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

In re:

Chapter 11

COBALT INTERNATIONAL ENERGY, INC., et al.¹) Case No. 17-36709 (MI)

Reorganized Debtors.

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) (Jointly Administered)

STIPULATION AND AGREED ORDER APPOINTING JUDGE CHRISTOPHER LOPEZ

Nader Tavakoli, acting solely in his capacity as the Plan Administrator of Cobalt International Energy, Inc., *et al.* (the "<u>Plan Administrator</u>"), and Total E&P USA ("<u>TEP</u>", and together with the Plan Administrator, the "<u>Parties</u>"), seek entry of this agreed order and stipulation allowing the Parties to mediate all claims, objections and disputes between them (collectively, the "<u>Contested Matters</u>") before the Honorable Christopher Lopez. The Parties report that Judge Lopez has advised that he is available to conduct such mediation on August 19, 2020. Accordingly, the Court hereby orders that:

- 1. Judge Lopez is authorized to mediate such issues as he determines appropriate in this case.
- 2. Judge Lopez has absolute discretion as to the timing and means and methods of any mediation.
- 3. Judge Lopez will mediate this case in his capacity as a United States Bankruptcy Judge. He will have full, unqualified judicial immunity in his role as a mediator.
- 4. Judge Lopez may not be called as a witness in this or any other proceeding concerning his role as a mediator in this case, or concerning this case.

It is so ordered.

SIGNED _____, 2020.

Marvin Isgur UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

¹ The Reorganized Debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Reorganized Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Cobalt International Energy, Inc. (1169); Cobalt International Energy GP, LLC (7374); Cobalt International Energy, L.P. (2411); Cobalt GOM LLC (7188); Cobalt GOM # 1 LLC (7262); and Cobalt GOM # 2 LLC (7316).



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