief:

- 1. That Bison’s APD be referred to the Board for notice and public hearing as required per A.R.M. § 36.22.601(4)(a).
- 2. That after hearing the Board enter an Order denying Bison’s permit.
- 3. For such other relief as the Board may deem appropriate.

Dated this 14th day of May, 2021.

Grayson Mill Energy, LLC

By  _____
 Uriah J. Price, Its Attorney

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, URIAH J. PRICE, in accordance with A.R.M. § 36.22.601(6)(e), hereby certify that the foregoing demand for opportunity to be heard was served on this 14th day of May, 2021 on the following:

By FAX to:

Mr. Jim Halvorson
Administrator
Board of Oil & Gas Conservation
2535 St. Johns Avenue
Billings, MT 59102
Fax No. (406) 652-5305

*With a copy sent via electronic mail to
Mr. Jim Halvorson at: jhalvorson@mt.gov*

By Certified Mail to:

Bison Oil & Gas III, LLC
518 17th St. Suite 1800
Denver, CO 80202

*With a copy sent via electronic mail to
Bison's legal counsel Ms. Kelley Huemoeller
Lewis at: klh@klhadvisors.com*

By: URJ
Uriah J. Price

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Notice to Debitors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or such claims will be forever barred.

CLAIMS MUST BE FILED TO LACEY MADSON, C/O LAWSTON LAW OFFICE, P.C., SUITE 1020, 1000 W. 2ND AVENUE, SPOKANE, MONTANA 59201, AT THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE COURT.

I, DEBRA L. UNDERHILL, Clerk of the District Court of the State of Montana, do hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 10th day of April, 2021, at Sidney, Montana County, Montana.

Lacey Madson, Personal Representative of the Estate of Ann S. Fisher, Deceased.
MADSLP - Published April 28, May 2, & 9, 2021 390293

Patricia Madson, District Court Lady
Third Judicial District 100 Main St., Sidney, MT 59711
406-663-4524

MONTANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT DEER LODGE COUNTY

IN RE THE ESTATE OF

K.A. YOUTH IN TRUST OF CARE.

Case No. 09-21-017

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

TO: RACHELLE BURDICK YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-named Court by the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, Child and Family Services Division, and the Department of Social and Family Services, Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Youth in Trust of Care and the Department of Family and Community Services, and that the Department was granted an Order Adversely Affecting Youth in Trust of Care and Granting Temporary Legal Custody of K.A.

NOW, THEREFORE YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to appear on Wednesday, the 26th day of May, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at the District Court of the above-named County at the Courthouse, Deer Lodge County, Montana, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why said Youth should not be declared a Youth in Trust of Care and why the Department should not be granted Temporary Legal Custody.

The Youth was born on April 25, 2017, in Sidney, Montana. The Youth lives in Deer Lodge County, the birth father is unknown.

You have the right to be represented by a lawyer in these proceedings. If you are unable to afford an attorney, the Court will appoint an attorney to represent you. Your failure to appear at the hearing could result in a denial of your interest in the above-named Child. 9500-01

Public Notice
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF GEOLOGICAL EXPLORATION CITY OF SIDNEY, MONTANA WEST HOLLY WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

April 24, 2020

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has reviewed the above-named project. The project consists of installing approximately 3400 feet of 12 inch Class II pipe to replace existing 12 inch Class I pipe and associated water main and fire hydrants, and all associated valves, fittings, street boxes, service connections, and surface repair. The proposed project will replace old and underground water main primarily along the following street:

- West Holly Street from 15th Avenue North to 2nd Street North
- 15th Avenue North from West Holly to Stockman Bank

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Public Notice
NOTIFICATION TO ALL CITIZENS IN SIDNEY

The Sidney City Council will be having a Special City Council Meeting Monday May 24th, 2021 at 6:00 pm to receive and authorize the bids for the West Holly Water Project.

On the 23rd day of April, 2021
Brenda Ann Shultz
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
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