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Leefe Gibbs Sullivan Dupre & Aldous ("Leefe") *Legal*	Leefe provides cost-effective legal advice to the Debtors, on an as-needed basis, on operational issues and contractual issues arising with vendors and third parties. Leefe has been working with the Debtors for a number of years, and has intimate knowledge of the Debtors' business affairs. Leefe's current hourly rate is $200 per hour. The Debtors anticipate that the fees incurred for Leefe's services during the Cases, if any, will be minimal. Leefe is not performing any ongoing work for the Debtors. Accordingly, Leefe would be utilized on an as-needed basis, consistent with past practices, in the ordinary course of business.	$2,500
Gordon Arata McCollam Duplantis & Eagan LLC ("Gordon Arata") *Legal*	Gordon Arata provides essential title review, mortgage, and oil and gas leasing-related services, and general oil and gas advice, to the Debtors on an as-needed basis. Gordon Arata has worked with the Debtors for a number of years and has intimate knowledge of the Debtors. Gordon Arata is not performing any ongoing work for the Debtors. Accordingly, Gordon Arata would be utilized on an as-needed basis, consistent with past practices, in the ordinary course of business.	$5,000
Slattery, Marino & Roberts ("Slattery") *Legal*	As with Gordon Arata, Slattery provides essential title and offshore and onshore leasing-related services, and general oil and gas advice, to the Debtors on an as-needed basis. Slattery has worked with the Debtors for a number of years and has intimate knowledge of the Debtors. Slattery is not performing any ongoing work for the Debtors. Accordingly, Slattery would be utilized on an as-needed basis, consistent with past practices, in the ordinary course of business.	$5,000
Thomas N. Cockburn ("Cockburn") *Legal*	Cockburn specializes in Texas title work and assists the Debtors in protecting their oil and gas leases. Specifically, Cockburn assists the Debtors in handling mistakes in division orders which cause payment to wrong parties or which, without Cockburn's services, may otherwise be unrecoverable. Cockburn has worked for the Debtors for a number of years	$2,500

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	and has intimate knowledge of the Debtors' Texas operations. Cockburn is not performing any ongoing work for the Debtors. Accordingly, Cockburn would be utilized on an as-needed basis, consistent with past practices, in the ordinary course of business.	
Creel and Associates, Inc. ("Creel") *Accounting*	Creel performs, among other things, state and federal regulatory reporting functions for the Debtors. Such services are necessary in order for the Debtors to continue as operators of their oil and gas properties, because the reporting performed by Creel is required by state and federal regulatory agencies, such as the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, the Texas Railroad Commission, the Office of Natural Resource Revenue (Department of Interior), and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The Debtors anticipate there will be a high initial monthly cost associated with Creel's services of approximately $50,000. The Debtors anticipate this amount will decrease to approximately $30,000 to $35,000 per month with future monthly cycles. The initial start-up cost is higher than the average monthly cost because Creel has to create systems for the Debtors' monthly production allocations, which will then feed into Enertia, the Debtors' accounting system. Once Creel develops these systems, Creel will create the necessary allocations, provide input forms for populating regulatory reports automatically, and import those reports to the applicable state and federal websites. Creel will also import into Enertia the Debtors' production and revenue distribution. As set forth below, although Creel has to develop their own models for monthly production allocation, retaining Creel is more cost-effective than having the Debtors perform the task internally. Creel has worked with the Debtors for a number of years on different matters than those now added to the scope of their work, and has knowledge of the Debtors' oil and gas operations. Given the time constraints imposed by the Cases and the need to achieve consistent and timely filing of reports in accordance with the requirements imposed by state and federal regulatory agencies, retaining Creel, as opposed to retaining an alternative accounting firm or hiring additional employees to perform these tasks internally, is most efficient	$35,000

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	and cost-effective. The services provided by Creel were previously provided internally by four employees with an average gross annual salary of $118,000, and an aggregate gross annual salary of $472,000. Internally, these functions cost the Debtors approximately $39,000 per month, not taking into account employee benefits, 401(k) match, taxes, and overhead. The Debtors have since cut back their workforce to save costs, including laying off three of these four employees, thus necessitating Creel's retention. The fourth employee will be laid off on December 31, 2015. As stated above, the Debtors do not have adequate time or employee capacity to internally perform the services to be provided by Creel.	
Postlethwaite & Netterville, APAC ("P&N") *Accounting*	P&N is a general certified public accounting (CPA) firm that assists the Debtors with, among other things, general ledger accounting and preparation of financial statements that are required by Section 6.2 of the Cash Collateral Order (as defined below). P&N provides minor assistance with respect to the Debtors' internal financial statements, such as their balance sheet and profit and lost statement, the information from which is used for the Debtors' monthly operating reports. There is a higher-than-normal initial cost associated with P&N due to the staff training and travel needed to transition accounting functions to P&N in New Orleans, Louisiana and to develop the initial reports that are required pursuant to the Cash Collateral Order (as defined below). Certain of the services by P&N were previously provided by three employees in the Debtors' Lexington, Kentucky office with an average gross annual salary of approximately $127,000 and an aggregate gross annual salary of $381,000. Internally, these functions cost the Debtors approximately $31,000 per month, not taking into account benefits, 401(k) match, taxes, and overhead. The Debtors anticipate that these services now provided by P&N (that were previously performed by the Debtors internally) will cost approximately $25,000 per month. Given the Debtors' business decision to close down their Lexington, Kentucky office, the employees that performed these services internally have been terminated or will be terminated by December 31, 2015.	$35,000

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	The Debtors lack adequate staffing in their New Orleans, Louisiana office to perform internally these accounting functions. Accordingly, the Debtors' best option, taking into account time constraints imposed by the Cases, was to retain an outside accounting firm to perform these functions.	
Netherland, Sewell and Associates Inc. ("NSAI") *Reserve Valuation*	NSAI provides engineering and geological services to the Debtors. Specifically, NSAI performs mapping, volumetric calculations, economic modeling, and cash flow reporting under varying price assumptions. NSAI has provided such services to the Debtors for more than twelve years, and NSAI is highly familiar with the Debtors' oil and gas properties. While it may be possible for the Debtors to retain a consulting firm with lower hourly rates, hiring a replacement firm would come with significant start-up costs. Moreover, as discussed below, the Debtors' lenders require the Debtors to retain NSAI. Some of the tasks performed by NSAI are also completed internally. The purpose of retaining NSAI, however, is to provide an unbiased third party expert analysis. In previous years, such third party reports were required by the Debtors' banks and lenders. NSAI's retention is required under Section 6.2(c) of the First Lien Credit Agreement, which is enforceable against the Debtors pursuant to the *Final Order Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105, 361, 363 and 507, Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 4001 and 9014 and Local Bankruptcy Rule 4001-2 (i) authorizing Debtors' Limited Use of Cash Collateral, (ii) Granting Adequate Protection to the Prepetition Secured Parties, and (iii) Modifying the Automatic Stay* [Docket No. 184] (the "Cash Collateral Order"). Specifically, the Debtors are required to retain NSAI to perform a year-end reserve valuation, and such reserve valuation is required to be given to the Debtors' lenders by March 31, 2015. The total estimated cost of this valuation, which the Debtors' anticipate will take about three months to complete, is approximately $80,000 - $90,000.	$30,000