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**PAID-UP  
OIL & GAS LEASE**

This lease, made this 10th day of June, 2008 by and between Douglas R. Malick, a single man, HC 71 Box 15, Augusta, WV 26704-0000, hereinafter collectively called "Lessor", and Chesapeake Appalachia L.L.C., 900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Charleston, WV 25302, hereinafter called "Lessee".

WITNESSETH, That for and in consideration of the premises, and of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the Lessor and Lessee agree as follows:

**LEASING CLAUSE.** Lessor hereby leases exclusively to Lessee all the oil and gas including, but not limited to coal seam gas, coalbed methane gas, coalbed gas, methane gas, gob gas, occluded methane/natural gas and all associated natural gas and other hydrocarbons and non-hydrocarbons contained in, associated with, emitting from, or produced/originating within any formation, gob area, mine-out area, coal seam, and all communicating zones, and their liquid gaseous constituents, whether hydrocarbon or non-hydrocarbon, underlying the land herein leased, together with such exclusive rights as may be necessary or convenient for Lessee, at its election, to explore for, develop, produce, measure, and market production from the Leasehold, and from adjoining lands, using methods and techniques which are not restricted to current technology, including the right to conduct geophysical and other exploratory tests; to drill, maintain, operate, cease to operate, plug, abandon, and remove wells; to use or install roads, electric power and telephone facilities, and to construct pipelines with appurtenant facilities, including data acquisition, compression and collection facilities for use in the production and transportation of products from the Leasehold or from neighboring lands across the Leasehold, including any extension of this agreement as provided herein; to use oil, gas, and non-domestic water sources, free of cost, to store gas of any kind underground, regardless of the source thereof, including the injecting of gas therein and removing the same therefrom; to protect stored gas; to operate, maintain, repair, and remove material and equipment.

**DESCRIPTION.** The Leasehold is located in the District of Sherman, Hampshire County, West Virginia, and described as follows:

"SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS LEASE"

and described for the purposes of this agreement as containing a total of 149.7620000 acres, whether actually more or less, including contiguous lands owned by Lessor. This Lease also covers and includes, in addition to that above described, all land, if any, contiguous or adjacent to or adjoining the land above described and (a) owned or claimed by Lessor, by limitation, prescription, possession, reversion or unrecorded instrument or (b) as to which Lessor has a preference right of acquisition. Lessor agrees to execute any supplemental instrument requested by Lessee for a more complete or accurate description of said land. For the purpose of determining the amount of any bonus or other payment hereunder, said lease shall be deemed to contain 149.7620000 acres, whether containing more or less, and the above recital of acreage in any tract shall be deemed to be the true acreage thereof. Lessor accepts the bonus as complete consideration for this Lease and all rights and options hereunder.

**LEASE TERM.** This Lease shall remain in force for a primary of 10 Years from 12:00 AM, 06/10/2008 (effective date) to and including 11:59 P.M., 06/10/2018 (last day of primary term) and shall continue beyond the primary term as to the entirety of the Leasehold if any of the following is satisfied: (i) operations are conducted on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith in search of oil, gas, or their constituents, or (ii) a well deemed by Lessee to be capable of production is located on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith, or (iii) oil or gas, or their constituents, are produced from the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith, or (iv) if the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith is used for the underground storage of gas, or for the protection of stored gas, or (v) if prescribed payments are made.

If Lessee's operations are delayed or interrupted as a result of any coal mining or coal related operations under any existing and effective coal lease, then such delay will automatically extend the primary term of this Lease for a period of time equal to any delay or interruption.

If there is any dispute concerning the extension of this Lease beyond the primary term by reason of any of the alternative mechanisms specified herein, the payment to the Lessor of the prescribed payments provided below shall be conclusive evidence that the Lease has been extended beyond the primary term.

**NO AUTOMATIC TERMINATION OR FORFEITURE.**

(A) **CONSTRUCTION OF LEASE:** The language of this Lease (including, but not limited to, the Lease Term and Extension of Term clauses) shall never be read as language of special limitation. This Lease shall be construed against termination, forfeiture, cancellation or expiration and in favor of giving effect to the continuation of this Lease where the circumstances exist to maintain this Lease in effect under any of the alternative mechanisms set forth above. In connection therewith, (i) a well shall be deemed to be capable of production, and (ii) the Lessee shall be deemed to be conducting operations in search of oil or gas, or their constituents, if the Lessee is engaged in geophysical and other exploratory work including, but not limited to, activities to drill an initial well, to drill a new well, or to rework, stimulate, deepen, sidetrack, frac, plug back in the same or different formation or repair a well or equipment on the Leasehold or any lands pooled/unitized therewith (such activities shall include, but not be limited to, performing any preliminary or preparatory work necessary for drilling, conducting internal technical analysis to initiate and/or further develop a well, obtaining permits and approvals associated therewith and may include reasonable gaps in activities provided that there is a continuum of activities showing a good faith effort to develop a well or that the cessation or interruption of activities was beyond the control of Lessee, including interruptions caused by the acts of third parties over whom Lessee has no control or regulatory delays associated with any approval process required for conducting such activities).

(B) **LIMITATION OF FORFEITURE:** This Lease shall never be subject to a civil action or proceeding to enforce a claim of termination, cancellation, expiration or forfeiture due to any action or inaction by the Lessee, including, but not limited to making any prescribed payments authorized under the terms this Lease, unless the Lessee has received written notice of Lessor's demand and thereafter fails or refuses to satisfy or provide justification responding to Lessor's demand within 60 days from the receipt of such notice. If Lessee timely responds to Lessor's demand, but in good faith disagrees with Lessor's position and sets forth the reasons therefore, such a response shall be deemed to satisfy this provision, this Lease shall continue in full force and effect and no further damages (or other claims for relief) will accrue in Lessor's favor during the pendency of the dispute, other than claims for payments that may be due under the terms of this Lease.

**PAYMENTS TO LESSOR.** Lessee covenants to pay Lessor, proportionate to Lessor's percentage of ownership, as follows:

(A) **DELAY RENTAL:** To pay Lessor as Delay Rental, after the first year, at the rate of \$4.00 dollars per net mineral acre as assessed for property taxation purposes, per year payable in advance. **The parties hereto agree that this is a Paid-Up Lease with no further Delay Rental and/or Delay in Marketing payments due Lessor during the primary term hereof.**

(B) **ROYALTY:** To pay Lessor as Royalty, less all taxes, assessments, and adjustments on production from the Leasehold, as follows:

1. **OIL:** To deliver to the credit of Lessor, free of cost, a Royalty of the equal one-eighth (1/8) part of all oil and any constituents thereof produced and marketed from the Leasehold.

2. **GAS:** To pay Lessor on actual volumes of gas sold or used from said land (a) when sold by Lessee, equal one-eighth (1/8) of the net amount realized by Lessee, computed at the wellhead, or (b) when used by Lessee, equal one-eighth (1/8) of the net market value at the wellhead of the gas so used. As used in this lease, the term "net amount realized by Lessee, computed at the wellhead" shall mean the gross proceeds received by Lessee from the sale of oil and gas minus post-production costs incurred by Lessee between the wellhead and the point of sale, and the term "net market value at the wellhead" shall mean the current market value (at the time of production) of the gas at a market point where gas produced in the general area is commonly purchased and sold, minus the post-production costs that would be incurred by Lessee between the wellhead and such market point in order to realize that market value. As used in this Lease, the term "post-production costs" shall mean all costs and expense of (a) treating and processing oil and/or gas, and (b) separating liquid hydrocarbons from gas, other than condensate separated at the well, and (c) transporting oil and/or gas, including but not limited to transportation between the wellhead and any production or treating facilities, and transportation to the point of sale, and (d) compressing gas for transportation and delivery purposes, and (e) metering oil and/or gas to determine the amount sold and/or the amount used by Lessee, and (f) sales charges, commissions and fees paid to third parties (whether or not affiliated) in connection with the sale of the gas, and (g) any and all other costs and expenses of any kind or nature incurred in regard to the gas, or the handling thereof, between the wellhead and the point of sale. Lessee may use its own pipelines and equipment to provide such treating, processing, separating, transportation, compression and metering services, or it may engage others to provide such services; and if Lessee uses its own pipelines and/or equipment, post-production costs shall include without limitation reasonable depreciation and amortization expenses relating to such facilities, together with Lessee's cost of capital and a reasonable return on its investment in such facilities. Prior to payment of royalty, Lessor shall execute a Division Order certifying Lessor's interest in production. Lessee may pay all taxes and fees levied upon the oil and as produced, including, without limitation, severance taxes and privilege and surveillance fees, and deduct a proportionate share of the amount so paid from any monies payable to Lessor hereunder. Lessee may withhold Royalty payment until such time as the total withheld exceeds fifty dollars (\$50.00).

(C) **DELAY IN MARKETING:** In the event that Lessee drills a well on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith that Lessee deems to be capable of production, but does not market producible gas, oil, or their constituents therefrom and there is no other basis for extending this Lease, Lessee shall pay after the primary term and until such time as marketing is established (or Lessee surrenders the Lease) a Delay in Marketing payment equal in amount and frequency to the annual Delay Rental payment, and this Lease shall remain in full force and effect to the same extent as payment of Royalty.

(D) **SHUT-IN:** In the event that production of oil, gas, or their constituents is interrupted and not marketed for a period of six months, and there is no producing well on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith, Lessee shall thereafter, as Royalty for constructive production, pay a Shut-in Royalty equal in amount and frequency to the annual Delay Rental payment until such time as production is re-established (or Lessee surrenders the Lease) and this Lease shall remain in full force and effect. During Shut-in, Lessee shall have the right to rework, stimulate, or deepen any well on the Leasehold or to drill a new well on the Leasehold in an effort to re-establish production, whether from an original producing formation or from a different formation. In the event that the production from the only producing well on the Leasehold is interrupted for a period of less than six months, this Lease shall remain in full force and effect without payment of Royalty or Shut-in Royalty.

(E) **DAMAGES:** Lessee will remove unnecessary equipment and materials and reclaim all disturbed lands at the completion of activities, and Lessee agrees to repair any damaged improvements to the land and pay for the loss of crops or marketable timber.

(F) **MANNER OF PAYMENT:** Lessee shall make or tender all payments due hereunder by check, payable to Lessor, at Lessor's last known address, and Lessee may withhold any payment pending notification by Lessor of a change in address. Payment may be tendered by mail or any comparable method (e.g., Federal Express), and payment is deemed complete upon mailing or dispatch. Where the due date for any payment specified herein falls on a holiday, Saturday or Sunday, payment tendered (mailed or dispatched) on the next business day is timely.

(G) **CHANGE IN LAND OWNERSHIP:** Lessee shall not be bound by any change in the ownership of the Leasehold until furnished with such documentation as Lessee may reasonably require. Pending the receipt of documentation, Lessee may elect either to continue to make or withhold payments as if such a change had not occurred.

(H) **TITLE:** If Lessee receives evidence that Lessor does not have title to all or any part of the rights herein leased, Lessee may immediately withhold payments that would be otherwise due and payable hereunder to Lessor until the adverse claim is fully resolved.

(I) **LIENS:** Lessee may at its option pay and discharge any past due taxes, mortgages, judgments, or other liens and encumbrances on or against any land or interest included in the Leasehold; and Lessee shall be entitled to recover from the debtor, with legal interest and costs, by deduction from any future payments to Lessor or by any other lawful means.

(J) **CHARACTERIZATION OF PAYMENTS:** Payments set forth herein are covenants, not special limitations, regardless of the manner in which these payments may be invoked. Any failure on the part of the Lessee to timely or otherwise properly tender payment can never result in an automatic termination, expiration, cancellation, or forfeiture of this Lease. Lessor recognizes and acknowledges that oil and gas lease payments, in the form of rental, bonus and royalty, can vary depending on multiple factors and that this Lease is the product of good faith negotiations. Lessor hereby agrees that the payment terms, as set forth herein, and any bonus payments paid to Lessor constitute full consideration for the Leasehold. Lessor further agrees that such payment terms and bonus payments are final and that Lessor will not seek to amend or modify the lease payments, seek additional consideration or register any complaint based upon any differing terms which Lessee has or will negotiate with any other lessor/oil and gas owner.

(K) **PAYMENT REDUCTIONS:** If Lessor owns a lesser interest in the oil or gas than the entire undivided fee simple estate, then the rentals (except for Delay Rental payments as set forth above), royalties and shut-in royalties hereunder shall be paid to Lessor only in the proportion which Lessor's interest bears to the whole and undivided fee.

**UNITIZATION AND POOLING.** Lessor grants Lessee the right to pool, unitize, or combine all or parts of the Leasehold with other lands, whether contiguous or not contiguous, leased or unleased, whether owned by Lessee or by others, at a time before or after drilling to create drilling or production units either by contract right or pursuant to governmental authorization. Pooling or unitizing in one or more instance shall not exhaust Lessee's pooling and unitizing rights hereunder, and Lessee is granted the right to change the size, shape, and conditions of operation or payment of any unit created. Lessor agrees to accept and receive out of the production or the revenue realized from the production of such unit, such proportional share of the Royalty from each unit well as the number of Leasehold acres included in the unit bears to the total number of acres in the unit. Otherwise, as to any part of the unit, drilling, operations in preparation for drilling, production, or shut-in production from the unit, or payment of Royalty, Shut in Royalty, Delay in Marketing payment or Delay Rental attributable to any part of the unit (including non-Leasehold land) shall have the same effect upon the terms of this Lease as if a well were located on, or the subject activity attributable to, the Leasehold.

**FACILITIES.** Lessee shall not drill a well within 200 feet of any structure located on the Leasehold without Lessor's written consent. Lessor shall not erect any building or structure, or plant any trees within 200 feet of a well or within 25 feet of a

pipeline without Lessee's written consent. Lessor shall not improve, modify, degrade, or restrict roads and facilities built by Lessee without Lessee's written consent.

**CONVERSION TO STORAGE.** Lessee is hereby granted the right to convert the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith to gas storage. At the time of conversion, Lessee shall pay Lessor's proportionate part for the estimated recoverable gas remaining in the well drilled pursuant to this Lease using methods of calculating gas reserves as are generally accepted by the natural gas industry and, in the event that all wells on the Leasehold and/or lands pooled/unitized therewith have permanently ceased production, Lessor shall be paid a Conversion to storage payment in an amount equal to Delay Rental for as long thereafter as the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith is used for gas storage or for protection of gas storage; such Conversion to Storage payment shall first become due upon the next ensuing Delay Rental anniversary date. The use of any part of the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith for the underground storage of gas, or for the protection of stored gas will extend this Lease beyond the primary term as to all rights granted by this Lease, including but not limited to production rights, regardless of whether the production and storage rights are owned together or separately.

**TITLE AND INTERESTS.** Lessor hereby warrants generally and agrees to defend title to the Leasehold and covenants that Lessee shall have quiet enjoyment hereunder and shall have benefit of the doctrine of after acquired title. Should any person having title to the Leasehold fail to execute this Lease, the Lease shall nevertheless be binding upon all persons who do execute it as Lessor.

**LEASE DEVELOPMENT.** There is no implied covenant to develop or market within the primary term or any extension of term of this Lease. There is no covenant to develop the Leasehold within a certain time frame, and there shall be no Leasehold forfeiture, termination, expiration or cancellation for failure to comply with the implied covenant to produce. Provisions herein, including, but not limited to, the prescribed payments, constitute full compensation for the privileges herein granted.

**COVENANTS.** This Lease and its expressed or implied covenants shall not be subject to termination, forfeiture of rights, or damages due to failure to comply with obligations if compliance is effectively prevented by federal, state, or local law, regulation, or decree, or the acts God and/or third parties over whom Lessee has not control.

**RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL.** If at any time within the primary term of this lease or any continuation thereof, Lessor receives any bona fide offer, acceptable to Lessor, to grant an additional lease (Top Lease) covering all or part of the Leasehold, Lessee shall have the continuing option by meeting any such offer to acquire a Top Lease on equivalent terms and conditions. Any offer must be in writing and must set forth the proposed Lessee's name, bonus consideration and royalty consideration to be paid for such Top Lease, and include a copy of the lease form to be utilized reflecting all pertinent and relevant terms and conditions of the Top Lease. Lessee shall have fifteen (15) days after receipt from Lessor of a complete copy of any such offer to advise Lessor in writing of its election to enter into an oil and gas lease with Lessor on equivalent terms and conditions. If Lessee fails to notify Lessor within the aforesaid fifteen (15) day period of its election to meet any such bona fide offer, Lessor shall have the right to accept said offer. Any Top Lease granted by Lessor in violation of this provision shall be null and void.

**ARBITRATION** In the event of a disagreement between Lessor and Lessee concerning this Lease, performance thereunder, or damages cause by Lessee's operations, the resolution of all such disputes shall be determined by arbitration in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association. All fees and costs associated with arbitration shall be borne equally between Lessor and Lessee.

**ENTIRE CONTRACT.** The entire agreement between Lessor and Lessee is embodied herein. No oral warranties, representations, or promises have been made or relied upon by either party as an inducement to or modification of this Lease.

**SURRENDER.** Lessee, at any time, and from time to time, may surrender and cancel this Lease as to all or any part of the Leasehold by recording a Surrender of Lease and thereupon this Lease, and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder, shall terminate as to the part so surrendered; provided, however, that upon each surrender as to any part of the Leasehold, Lessee shall have reasonable and convenient easements for then existing wells, pipelines, poll lines, roadways and other facilities on the lands surrendered.

**SUCCESSORS.** All rights, duties, and liabilities herein benefit and bind Lessor and Lessee and their heirs, successors, and assigns.

**FORCE MAJEURE.** When drilling, reworking, production or other operations hereunder, or Lessee's fulfillment of its obligations hereunder are prevented or delayed by such laws, rules, regulations or orders, or by inability to obtain necessary permits, equipment, services, material, water, electricity, fuel, access or easements, or by fire, flood, adverse weather conditions, war, sabotage, rebellion, insurrection, riot, strike or labor disputes, or by inability to obtain a satisfactory market for production or failure of purchasers or carriers to take or transport such production, or by any other cause not reasonably within Lessee's control, this Lease shall not terminate because of such prevention or delay, and, at Lessee's option, the period of such prevention or delay shall be added to the term hereof. Lessee shall not be liable for breach of any provisions or implied covenants of this Lease when drilling, production or other operations are so prevented or delayed.

**SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this Lease is held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect. Any provision of this Agreement held invalid or unenforceable only in part or degree will remain in full force and effect to the extent not held invalid or unenforceable.

**COUNTERPARTS.** This Lease may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to an original copy of this Lease and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we sign this 18 day of June, 2008

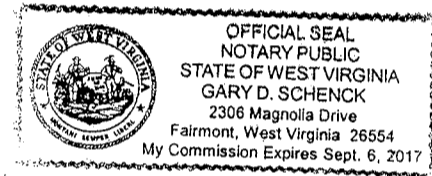
Douglas R. Malick  
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State of West Virginia  
County of Hampershire

On this the 18 day of June, 2008, before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Douglas R. Malick, who, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission Expires: Sept 6, 2017  
Signature/Notary Public: Gary D. Schenck  
Name/Notary Public (print): GARY D. SCHENCK



This instrument prepared by T. S. Dudley Land Company, Inc, After Recording, please return to:  
T. S. Dudley Land Company, Inc  
5925 North Robinson Avenue  
Oklahoma City OK, 73118-0000

TSDI LPR# 08-10579-1801

## EXHIBIT "A"

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THIS EXHIBIT "A" attached hereto and made a part of that certain "Oil & Gas Mineral Lease" dated the 10th day of June, 2008 by and between Douglas R. Malick, a single man, as Lessor and Chesapeake Appalachia L.L.C., as Lessee.

## LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

15.6790000 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed Book 453, Page 454, dated 03-08-2006, from James E. Miller, II and Susan Britt-Miller, to Douglas R. Malick, also described as Sherman Tax District (0009), Map 38, Parcel Number 11.2. Tax Parcel Id Number 09-38-11.2.

86.5030000 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed Book 378, Page 563, dated 08-08-1997, from Shiela G. Malick, to Douglas R. Malick, also described as Sherman Tax District (0009), Map 38, Parcel Number 14. Tax Parcel Id Number 09-38-14.

47.5800000 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed Book 378, Page 456, dated 08-08-1997, from Sheila G. Malick, to Douglas R. Malick, also described as Sherman Tax District (0009), Map 38, Parcel Number 14.5. Tax Parcel Id Number 09-38-14.5.

## OTHER PROVISIONS:

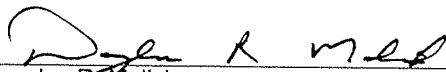
LOCATION APPROVAL CLAUSE. Lessee and Lessor to mutually agree on all drill site, pipeline and access road locations, consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned by Lessor.

NO STORAGE RIGHTS CLAUSE. Notwithstanding anything herein contained to the contrary, Lessee agrees the herein described leased premises shall not be used for the purpose of gas storage. Any reference to gas storage contained in this lease is hereby deleted.

HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE. Lessee agrees it will protect and save and keep Lessor harmless and indemnified against and from any penalty or damage or charges imposed for any violation of any laws or ordinances, whether occasioned by the neglect of Lessee or those holding under Lessee, and Lessee will at all times protect, indemnify and save and keep harmless the Lessor against and from any and all loss, damage or expense, including any injury to any person or property whomsoever or whatsoever arising out of or caused by any negligence of the Lessee or those holding under Lessee.

WATER DAMAGE CLAUSE. In the event any activity carried on by Lessee pursuant to the terms of this lease damages, disturbs, or injures any fresh water well or source located on these leased premises, Lessee shall at its sole cost and expense use its best efforts to correct any such damage, disturbance or injury.

GATE CLAUSE. Upon the written request of Lessor, Lessee shall install at its sole cost and expense a gate at the entrance of any road constructed by Lessee on the leased premises provided that Lessor is the current surface owner of the affected lands at the time of Lessee's surface operations.

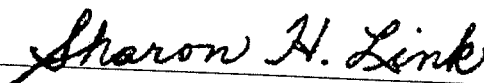
  
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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, Hampshire County Commission Clerk's Office

The foregoing Instrument, together with the certificate of its acknowledgment, was this day presented in said office and admitted to record.

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Clerk.