

# **CODE OF CONDUCT & ETHICS**

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#### INTRODUCTION

# **Scope**

This Code of Conduct and Ethics (the/this "Code") applies to all employees, including executive officers (collectively "employees"), and the members of the Board of Directors of Berry Corporation (bry) (the "Board") and/or its subsidiaries and affiliates (each individually and collectively, the "Company"). Certain Company business partners, such as suppliers, vendors, agents, contractors, consultants, and other representatives, serve as an extension of the Company, and they are expected to adhere to the spirit of the Code, and to any applicable provisions, when working on behalf of the Company.

This Code confirms the basic elements of honesty, integrity, fairness, responsibility, professionalism and good judgment that all Company directors and employees are required to observe. A basic principle of this Code is that directors and employees must always act lawfully and refrain from taking any action that violates the letter or spirit of any applicable law or regulation. The purpose of this Code of Ethics and Conduct is to promote, among other things:

- Honest and ethical conduct, including the ethical handling of actual or apparent conflicts of interest between personal or professional relationships;
- Compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations;
- Full, fair, accurate, timely and understandable disclosure in reports and documents that the Company files with, or submits to, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and in other public communications made by the Company;
- The prompt internal reporting of violations of the Code to an appropriate person or persons identified in this Code; and
- Accountability for adherence to this Code.

While not a comprehensive rulebook, the Code is a statement of the way that the Company does business, reflecting the Company's core values and commitment to "doing the right thing" in all that directors and employees do. The Code addresses subjects that are covered in more detail in other Company policies and procedures; see the <u>Resources and Contact List</u> at the end of the Code.

#### **Compliance**

Compliance with the Code is mandatory. Directors and employees are required to conduct Company business in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations and to comply with all of the Company's policies and procedures, as applicable, including this Code. Illegal or unethical conduct cannot be justified by claiming that it benefited the Company or was directed by a higher authority within the organization. No one at the Company is authorized to conduct themselves or direct others in a manner inconsistent with the Code. Likewise, directors and employees may not use other employees or contractors, agents, consultants, family members or other third parties to perform any act prohibited by the Code. Employees who violate the Code will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, including termination of employment, civil action and/or criminal prosecution. The Code is not a contract of employment, and does not create

any contractual rights between the employee and the Company. This means that nothing in the Code changes the fact that all Company employees are employees at will, and the Company may terminate their employment at any time, with or without cause or notice.

Employees will not be penalized for good faith reporting of violations or suspected violations of this Code or for cooperating with any Company investigation. Retaliation and threats of retaliation, against any employee who reports, participates or assists in, an investigation of a suspected violation, are prohibited and disciplinary action, including dismissal of any officer or other employee where warranted, will be taken if the Board determines that any such retaliation or threat of retaliation has taken place.

# **Modification and Interpretation**

The Company reserves the right to modify, terminate or replace this Code at any time. Any questions relating to how the Code should be interpreted or applied should be addressed to the Legal Department. Interpretations of this Code will be at the sole discretion of the Company's leadership and all such interpretations will be final and binding.

# **Training and Attestation**

Employees will receive training on the Code in accordance with Company policy and procedure as established from time-to-time by the Company's management. Each employee will be required to attest to receiving this Code, reading and understanding it, and to agree to abide by it as required by the Company's management and applicable Company policy and procedure.

#### **Conflict with Other Policies**

This Code does not include every policy of the Company and is not intended to replace other, existing policies of the Company. All such existing policies remain in full force and effect. If there is a conflict between the provisions of this Code and Company policies, the Code controls.

#### **Duty of Employees**

All employees are expected to be loyal and supportive of the Company, its products, its services and fellow employees. Employees are responsible for building an ethical culture. Employees also are expected to exercise due care in connection with the performance of the responsibilities and duties of their employment position with the Company.

#### **Audits, Investigations and Disciplinary Action**

Compliance with this Code may be monitored by periodic audits, which may or may not be announced in advance. All directors and employees are required to cooperate fully with any such audits, as well as with any investigation of reported or suspected wrongdoing and with any disciplinary or remedial action imposed by the Company. In addition, employees and directors are required to provide truthful, accurate information and to respond to requests for certifications in connection with audits, investigations and remedial actions initiated by the Company. Directors and employees should not disclose/discuss the investigation or audit with unauthorized persons. Failure to comply with any of these requirements may lead to disciplinary action. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Code is to be interpreted or applied in any way that prohibits, restricts or interferes with an employee's (a) exercise of rights provided under, or participation in,

"whistleblower" programs of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or any other applicable federal or state regulatory agency or governmental entity (each, a "Government Body"), including the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the National Labor Relations Board, or (b) good faith communication or reporting of possible violations of applicable law to any Government Body, including cooperating with a Government Body in any governmental investigation regarding possible violations of applicable law. Employees may make such communications without having to get permission from, or provide notice to, the Company or any of its agents or representatives.

### **Reporting Violations**

All directors and employees must report situations as soon as possible that could result in violations of federal, state or local laws; the principles, policies or procedures set forth in this Code; or any other Company policies or procedures. Failure to do so may lead to disciplinary action.

- Directors should communicate any concerns or report suspected violations to the Chair of the Audit Committee or the Company's General Counsel.
- Employees should communicate concerns or report suspected violations to their direct-line management, the Human Resources Department (HR@bry.com), and/or Legal Department (Legal@bry.com).
- Reports may also be submitted online through <a href="www.berrypetroleum.ethicspoint.com">www.berrypetroleum.ethicspoint.com</a>
  or by calling the Ethics Point Hotline at 1-844-836-0245. Ethics Point and the Ethics
  Point Hotline is a third-party administered independent hotline that offers
  confidential anonymous reporting. See the <a href="Resources and Contact List">Resources and Contact List</a> at the end of
  the Code.

In addition to the above, if any director or employee has concerns about financial reporting, accounting, internal controls or auditing matters, they should contact the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors directly or through the Ethics Point Hotline provided above. Inquiries or communications (which may be anonymous), should be mailed in writing to the Company's General Counsel at 16000 N. Dallas Pkwy., Suite 500, Dallas, Texas 75248, attention to: General Counsel. The Company will maintain the confidentiality of all complaints to the extent possible consistent with legal requirements and the Company's need to properly investigate the matter. Intentional false reports will lead to disciplinary action.

### **Waivers and Amendments**

Any amendments to this Code of Conduct and any/or waivers thereto applying to executive officers or directors of the Company must be approved by the Board of Directors or a committee of the Board of Directors. Persons seeking a waiver should be prepared to disclose all pertinent facts and circumstances, respond to inquiries for additional information, explain why the waiver is necessary, appropriate, or in the best interest of the Company, and be willing to comply with any procedures that may be required to protect the Company in connection with a waiver. Any amendment to this Code of Conduct and any waiver, as well as the reasons for providing such waiver, that are required to be disclosed by the rules of either the SEC or The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC shall be posted on the Company's website within four business days following such waiver or amendment in accordance with applicable legal requirements and listing requirements.

# No Retaliation

Employees will not be penalized for good faith reporting of suspected violations or for cooperating with any Company investigation. Retaliation and threats of retaliation, against any employee who complains about, reports, participates or assists in, an investigation of a suspected violation are prohibited.

# **Collective Bargaining Agreements**

The Company recognizes and respects the freedom of employees to exercise their lawful rights of free association and collective bargaining. For employees covered under a collective bargaining agreement, if there is a conflict between the provisions of this Code or other Company policies, and the collective bargaining agreement, the collective bargaining agreement will control to the extent of such conflict.

#### **POLICIES**

#### 1.0 TREATMENT OF EMPLOYEES

### 1.1 Diversity and Inclusion

The Company seeks to create an inclusive environment for everyone, regardless of race, color, ethnicity, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, sex, gender identity and/or expression, sexual orientation, disability, reproductive health decision making, medical condition (as defined by applicable law)genetic information, age, pregnancy, marital status, religion, religious creed, military or veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by applicable law.

The Company is committed to attracting, developing and retaining a highly qualified, diverse and dedicated work force. The Company has established policies to lawfully promote diversity and non-discriminatory employment and business practices and will strive to do business or partner with organizations that share the Company's commitment to equal employment opportunity, prohibit discrimination and harassment, and do not involve or engage in exclusionary membership practices.

# 1.2 Equal Employment Opportunity

The Company believes that the best policy is one that awards a job to the most qualified person and it does not discriminate in its employment policies and practices. The Company provides equal employment opportunities to all aspects of employment, including recruitment, hiring, placement, promotion, advancement, transfer, training, development, compensation, benefits, discipline, termination or retirement without regard to actual or perceived race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, disability, marital status, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, genetic information, any other non-merit-based factor, or any category or characteristic protected by applicable law.

# 1.3 Freedom from Discrimination and Harassment

The Company promotes a workplace culture of dignity and respect for all employees as well as a safe, appropriate, and productive work environment. Accordingly, the Company prohibits unlawful discrimination and harassment in any form by supervisors/managers, co-workers, contractors, consultants, vendors or others in the workplace, as well as at off-site business trips, business functions, and/or Company-sponsored events, or where such individuals are otherwise representing the Company, including during non-working hours. Furthermore, the Company prohibits physical, sexual, psychological, verbal or any form of harassment, whether legal or illegal.

Harassment can take many forms, including physical, sexual, psychological and verbal. Among the types of conduct prohibited by this Code are epithets, slurs, jokes, negative stereotyping, intimidating acts, unwelcoming sexual advances, requests for sexual acts or favors, or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, and the circulation or posting of written or graphic materials that show hostility toward individuals because of their protected status. The Company also prohibits any form of degrading, offensive, or intimidating conduct based on a person's race, color,

ethnicity, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, sex, gender identity and/or expression, sexual orientation, disability, medical condition (as defined by applicable law), genetic information, age, pregnancy, marital status, religion, religious creed, military or veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by applicable law.

#### 2.0 ETHICAL BUSINESS PRACTICES

### 2.1 Unfair Trade Practices; Deception and Fraud

In our highly competitive marketplace, the Company will achieve a competitive advantage by accurately representing our products, services, benefits and prices. While the Company needs to aggressively market its products, directors and employees must do so within the confines of ethical business practices and applicable laws. No illegal or unethical activity to obtain business, including offering bribes or kickbacks, is ever acceptable.

Accordingly, directors and employees must not engage in any form of unfair, fraudulent or deceptive practice against the Company or any customer, supplier, co-worker, competitor or any other third party. Directors and employees should never create misleading impressions, omit important facts or make false claims about our offerings or those of our competitors. A misrepresentation to the Company is a form of deceit and is strictly forbidden. Other prohibited business practices include forgery and interference with contractual relations.

Directors and employees also are not permitted to interfere with a competitor's contractual or business relationships for example, by urging a customer or potential customer to breach its contract with the competitor. Directors and employees should never offer legal advice to third parties regarding any matter, including a competitor's contract.

### 2.2 Bribery and Inappropriate Gifts

Directors and employees are prohibited from engaging in any form of commercial or governmental bribery or otherwise providing gifts to others for inappropriate purposes. This means directors and employees may not give or offer money or anything else of value to anyone with whom the Company does business or who might do business with the Company, if it is intended to impact the recipient's judgment with respect to a business decision or if the purpose of the gift is to encourage that person to do something corrupt, deceptive or otherwise opposed to that person's legal or ethical obligations or responsibilities. This prohibition applies to direct or indirect payments made through third parties, directors and employees and is also intended to prevent bribes, kickbacks or any other form of payoff. Similarly, directors and employees are not permitted to accept money or anything else of value from anyone with whom the Company does business or who might do business with the Company if it is intended to directly impact the director's or employee's judgment with respect to a business decision. It is never appropriate to offer or accept personal loans or guarantees (e.g., preferences or discounts not offered widely) to or from clients, suppliers or competitors. *Refer to Section 4.3 of this Code for further clarification of what constitutes inappropriate gifts.* 

# 2.3 Safeguarding Confidential Information of Others

The Company's policy is to respect the confidential information and intellectual property rights of others, including patents, trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets. Liability for the unauthorized use of others' confidential information or intellectual property can be significant. Accordingly, directors and employees should contact the Legal Department as noted in the Resource and Contact List section at the end of this document immediately if any situation arises concerning the misuse of confidential information or violation of intellectual property rights of others.

During the course of employment or affiliation with the Company, directors and employees may gain access to, or otherwise become aware of, the confidential and/or proprietary information or property of the Company's customers, business partners or other parties. Directors and employees may not use this information or property for any purpose unrelated to the products or services provided by the Company, and as authorized by the customer, business partner or third party, without first obtaining the advice and consent of the Legal Department. In addition, no director or employee may divulge such information or provide such property to anyone outside the Company, unless authorized to do so by the Company consistent with its obligations to the owner of that information or property.

Directors and employees are prohibited from unlawfully obtaining any intellectual property or confidential information from customers, suppliers, business partners or competitors. Unlawful means of obtaining information of others include, but are not limited to, burglary, wiretapping, misrepresentation of identity and the hiring of others for the purpose of improperly obtaining such information. Customer or other third-party communications, including voice and data, typically are confidential and must not be recorded, covertly listened to, or divulged without prior written approval from the participants involved in such communications, unless authorized by applicable law. Directors and employees should avoid involvement in any situation in which proprietary or confidential information has been improperly obtained from any other company. If any director or employee is approached with any offer of confidential or proprietary information that the director or employee has reason to believe may have been obtained improperly, the director or employee must notify his or her manager or the Chair of the Audit Committee immediately and seek advice from the Legal Department.

Further, nothing in this Code or other Company policy is intended to interfere with, restrain, or coerce employees in the exercise of their rights under Section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act, such as discussing wages, benefits, or terms and conditions of employment or engaging in concerted activity for their and their fellow employees' mutual aid or protection.

# 2.4 Environment, Health and Safety

The Company is committed to conducting its business activities in compliance with applicable environmental, health and safety laws and regulations of all jurisdictions where we do business. The Company is committed to act as a responsible steward of the environment in the communities where we operate and live and to providing employees a safe and secure work environment.

Directors, officers and other employees should be aware that health and safety laws and environmental laws may provide for significant civil and criminal penalties against individuals

and the Company for the failure to comply with applicable requirements. Accordingly, each director, officer and other employee must comply with all applicable environmental safety and health laws, rules and regulations, including occupational safety and health standards.

Employees should report to work in a condition allowing them to perform their duties free from the influence of drugs, alcohol or other controlled substances. The use of illegal drugs in the workplace will not be tolerated.

Employees are prohibited from engaging in any type of violent conduct on the Company premises or while performing the employee's job off premises. This includes, among other things, explicit or implied threats of physical violence (verbal or written), acting in a threatening or aggressive manner, engaging in physical attacks, or fighting, defacing, threatening to deface, damaging, destroying or stealing Company property or another person's property. **Refer to the Company's EH&S Manual for the Company's policies for the Company's specific policies and procedures.** 

### 2.5 Document Creation and Retention

Business records and communications may become subject to public disclosure in the course of litigation or governmental investigations. In some cases, business records and communications are discoverable and can be obtained by outside parties or the media. Directors and employees therefore should attempt to be as clear, concise, truthful and accurate as possible when creating any document, whether in written or electronic form. Avoid exaggeration, profanity, guesswork, legal conclusions and derogatory characterizations of people, other companies or their motives. This policy applies to communications of all kinds, including e-mail, voice mail, and "informal" notes or memos.

Documents and records must be retained for the periods of time specified by the Company's records-retention policies. Directors or employees that are aware of an imminent or ongoing investigation, litigation, audit or examination initiated by the Company, any government agency, a customer or other third party, should notify his or her manager, the General Counsel, or otherwise contact the Legal Department for instructions on retaining any related documents. Should a director or employee be notified that a document or record has been placed on legal hold by the Legal Department, he or she is required to fully comply with the instructions stated in the legal hold notice. If a director is not sure whether a document should be destroyed, the director should consult the Legal Department before doing so. If an employee is not sure whether a document should be destroyed, the employee should consult his or her manager, department head or the Legal Department before doing so.

#### 2.6 Falsification of Books and Records

It is the Company's policy to promote full, fair, accurate, timely and understandable disclosure in reports and documents that the Company files with, or submits to, the SEC (or any other governmental authority) and in other public communications made by the Company. As such, the Company's books, records and accounts must accurately and fairly reflect the Company's transactions in reasonable detail and in accordance with the Company's accounting practices and policies.

Employees are expected to maintain accurate and reliable financial books and records at all times. All reports and assertions made to the Company including any record keeping entered into accounting books or information provided in reports, both written and verbal, must be accurate and honest. Directors and employees are prohibited from making any false or misleading book and systems entries or reports to the Company, its management, investors, regulators, or other parties. This applies to any and all public disclosures including disclosures in investor reports, transaction documents, and public communications, as well as internal disclosures including customer orders, personal expense reports, and responses to management inquiries.

All of the Company's funds and other assets and all its transactions must be properly documented, fully accounted for and promptly recorded in the appropriate books and records of the Company, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and the Company's system of internal accounting controls. Federal securities laws require that the Company's books and records accurately reflect all transactions, including any payment of money, transfer of property, and furnishing of services. The term "books" generally refers to the documents and records of the Company containing accounting, inventory, financial, securities and corporate business information, and the term "records" generally refers to information recorded by the Company, including time, attendance, and absence reports, sales transactions, purchasing and shipping documentation, permits and licenses, expense account records, claims reports and records, employee files and records, authorization and approvals, and other business documents and reports.

Company employees are required to observe the following:

- <u>False books and records</u>. False or misleading entries shall not be made in the Company's books or records for any reason. Examples of false or misleading entries include making records appear as though payments were made to one person when, in fact, they were made to another, submitting expense reports that do not accurately reflect the true nature of the expense, and the creation of any other records that do not accurately reflect the true nature of the transaction.
- <u>Undisclosed assets</u>. Undisclosed or unrecorded funds or assets ("slush funds") or similar funds or accounts are prohibited.
- <u>Use of assets for unlawful purposes</u>. Company funds or other assets may not be used for any purpose that is unlawful. The Company will not provide services that are unlawful.
- <u>Undisclosed purposes</u>. No payment on behalf of the Company will be approved or made with the intention or understanding that any part of such payment is to be used for any purpose other than that described by the documentation supporting the payment.

# 2.7 Accounting, Auditing and Public Reporting Matters

The Company is committed to ensuring that the highest legal and ethical standards are utilized in the preparation and public reporting of all financial and non-financial information regarding the Company. In that regard, the Company's management encourages any director or employee who has any concerns regarding any procedure, policy, action, or inaction related to accounting, auditing or the Company's public disclosures to report those concerns to any of the following: Chief Financial Officer; General Counsel or Corporate Secretary as noted in the Resources and

Contact List section at the end of the Code. Reports can also be filed anonymously online through the Ethics Point Hotline at <a href="https://www.berrypetroleum.ethicspoint.com">www.berrypetroleum.ethicspoint.com</a> or by calling the Ethics Point Hotline at 1-844-836-0245.

Misrepresentation of material financial or non-financial information or other questionable accounting or auditing practices may result in fraudulent, incomplete, inaccurate or untimely reporting, including misleading financial statements or other material disclosures about the Company. Accordingly, directors and employees must not undermine the integrity of any information within the reporting chain and shall not fraudulently influence, coerce, manipulate, or mislead any internal or independent auditor during the course of any audit or their procedures.

The United States securities laws also prohibit certain, selective disclosures of material non-public information about the Company. Accordingly, we have established a centralized disclosure system and have designated a limited number of Company spokespersons who are authorized to speak publicly on the Company's behalf and otherwise provide public disclosures regarding the Company. Therefore, unless so designated, directors and employees may not speak on the Company's behalf or publicly disclose any non-public information about the Company, and directors and employees must forward all press or investment community inquiries to the Investor Relations Department. Nothing in this policy is intended to infringe upon employees' exercise of their rights under Section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act, and this policy does not prevent communications with any Government Body about events or concerns in the workplace. *For more information, refer to Section 6.0 of this Code.* 

#### 2.8 Foreign Corrupt Practices Act

The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA") generally prohibits U.S. companies and their representatives, citizens, and foreign companies listed on a U.S. stock exchange, or any person acting on behalf of such companies, from corruptly paying or offering to pay anything of value to a foreign official, foreign political candidate, or foreign political party or persons acting on their behalf to secure, obtain, or retain business. Violations of the FCPA can result in severe penalties, including fines and imprisonment, for the Company, its directors, officers and employees. Any violations of the FCPA could damage the Company's reputation and ability to conduct business.

The FCPA has broad application to transactions between the Company and foreign governmental officials (including officers of government-owned corporations), candidates for foreign political office, foreign political parties, or third parties who may have the ability to influence foreign officials, candidates, or parties. It is often difficult to determine whether a specific circumstance might represent a violation. Questions regarding the FCPA should be directed to the Legal Department.

It is the Company's policy to comply fully with the requirements of the FCPA. Each director, officer, manager, employee, or agent of the Company has the responsibility for compliance with the FCPA within his or her area of authority and must report any suspected violations immediately to the General Counsel or Ethics Point as noted in the Resource and Contact List section at the end of the Code.

# 2.9 Respect for Human Rights

The Company conducts its business in a manner that respects the human rights and dignity of all, and complies with all applicable laws and supports principles that promote and protect human rights, in its relationships with its employees, suppliers and the communities in which it operates. This Company's commitment is also guided by international human rights principles encompassed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, including those contained within the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the United Nations Global Compact, the International Bill of Rights and the International Labor Organization's 1998 Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights Work. The Company forbids the use of child labor, forced labor (including, without limitation prison labor, bonded labor and indentured labor) or trafficking in persons.

#### 3.0 ANTITRUST AND COMPETITION

The Company is subject to complex antitrust laws designed to preserve competition among enterprises and to protect consumers from unfair business arrangements and practices. The Company will not tolerate any business conduct that violates federal and state antitrust or unfair competition laws. These laws define acceptable behavior for competing in the marketplace. The general aim of these laws is to promote competition and let businesses compete fairly on the basis of quality, price, service and other valid business criteria. Federal and many state laws prohibit agreements or actions that might eliminate or discourage competition, bring about a monopoly, or artificially maintain prices, or otherwise illegally hamper or distort normal commerce. This means directors and employees must pay careful attention to possible anti-competitive implications of the Company's business activities. The antitrust laws are complex, and the Legal Department should be consulted in all cases of doubt.

#### 3.1 Dealing with Competitors

Competitors are not permitted to agree among themselves on their respective prices or terms of sale, or to divide territories, suppliers or customers among themselves. Some of the arrangements with competitors that generally are illegal under the antitrust laws are agreements fixing prices, agreements allocating territories, suppliers or customers, boycotts or refusals to deal, and unlawful disclosures of competitive bids.

If a director or employee is asked by a competitor to enter into an illegal or questionable agreement regarding pricing, customers, suppliers, territories or any other terms or conditions of sale, he or she should do all of the following:

- inform the competitor that such discussions may be inappropriate and illegal;
- immediately cease, or remove themselves from, those discussions and tell the competitor never to discuss the subject with them again; and
- immediately inform their manager and the Legal Department of the incident.

# 3.2 Dealing with Customers and Suppliers

Agreements with customers or suppliers that create antitrust concerns include certain exclusive

dealing and/or reciprocity agreements and tying arrangements. Tying arrangements typically involve conditioning the purchase of one product or service on the purchase of another distinct product or service. Any transaction potentially involving exclusive dealing, reciprocal, or tying arrangements must be reviewed and approved in advance by the Legal Department.

# 3.3 Other Anti-Competitive Practices

Many situations create the potential for unlawful anti-competitive conduct and should be avoided, including without limitation, such practices as:

- <u>Predatory Pricing</u> Setting pricing below cost with the aim of forcing competitors out of a market.
- <u>Disparagement</u> False or misleading statements critical of competitors or others.
- <u>Interference with the Contracts of Competitor</u> Urging or suggesting that a customer or prospective customer break a contract with a competitor.
- <u>Price Discrimination</u> Charging competing customers different prices for the same product to substantially lessen competition. Under specific circumstances, the company may adjust its pricing offerings without creating a discriminatory pricing situation. Please check with the Legal Department for more information.
- <u>Monopolization</u> It is illegal for a company to monopolize or attempt to monopolize a market, *i.e.*, to dominate a market by anti-competitive methods. Therefore, all directors and employees should avoid any conduct which could be construed as an attempt to monopolize.
- Wrongful Participation with Trade Association No director or employee should participate in, or remain present at, any discussion among competitors at a trade association meeting, or other gathering of association members or participants, concerning: prices or factors that determine prices; costs; credit terms or other terms or conditions of sale; profits or profit margins; allocation of territories among competitors or potential competitors; allocation of customers or suppliers among competitors or potential competitors; or a refusal to deal with customers or suppliers. Also, directors and employees should not participate in any association meetings that hold discussions which set restrictions on competitors who are non-members of the association or set policies or practices that may harm competitors that are non-members. If a director or employee becomes aware of such a discussion at a trade association meeting, the director or employee should leave the meeting immediately and insist that his or her departure be noted in the minutes (if minutes are being recorded), and immediately advise his or her manager and the Legal Department.

Violations of antitrust laws may damage the Company's reputation and subject the business to heavy fines. If you have any questions about potential antitrust implications, contact the Legal Department.

#### 3.4 Social Discussions and Company Communications

Anti-competitive practices referenced above do not have to be covered by formal or written agreements to be illegal. Any kind of understanding between two companies or even social conversations can be used as evidence that an agreement existed. Memos and other written communications that use casual or inappropriate language might someday be examined by a

government agency or opposing lawyer. Using loose language may raise questions about conduct that is entirely legal and may undermine what otherwise would have been successful efforts to comply with the antitrust and competition laws.

#### 4.0 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

A conflict of interest occurs when an individual's real or perceived personal interests interferes in any way with the interests of the Company as a whole. This situation can arise when an individual takes actions or has other interests, duties, responsibilities or obligations that may make it difficult to perform his or her work objectively and effectively. It is important to remember that a conflict of interest can exist even where both the Company and the individual benefit. Conflicts of interest often arise when a director's or employee's position with the Company presents an opportunity for personal gain apart from the normal compensation provided through employment or fees for service as a director. Conflicts of interest also arise when a director or employee, or a member of such person's family, or an entity with which the director or employee is affiliated benefits or receives payment as a result of the director's or employee's position with the Company. A conflict of interest is deemed to exist whenever, as a result of the nature or responsibilities of his or her relationship with the Company, a director or employee is in a position to further any personal interest or the personal interest of a family member or other person with whom the director or employee has a close personal relationship.

Directors' and employees' primary business loyalty must lie with the Company. As a result, directors and employees must not engage in activities, including outside of work, that create a possible conflict of interest between the director or employee and the Company's best interest. An actual conflict of interest need not exist to constitute a violation of this Code. Directors and employees must avoid any action, investment, interest or association that reasonably might interfere, or appear to interfere, with their independent exercise of judgment in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. Nothing in this policy is intended to infringe upon employees' exercise of their rights under Section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act.

### 4.1 Transactions Presenting a Conflict of Interest

No director or employee is permitted to engage in any business or conduct or enter into any agreement or arrangement that would give rise to an actual or potential conflict of interest. Unless disclosed to and approved by the Company's General Counsel, directors and employees should not:

- Be involved in any Company business decisions that have an impact on another company or business in which the director or employee, or such person's family member, holds a significant interest (financial or otherwise), except as allowed by this Code;
- Have a significant interest (financial or otherwise) in any competitor, supplier, customer, partner, contractor, or subcontractor of the Company, particularly if he or she can influence, or has the appearance of influence over, business dealings or decisions affecting that entity, except a passive interest as described in Section 4.2 below;
- Have a significant relationship with a competitor, supplier, customer, partner, contractor, or subcontractor of the Company or any person employed by a competitor, supplier,

- customer, partner, contractor, or subcontractor of the Company with whom the director or employee interacts in a business capacity for the Company;
- Act as an employee, officer, director, partner, consultant, representative, agent, auditor or advisor of a competitor, supplier, customer, partner, contractor, or subcontractor of the Company;
- Deal directly, in the course of normal company responsibilities, with family members or others with whom the director or employee has a close personal relationship who are employed by a competitor, supplier, customer, partner, contractor, or subcontractor of the Company;
- Directly or indirectly own, trade or deal in assets, materials, supplies, equipment or other property with the intent of selling or renting to the Company or its customers.
- Engage in other activity that might adversely affect the Company, its business, or its reputation.

Any investment of more than five percent of a director's or employee's personal net worth, and any relationship with a director's or employee's family members or others with whom the director or employee has a close personal relationship, is presumed "significant". Any interest in another company that reasonably could influence a director or employee to make a decision based on that company's or a director's or employee's own interests (or that of a family member or other person with whom the director or employee has a close personal relationship) rather than the Company's best interest is considered "significant." An interest can be financial, such as owning stock, or personal, such as a family member or other close relationship with an owner of a company.

Employees presented with any situation, arrangement or transaction in which a conflict between their interests and the Company's interests arises or may arise must immediately notify the Company's General Counsel (including via Legal@bry.com). In some cases, an employee may not realize that a conflict exists until he or she is already engaged in the activity. In such cases, the employee should contact the Company's General Counsel as soon as the employee becomes aware that the potential for conflict exists. If known by the employee, the employee must disclose the same information concerning any family members or other person with whom the employee has a close personal relationship. The decision on whether to proceed with a particular situation, arrangement or transaction presenting a potential conflict of interest will be made by the Company's General Counsel. Directors should notify the Company's General Counsel or the Chair of the Audit Committee pursuant to the Company's Related Persons Transaction Policy.

If an employee or director is unsure about whether a contemplated activity might constitute a potential conflict of interest, the employee or director should contact the Company's General Counsel for guidance. Under certain circumstances, directors and employees may be required to divest any conflicting investment or terminate any conflicting relationship as a condition to continued employment or service with the Company.

This Section 4.1 is subject to the provisions of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and any preexisting executive employment arrangements that permit certain directors and officers to pursue opportunities that may also be of interest to the Company in limited circumstances.

# 4.2 Ownership of Supplier, Customer or Competitor Securities

Directors and employees may not purchase more than 5% of the outstanding securities of any publicly traded enterprise that is a supplier, customer or competitor of the Company, or of enterprises in which the Company has an ownership interest or partner/joint venture interest or is considering negotiating a partner/joint venture relationship.

#### 4.3 Gifts and Entertainment

Except as provided in this policy, directors and employees may not solicit or accept gifts of money (cash or cash equivalents) under any circumstances, nor may they solicit non-monetary gifts, gratuities, or any other personal benefit or favor of any kind from a business firm or individual doing or seeking to do business with the Company. Acceptance of gift certificates, vouchers or gift cards must be part of a marketing program and pre-approved by the General Counsel.

Directors and employees may offer, and directors, employees and members of their immediate families may accept, unsolicited, non-monetary gifts and entertainment from a business firm or individual doing or seeking to do business with the Company or with whom we wish to do business, only if the gift is reasonable, occurs infrequently and is of nominal value (meaning it is not excessive in value or unduly lavish (i.e., less than or equal to \$250.00)). Directors and employees should not regularly accept gifts of nominal value from the same source.

# 4.4 Sales to Relatives or Companies in which Employees Hold a Personal Interest

Employees selling the Company's products or services to businesses in which the employee or the employee's family member has a greater than 5% ownership or a direct or indirect controlling interest or in which the employee has a family member or other person with whom the employee has a close personal relationship who is in a managerial decision-making position to approve or consummate the sale on behalf of that business entity, shall:

- disclose the relationship to the Company's General Counsel and Strategic Planning & Commercial Marketing Director who will supervise the sale during its full term;
- document the relationship with the Company's General Counsel and Strategic Planning & Commercial Marketing Director; and
- immediately remove themselves from an internal dispute that involves a family member and turn the issue over to the Company's General Counsel and Strategic Planning & Commercial Marketing Director for handling.

In addition, employees must act within the general principles of ethical business conduct and procedures set forth in this Code to avoid any conflicts of interest or perceptions of conflicts of interest.

#### 4.5 Corporate Opportunities

Directors and employees are prohibited from directly or indirectly bidding for, purchasing, leasing or otherwise acquiring any property or asset or pursuing a business opportunity if they are aware or should be aware that the Company may also be interested in acquiring the same. In such cases, the employee must immediately notify the Company's General Counsel of the opportunity and

refrain from engaging in any transaction with respect to the opportunity unless authorized in writing by the Company's General Counsel. Directors should notify the Chair of the Audit Committee.

#### 5.0 INSIDER TRADING

Insider trading is against the Company's *Insider Trading Policy*. Directors, officers, employees, consultants or contractors of the Company or any of its subsidiaries are prohibited from transacting in the Company's securities while in possession of material, non-public information about the Company. Such persons are also prohibited from disclosing material, non-public information to anyone, except those persons within the Company or our third party representatives (such as our independent auditors, investment banking advisors or outside legal counsel) whose work responsibilities require them to be aware of it. Any director or employee who makes such a disclosure can be punished under the law, even if he or she realizes no financial gain. Insider trading is both unethical and illegal, and will be dealt with decisively.

#### 6.0 COMMUNICATIONS OUTSIDE OF THE COMPANY

#### 6.1 Communications Regarding Confidential or Sensitive Information

Directors and employees should not discuss any confidential, proprietary or sensitive information about the Company with any third party. Section 8 contains a description of such information. This prohibition applies to discussions with directors' and employees' family members, friends, acquaintances, and other parties even if they have no interest in our business. From time to time, directors and employees may receive calls regarding the Company from securities analysts or the news media. The proper response is to inform analysts that questions about the Company should be directed to the Company's Investor Relations representatives. Similarly, inquiries from the press should be directed to the Company's Investor Relations Department. Directors and employees must also refrain from disclosing confidential or sensitive information about the Company or posting responses to others' comments about confidential or sensitive Company information on internet bulletin boards. Nothing in this policy is intended to infringe upon employees' exercise of their rights under Section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act, and this policy does not prevent communications with any Government Body, as set forth in the Introduction. Further, pursuant to the U.S. federal Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016, an individual shall not be held criminally or civilly liable under any United States federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that: (x) is made (i) in confidence to a federal, state or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney and (ii) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; (y) is made to the individual's attorney in relation to a lawsuit for retaliation against the individual for reporting a suspected violation of law; or (z) is made in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or proceeding, if such filing is made under seal.

# 6.2 Communications with Attorneys

Information communicated to Company attorneys or outside counsel retained by the Company

generally is protected by the attorney-client privilege. This privilege protects from disclosure to others (including adverse parties in litigation) confidential communications between Company directors and employees and the Company's attorneys made for the purpose of obtaining legal advice on Company business matters. The privilege belongs to the Company, not to individual directors or employees. Directors and employees should keep such communications confidential and refrain from sharing them with others, including fellow employees or managers, unless authorized or directed by the Legal Department. Because the privilege belongs to the Company, the Company's attorneys may share any information provided as it sees fit.

#### 7.0 PROCUREMENT

#### 7.1 Doing Business with Suppliers and Vendors

The Company will seek to do business with suppliers and vendors, including contractors, subcontractors, partners, agents and others through whom the Company conducts business, that embrace and demonstrate high principles of ethical business conduct as detailed in this Code. The Company will not knowingly use suppliers who operate in violation of the applicable laws, rules and regulations, including but not limited to those regarding environmental, health and safety, employment and human rights matters.

Suppliers and vendors must treat their employees with respect and dignity and ensure that their employees are appropriately compensated with wages, overtime and benefits that meet or exceed legally mandated minimum standards. Suppliers and vendors are expected to provide their employees with a safe and healthy working environment free from discrimination based on a person's race, color, ethnicity, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, sex, gender identity and/or expression, sexual orientation, mental disability, physical disability, medical condition (as defined by applicable law), neuro(a)typicality, physical appearance, genetic information, age, parental status or pregnancy, marital status, religion, creed, political affiliation, military or veteran status socioeconomic status, background or any characteristic protected by applicable law.

Further, suppliers and vendors must not engage in any practice that constitutes child labor, forced labor, (including, without limitation prison labor, bonded labor and indentured labor) or trafficking in persons.

When making purchases of goods and services on behalf of the Company, employees are required to observe the Company's procurement policies, practices and guidelines as established by the Company's Supply Chain Management Department. Among other requirements, procurement agreements should be written to clearly identify the services or products to be provided, the basis for payment and the applicable price. The price must not be excessive in light of industry practice and must be commensurate with the services or products provided. No commitments or agreements should be made on behalf of the Company without proper fiscal and signatory authority.

The Company will contract with each of its suppliers only on the basis of quality, price, service and other valid business criteria. The fact that a supplier or potential supplier may also be a

customer of the Company shall not be the determining factor for making purchasing decisions. No employee may condition purchases from a supplier on the supplier's patronage with the Company, nor shall any employee attempt to persuade suppliers to purchase from the Company simply because the Company buys from them.

### 7.2 Contract Authorization, Letters of Intent

Any authority to execute contracts on behalf of the Company is limited. Employees executing contracts must observe all current established guidelines concerning designated policies for authority and financial approvals. When conducting business on behalf of the Company, employees may execute only agreements arranged for, written by, or approved by the Legal Department and/or the Supply Chain Management Department pursuant to current guidelines. Employees are prohibited from authorizing changes to any contractual terms unless approval to do such is granted by the Legal Department or the Supply Chain Management Department pursuant to current guidelines. The Company prohibits employees from issuing letters of intent unless the Legal Department grants prior approval.

# 7.3 Retaining Outside Legal Counsel

Outside legal counsel for the Company may be retained and directed only by the Legal Department, unless the Legal Department approves the retention by other departments or organizations of outside legal counsel for limited purposes, such as prosecuting collections actions against third parties. Except as otherwise set forth in the Company's Board of Director's and Committee charters, directors and employees are prohibited from selecting and obtaining their own outside legal counsel to handle Company business or other, Company-related matters.

### 8.0 SAFEGUARDING AND USING COMPANY ASSETS

#### 8.1 Use of Company Resources and Operations

Safeguarding Company and customer assets is the responsibility of all directors and employees. The Company must secure its operations, facilities, systems and information from sabotage and espionage to protect its clients and employees.

Directors and employees may not use the Company's or any customer's or supplier's money, materials, supplies or other resources, including computers, to advance their outside business interests. Personal calls from office telephones and personal use of Company computers should be kept to a minimum and may not conflict with the employee's work responsibilities, and if applicable, any departmental guidelines.

Internet, intranet, telephone and e-mail activities as well as Company facilities ("Systems and Facilities") are to be used for legitimate business purposes and, subject to the immediately preceding paragraph regarding personal use, other lawful purposes. The Company owns and has all rights to monitor, record, inspect, disclose and/or expunge all Systems and Facilities. Directors and employees should have no expectation of ownership, use, or rights of privacy with respect to Systems and Facilities. Employee use of all Company computing resources, including personal computers, networked services and internet, intranet and e-mail access (including Web surfing and

Web site creation activities) must at all times comply with all Company policies and all applicable laws, including those relating to confidential and proprietary information, intellectual property, unlawful invasions of privacy, defamation, sexual and other forms of harassment, and unfair competition or trade practices. Directors and employees must never act in a way that would bring liability or loss of credibility to the Company or its employees.

Company funds, including anything that has or represents financial value, must be handled responsibly, honestly and in accordance with applicable Company policies. Personal or unauthorized use of Company funds is strictly prohibited. Any suspected incident of fraud or theft should be reported immediately for investigation.

# 8.2 Confidential and Proprietary Information

Directors and employees must safeguard confidential and proprietary Company information by following Company policies and procedures and contractual agreements for identifying, using, retaining, protecting and disclosing this information. In particular, directors and employees must not use confidential and proprietary Company information for any purpose except as authorized and to advance the Company's business. Directors and employees may not: (a) release confidential and proprietary Company information, unless they have been designated as a person who is authorized to speak on behalf of the Company, or (b) release confidential and proprietary Company information to third parties, unless specifically authorized by the General Counsel, and then only if such third party agrees to be bound by a nondisclosure agreement in a form approved by the Legal Department.

For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Code is to be interpreted or applied in any way that prohibits, restricts or interferes with an employee's (a) exercise of rights provided under, or participation in, "whistleblower" programs of a Government Body (as defined in the Introduction), or (b) good faith communication or reporting of possible violations of applicable law to any Government Body, including cooperating with a Government Body in any governmental investigation regarding possible violations of applicable law. Employees may make such communications without having to get permission from, or provide notice to, the Company or any of its agents or representatives. Additionally, pursuant to the U.S. federal Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016, an individual shall not be held criminally or civilly liable under any United States federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that: (x) is made (i) in confidence to a federal, state or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney and (ii) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; (y) is made to the individual's attorney in relation to a lawsuit for retaliation against the individual for reporting a suspected violation of law; or (z) is made in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. Further, nothing in this policy is intended to restrict employees from engaging in activity protected by applicable law, including Section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act.

# 8.3 Intellectual Property, Inventions, Trade Secrets and Patents

The Company's ideas and inventions are among the most valuable of its intellectual property assets. Directors and employees are expected to protect our intellectual property and respect the intellectual property rights of others. The *Use of Facilities, Equipment and Property, Including* 

*Intellectual Property Policy (included in the Employee Handbook)* provides the framework and process for identifying, disclosing and evaluating these important Company assets and protecting these assets and any trade secret status, or through the process of obtaining patents.

# 8.4 Communications Systems and Network Security

Company-owned hardware, software, communications equipment and network systems are provided to employees to conduct the Company's business. Directors and employees are responsible for protecting Company equipment and systems from unauthorized access and inappropriate usage. In addition, directors and employees are prohibited from tampering with or destroying Company systems or equipment.

# 8.5 Blogging and Social Media

#### Public Forums

Directors and employees may not publish messages on blogs or engage in social networking on behalf of the Company unless approval to do so is granted by the Investor Relations Department in consultation with the General Counsel and/or Executive Vice President of Corporate Affairs, as applicable. In addition, any use of Company-owned or licensed logos, images, characters or character likenesses must be approved by the General Counsel prior to use.

Directors and employees engaged in personal social networking who mention the Company or their employment with the Company must clearly identify that any opinions expressed are their own and not necessarily those of the Company. Directors and employees engaged in any social networking or blogging on behalf of the Company or personally are prohibited from releasing confidential information of the Company on social or other networks. Unless employees participate in social media activities as part of their job with the Company, blogging and social networking activity may not interfere with the employee's work or work schedule. Content employees post must not include hyperlinks that connect the user to any internal Company sites. Directors and employees must not create fake blogs or other fake consumer testimonials in connection with reviewing or posting about the Company or its clients.

#### Company Internal-Only Forums

Any internal-only forum must receive advance approval by the Investor Relations Department in consultation with the Legal Department. Unless otherwise set forth in the *Social Media Policy (included in the Employee Handbook)*, employees are prohibited from sharing access to the internal-only forum or any information published on the internal-only forum with any non-employee. Employees are prohibited from publishing trade secrets or confidential information of the Company on the internal-only forum.

Nothing in this policy or other Company policy is intended to interfere with, restrain, or coerce employees in the exercise of their rights under Section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act, such as discussing wages, benefits, or terms and conditions of employment or engaging in concerted activity for their and their fellow employees' mutual aid or protection.

#### 9.0 POLITICAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

The Company encourages directors and employees to become actively involved in their communities. While directors and employees are encouraged to participate in community affairs, they must make it clear that their views and actions are their own, and not those of the Company. In any event, employees should ensure that their outside activities do not interfere with their job performance. Any director or employee who wishes to use Company funds, personnel time, equipment, supplies or facilities to support civic or charitable efforts must first obtain the approval the Executive Vice President of Corporate Affairs and the General Counsel.

Corporations are not permitted to make political contributions in connection with any election involving any federal office. There are similar laws in many states and foreign countries. The Company encourages directors and employees to participate in the political process on their own time, as long as they take care not to imply that they are acting on behalf of the Company. Directors' and employees' personal contributions to federal, state or local political campaigns must not be made with, or reimbursed by, Company funds. Individual participation must be voluntary, must occur during non-working hours, and may not involve the use of Company funds, personnel time, equipment, supplies or facilities.

All lobbying activities with respect to the Company's business or on the Company's behalf, including without limitation participation in trade groups or associations that lobby or advocate must be approved in advance in writing by, and coordinated through the Director of Government and Regulatory Affairs or General Counsel.

No employee or director is permitted to pressure another employee to contribute to a political action committee, political party or candidate, or charitable organization. Employees are also prohibited from posting or distributing any unauthorized political or non-company collateral in working areas on Company premises.

Please also refer to the Political Activity Legal Compliance Policy.

#### 10.0 DATA PRIVACY

All directors and employees are required to comply with laws and regulations governing the collection, use and distribution of personal information relating to customers, employees or others. Personal information includes any information that identifies, relates to, describes, references, is capable of being associated with, or could be reasonably linked, directly or indirectly, with a particular person or household. Directors and employees are required to take reasonable and necessary steps to protect against unauthorized access to and disclosure of personally identifiable data and to maintain the highest practicable level of accuracy and integrity of this data.

On occasion, outside parties request from the Company the disclosure of personal information about a former or present employee. In responding to such requests, Company employees are required to observe the Company's employment verification process. No other information about

former or current employees may Legal Department.	be shared with	outside parties,	unless directed to	o do so by the		
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#### RESOURCES AND CONTACT LIST

# Any questions regarding this Policy should be addressed to the Company's General Counsel:

Compliance@bry.com 16000 N. Dallas Pkwy., Suite 500 Dallas, Texas 75248 (661) 616-3900

Ethics Point – Confidential, Anonymous Hotline (Administered by independent third-party) <a href="https://www.berrypetroleum.ethicspoint.com">www.berrypetroleum.ethicspoint.com</a> 1-844-836-0245

# **Other Company Policies and Procedures**

- Employee Handbook
- EH&S Manual
- Delegation of Authority, Procurement and Contracting Policy
- Policy for Complaint Procedures for Accounting and Compliance Matters
- Insider Trading Policy
- Reg FD Policy
- Related Persons Transactions Policy
- Records Retention Policy
- Political Activity Legal Compliance Policy
- Supplier Code of Conduct

As approved and adopted by the Board effective the 26th day of October 2023.