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United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of Texas

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October 08, 2021 Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

	§	
In re:	§	Chapter 11
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CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION, et al.,1	§	Case No. 20-33233 (DRJ)
	§	
Reorganized Debtors.	§	(Jointly Administered)
-	§	
	§	Re: Docket Nos. 3677, 3931, 3975

## THIRD ORDER SUSTAINING REORGANIZED DEBTORS' SEVENTEENTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CERTAIN PROOFS OF CLAIM (NO LIABILITY CLAIMS)

Upon the objection (the "<u>Objection</u>")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned reorganized debtors (before the Effective Date of the Plan, the "<u>Debtors</u>," and after the Effective Date of the Plan, the "<u>Reorganized Debtors</u>") for entry of an order (this "<u>Order</u>") disallowing the No Liability Claims, identified on <u>Schedule 1</u> attached hereto; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Objection in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Objection is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found support for this Objection in the Bechtel Declaration [Docket No. 3955] and the Buchanan Declaration

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A complete list of each of the Reorganized Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Reorganized Debtors' claims and noticing agent at <u>https://dm.epiq11.com/chesapeake</u>. The location of Reorganized Debtor Chesapeake Energy Corporation's principal place of business and the Reorganized Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is 6100 North Western Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning ascribed to them in the Objection.

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[Docket No. 3954]; and this Court having found that the Reorganized Debtors' notice of the Objection and opportunity for a hearing on the Objection were appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Objection and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing (if any) before this Court (the "<u>Hearing</u>"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Objection and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The No Liability Claim identified on <u>Schedule 1</u> attached to this Order is disallowed in its entirety.

2. Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("<u>Epiq</u>"), as claims, noticing and solicitation agent, is authorized and directed to update the claims register maintained in these chapter 11 cases to reflect the relief granted in this Order.

3. To the extent a response is filed regarding any No Liability Claim, each such No Liability Claim, and the Objection as it pertains to such No Liability Claim, will constitute a separate contested matter as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 9014. This Order will be deemed a separate order with respect to each No Liability Claim.

4. Nothing in this Order shall be deemed: (a) an admission as to the validity of any prepetition claim against a Reorganized Debtor entity; (b) a waiver of the Reorganized Debtors' right to dispute any prepetition claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any prepetition claim; (d) an implication or admission that any particular claim is of a type specified

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or defined in this Objection or any order granting the relief requested by this Objection; (e) a request or authorization to assume any prepetition agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; or (f) a waiver of the Reorganized Debtors' rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.

5. The Reorganized Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Objection.

6. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.

Signed: October 06, 2021.

**DAVID R. JONES** 

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

# Schedule 1

No Liability Claims

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Chesapeake Energy Corporation 20-33233 (DRJ) No Liability - Satisfied Tax Claims Seventeenth Omnibus Objection - Schedule 3

	NAME	DATE FILED	CASE NUMBER	DEBTOR	CLAIM #	ASSERTED CLAIM AMOUNT
1	COUNTY OF BRAZOS TEXAS, THE ET AL C/O MCCREARY VESELKA BRAGG & ALLEN PC ATTN TARA LEDAY PO BOX 1269 ROUNDROCK, TX 78680-1269	7/15/2020	20-33233 (DRJ)	Chesapeake Energy Corporation	25	\$ 1,398,815.48*

Reason: The Debtors paid claimant, County Of Brazos Texas, The Et Al, \$2,011,769.61 on 01/22/2021 by check number 6029410 and \$15,127.35 on 07/20/2021 by check number 6031553.

TOTAL \$ 1,398,815.48\*