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

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RAAM GLOBAL ENERGY COMPANY,	§	CASE NO. 15-35615
et al.	§	
	§	(Chapter 11)
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DEBTORS.	§	

INTERIM ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO PAY SALES, USE, PROPERTY, PRODUCTION, AND OTHER TAXES AND RELATED OBLIGATIONS

On October _____, 2015, the Court considered the *Emergency Motion for an Order Authorizing the Debtors to Pay Sales, Use, Property, Production, and Other Taxes and Related Obligations* [Docket No. ___] (the "Motion"),¹ filed by the above-captioned debtors (the "Debtors").² The Court finds that: (a) it has jurisdiction over the matters raised in the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334(b); (b) this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); (c) the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors and their respective estates, creditors, and equity security holders; (d) pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a), proper and adequate notice of the Motion and hearing thereon has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; (e) the relief granted herein is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm to these estates; and (f) good and sufficient cause exists for the granting of the relief requested in the Motion after having given due deliberation upon the Motion and all of the proceedings before the Court in connection with the Motion. Therefore, it is

ORDERED that the Motion is **GRANTED** to the extent provided herein. It is further **ORDERED** that any objections to the motion are **OVERRULED**. It is further

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¹ Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning given to them in the Motion.

² The Debtors are RAAM Global Energy Company [2973], Century Exploration New Orleans, LLC [4948], Century Exploration Houston, LLC [9624], and Century Exploration Resources, LLC [7252].

ORDERED that the Debtors are authorized, but not directed, to pay and remit to the

Taxing Authorities the pre-petition Taxes incurred or collected by the Debtors, when such Taxes

become due, in the ordinary course of business pursuant to and in accordance with any order

authorizing the use of the Debtors' cash collateral; provided, however, the payment of such pre-

petition Taxes by the Debtors shall not exceed \$2,750,000 in the aggregate. It is further

ORDERED that the Debtors are authorized to pay and remit to the Taxing Authorities all

post-petition Taxes, including, without limitation, Sales and Use Taxes, Property Taxes,

Production Taxes, and Franchise/Income Taxes incurred or collected by the Debtors, when such

Taxes become due, in the ordinary course of business pursuant to and in accordance with any

order authorizing the use of the Debtors' cash collateral. It is further

ORDERED that the banks on which checks were drawn or electronic payment requests

made in payment of the pre-petition Taxes approved herein are authorized to: (a) receive,

process, honor, and pay all checks presented for payment that are related to such Taxes; and (b)

rely on the representations of the Debtors as to which checks are permitted to be paid pursuant to

this Order. The Debtors are authorized to re-issue any check or electronic payment that was

drawn in payment of any pre-petition amount that is not cleared by a depository. It is further

ORDERED that nothing herein shall impair the Debtors' ability to contest the amount,

basis, or validity of the Taxes owing to the Taxing Authorities. It is further

ORDERED that, notwithstanding any applicability of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the

terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon entry of

this Order. It is further

ORDERED that the Debtors are authorized and empowered to take such actions as may

be necessary and appropriate to implement the terms of this Order. It is further

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ORDERED that a final hearing on the Motion shall be held on
2015 at:m., Central Time, and objections to the Motion, if any, must be filed b
, 2015 and served upon counsel for the Debtors and the master service list i
the Cases. It is further
ORDERED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and consider all dispute
arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this Order.
SIGNED THIS day of, 2015.
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE