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In Reply Refer To:

January 28, 2014 Comp Sale
1600/3100 (MTC030.SG)

July 1, 2013

Dear Reader:

The BLM is conducting an oil and gas leasing environmental assessment (EA). The preliminary list of parcels and leasing recommendations is posted for your review via the internet on our home page. Please refer to the Montana/Dakotas BLM website at <http://blm.gov/l6kd>. Current and updated information about our EA's, Lease Sale Notices, and corresponding information pertaining to this sale can be found at the link referenced above. Once there, search for the January 28, 2014 lease sale to review the preliminary parcel list with recommended stipulations.

If you have any comments or know of any issues that should be addressed in our analysis of the parcels, please provide comments using one of the following methods:

Email: [BLM MT North DakotaFO Lease EA@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_MT_North_DakotaFO_Lease_EA@blm.gov)

Mail: North Dakota Field Office
Attention: Oil and Gas EA
99 23rd Avenue West, Suite A
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Contact: Shelly Gerhart (701) 227-7741

To be most useful, we should receive your comments before July 15, 2013. Please reference the parcel number(s) in your correspondence.

We plan to have the EA available for a 30-day review on August 26, 2013. Please refer to the link listed above at www.blm.gov/mt. Locate Appendix A within the EA document to view the listing of parcel numbers, legal descriptions, and lease stipulations.

Upon updating the EA, parcels recommended for leasing will be listed on a competitive oil and gas lease sale scheduled for January 28, 2014. The lease sale notice will be posted on the website October 30, 2013.

A map of the parcel locations has also been posted to our internet web site. If your office plans to utilize GIS applications in your review of these parcels and you would like to receive shape files, please contact Randy Schardt, GIS Coordinator, at (406)896-5141 or via email at Randall_Schardt@blm.gov.

If you have any questions, or would like more information about lease sale notices or the EA process, please contact Teri Bakken at (406) 896-5091 or via email at Teri_Bakken@blm.gov.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Rymerson
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