

RESOLUTION 19.051

Renaming and Broadening the Scope of the Public, Coastal, and Indigenous or Tribal Lands Committee (Formerly the Public Lands Committee)

WHEREAS, the member states of the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission (IOGCC) have endorsed and supported the Public Lands Committee established by IOGCC under Article V, Section 6 of the IOGCC Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the Public Lands Committee has concentrated on ensuring the efficient and effective regulation of oil and gas operations on onshore public lands by supporting and highlighting actions of the states and the federal government to eliminate duplication of efforts and otherwise coordinate regulatory activities on public lands; and

WHEREAS, the North American Coastal Alliance Committee, which operated as a special committee of IOGCC, dissolved upon completion of a project funded by the U.S. Department of Energy; and

WHEREAS, no other IOGCC committee or council has been established to coordinate the discussion of significant issues related to the development of oil and gas resources in coastal and offshore regions, including the federal Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) area; and

WHEREAS, state regulatory processes have proven successful in ensuring responsible, economic, and environmentally protective development of oil and gas resources on public, coastal, and offshore lands within their jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, state oil and gas regulatory agencies have the local and regional knowledge and experience to make scientifically sound decisions to promote economic recovery of oil and gas while protecting the environment; and

WHEREAS, communication and collaboration between state and indigenous or tribal governments have grown in importance with increasing awareness of both the benefits and the impacts from oil and gas development on indigenous or tribal lands;



NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission hereby expands the scope of the Public Lands Committee to include coastal, offshore, and indigenous or tribal lands among the subjects of future committee discussions and activities, and renames the committee the Public, Coastal, and Indigenous or Tribal Lands Committee.

I certify that this is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Commission on May 29, 2019.

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