



Notice of Competitive Lease Sale Oil and Gas

The Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States, is pleased to announce that we will offer for competitive sale certain Federal lands in Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi for oil and gas leasing. This notice describes—

1. the time and place of the auction,
2. how to register for and participate in the bidding process,
3. the conditions of the auction,
4. how to file a pre-sale noncompetitive offer, and
5. how to file a noncompetitive offer after the auction.

When and where will the auction take place?

When: The competitive oral auction will begin at 10:00 a.m. on March 22, 2001. The sale room will open one hour earlier to allow you to register and get your bidding number.

Where: We will hold the auction at the BLM, Eastern States, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153. Parking is available at the sale site.

Access: The auction room is accessible to persons with disabilities. If you need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the auction, such as a sign language interpreter or materials in an alternate format, please contact Gina Goodwin at (703) 440-1534 by March 8, 2001.

How do I register as a bidder?

You have to register and get a bidding number to participate in the sale. A Bidder Registration Form is included in this package. We will have copies available at the auction site. We will begin registering bidders at 9:00 a.m. on the day of the sale

How do I participate in the bidding process?

The auctioneer will offer the parcels on the list attached to this notice in number order. Only registered bidders may make oral bids. All bids are on a per-acre basis for the entire acreage in the parcel. The winning bid will be the highest oral bid equal to or exceeding the minimum acceptable bid. The decision of the auctioneer is final.

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The minimum acceptable bid is \$2 per acre or fraction thereof. If the parcel has fractional acreage, round it up to the next whole acre. For example, a parcel of 100.5 acres requires a minimum bid of \$202 (\$2 x 101 acres). After the auctioneer has offered all parcels, you may request that any unsold parcel be re-offered.

What are the terms and conditions of a lease issued as a result of this sale?

6. **Term of the lease:** A lease is issued for a primary term of 10 years. It continues beyond that if it has production in paying quantities. We charge a royalty of 12.5 percent of the value of oil or gas removed or sold from a lease. You will find other lease terms on our standard lease form (Form 3100-11, June 1988 or later editions).
7. **Stipulations:** Some parcels are subject to surface use stipulations. They are requirements or restrictions on how you conduct operations. These stipulations are included in the parcel descriptions on the attached list. They become part of the lease and supercede any inconsistent provisions in the lease form.

What are the terms of the sale?

8. **Withdrawal:** We reserve the right to withdraw any or all parcels from the sale before the auction begins. If we withdraw any parcels, we will post a notice in the Public Room at the Eastern States Office. You may also get the numbers of withdrawn parcels by contacting Gina Goodwin at (703) 440-1534. If we cancel the sale, we will try to notify all interested parties in advance.
9. **Payment:** You cannot withdraw your bid; it is a legally binding commitment to sign the lease bid form; accept the lease; and pay **on the day of the auction** the bonus bid, the first year's rent, and an administrative fee. The bonus bid is a deposit of at least \$2.00 per acre or fraction thereof. The first year's rent is \$1.50 per acre or fraction thereof. The administrative fee is \$75 per parcel.

You must pay minimum bonus, first year's rental and administrative fee by 4:30 p.m., either at the Eastern States accounting office. You may pay the entire amount of your bid on the day of the auction, but if you don't, you must pay the balance by March April 5, 2001, which is the 10th working day following the auction. If you don't pay in full by this date, you forfeit the right to the lease **and all money you have paid us**. If you forfeit a parcel, we may offer it for sale at a later auction.

10. **Form of payment:** You can pay by personal check, certified check, money order, or credit card (VISA, MASTERCARD, AMERICAN EXPRESS, OR DISCOVER). Make a check payable to: **Department of the Interior–BLM**. We don't accept cash. If a check you have sent us in the past has bounced (been returned for insufficient funds), we will require that you give us a guaranteed payment, such as a certified check.

11. **Bid form:** Successful bidders must submit a signed competitive lease bid form (Form 3000-2, Oct. 1989) with their payment on the day of the auction. This form is a legally binding offer by a prospective lessee to accept a lease and all applicable terms and conditions. We recommend you get the form and complete part of it before the auction, leaving part to be filled out at the auction. Your completed bid form certifies that you are qualified to be a lessee under our regulations at 43 CFR Part 12 and Subpart 3102.5-2. It also certifies that you comply with 18 U.S.C. 1860, a law prohibiting unlawful combinations, intimidation of or collusion among bidders.
12. **Issuance of a lease:** We (the BLM) will issue your lease within 60 days of the sale date by signing the lease form provided you have paid your fees and rent. The effective date of a lease is the first day of the month following the month in which we sign the lease. We can make it effective the first day of the month in which we sign it, if we receive your written request before we sign the lease.

How do I file a noncompetitive pre-sale offer?

Under our regulations at 43 CFR 3110.1(a), you can file a noncompetitive pre-sale offer for lands that –

13. are available,
14. have not been under lease during the previous one-year period; or
15. have not been included in a competitive lease sale within the previous two-year period.

If no bid is received on them, your pre-sale offer gives you priority over any offer filed after the auction. In the list of parcels attached to this notice, we have used an asterisk to mark any parcel that has a pending pre-sale offer. By filing a pre-sale offer, you are consenting to all terms and conditions of the lease, including any stipulations for listed on the attachment to this notice.

To file a pre-sale offer, you must send us --:

16. a standard lease form (Form 3100-11, June 1988 or later edition), which is properly filled out, as required by the regulations under 43 CFR 3110. (**Note: You must copy both sides of the form on one page. If you copy the form on 2 pages, we will reject your offer. We will also reject offers on obsolete lease forms.**);
17. the first year's advance rent in the amount of \$1.50 per acre or fraction thereof; and
18. a nonrefundable administrative fee in the amount of \$75.

NOTE: You cannot file a pre-sale offer for any lands included in the parcel list attached to this notice.

How do I file a noncompetitive offer after the auction?

You may be able to get a noncompetitive lease for a parcel we offered if –

19. we did not withdraw it from the sale;
20. it did not receive a bid; and
21. it does not have a noncompetitive pre-sale offer pending.

Parcels that meet all these criteria are available on a first-come, first-served basis for two years from the date of the auction. If you want to file a noncompetitive offer for an unsold parcel immediately after the sale or on the next business day, give us the items listed above under pre-sale offers in a sealed envelope marked “Noncompetitive Offer.” We will provide drop boxes at the auction and at the Eastern States accounting office. We consider all noncompetitive offers that we receive on the day of the sale and the first business day after the sale as filed at the same time (simultaneously). Where an unsold parcel receives more than one simultaneous filing, we will hold a public drawing to determine who will get the lease.

When is the next sale scheduled?

The next sale is tentatively scheduled for June 21, 2001.

Who should I contact if I have a question?

For more information, contact Gina Goodwin at (703) 440-1534.

/S/ Ida V. Doup

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Chief, Branch of Use Authorization
Division of Resources Planning, Use
and Protection

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PLEASE COMPLETE ONE FORM FOR EACH COMPANY AND/OR INDIVIDUAL YOU ARE REPRESENTING AND BRING TO THE SALE LOCATION TO SPEED PROCESSING OF REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION FORM

BIDDER NO. _____
(Leave Blank)

NAME: _____

BUSINESS PHONE: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

**THE LESSEE MUST BE QUALIFIED TO HOLD
A FEDERAL OIL AND GAS LEASE.**

SIGNATURE

DATE

A COPY OF THE LEASE AND ALL BILLING NOTICES WILL BE SENT TO THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE LESSEE AS SHOWN ON FORM 3000-2 (BID FORM).

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Lease Form Front

Lease Form Back

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ES-001-03/01 ARES 50943 PD

Arkansas, Yell County, Ouachita N.F.

T3N, R25W, 5th Principal Meridian

Sec. 1, fr. NWNW, SW;

Sec. 3, fr. N2NE, SWSW;

Sec. 4, fr. N2NE, fr. SWNE, fr. NW, N2SW;

Sec. 5, fr. N2, SW, N2SE;

Sec. 6, All;

Sec. 7, N2NE, fr. NW, fr. N2SW, S2SE;

Sec. 8, SWNW;

Sec. 9, NENE;

Sec. 18, S2SENE; S2NESENE, NENESENE, S2S2SWNE,

NWSWNE, NWNESWNE, NWNE, N2NENE, N2S2NENE, S2 of fr. NW.

2,167.49 Acres

\$3,252.00 Rental

Subject to F.S. Controlled Surface Use Stipulation #1 and F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-002-03/01 ARES 50944 ACQ

Arkansas, Yell County, Ouachita N.F.

T3N, R25W, 5th Principal Meridian

Sec. 1, E2, fr. NENW, S2NW;

Sec. 2, All;

Sec. 3, N2NW, S2N2, N2S2, SESW, S2SE;

Sec. 4, SENE, S2SW, SE;

Sec. 5, S2SE;

Sec. 7, S2NE, fr. S2SW, N2SE;

Sec. 8, SWNENE, SENWNE, W2SW, NESE.

2,219.61 Acres

\$3,330.00 Rental

Subject to F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-003-03/01 ARES 50945 ACQ

Arkansas, Yell County, Ouachita N.F.

T3N, R25W, 5th Principal Meridian

Sec. 9, NWNE, S2NE, N2NW, SENW, NWSW, E2SE;

Sec. 10, N2, NESW, N2SE;

Sec. 11, N2;

Sec. 12, NE, S2NW, NWSE;

Sec. 17, N2N2, SWNE;

Sec. 18, fr. N2NW, SENW, fr. N2SW, N2SESW, fr. W2SW;

Sec. 35, SWSW, SESE;

Sec. 36, NWSW.

1,927.58 Acres

\$2,892.00 Rental

Subject to F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-004-03/01 ARES 50946 PD

Arkansas, Yell County, Ouachita N.F.
T4N, R25W, 5th Principal Meridian
Sec. 1, Lots 1,2,3,4,10;
Sec. 2, Lots 4-13 inclusive, Lots 17, 18 SW, W2SW;
Sec. 3, Lots 1-17 inclusive, Lot 19, S2.
1,986.90 Acres
\$2,980.50 Rental
Subject to F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-005-03/01 ARES 50947 PD

Arkansas, Yell County, Ouachita N.F.
T4N, R25W, 5th Principal Meridian
Sec. 4, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, W2SW, SESE;
Sec. 8, N2, SW, N2SE;
Sec. 9, E2NE, SWNE, SENW, N2SW, SESW, S2SE.
1,556.57 Acres
\$2,335.50 Rental
Subject to F.S. Controlled Surface Use Stipulation No. 1 and Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-006-03/01 ARES 50948 PD

Arkansas, Yell County, Ouachita N.F.
T4N, R25W, 5th Principal Meridian
Sec. 10, NE, N2NW;
Sec. 11, N2;
Sec. 12, N2, N2S2, S2SW.
1,120.00 Acres
\$1,680.00 Rental
Subject to F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-007-03/01 ARES 50949 ACQ

Arkansas, Yell County, Ouachita N.F.
T4N, R25W, 5th Principal Meridian
Sec. 1, Lots 5 thru 9 and Lots 11 thru 18 of the N2, S2.
Sec. 2, Lots 1, 14, 15, 16 of N2, E2SE;
Sec. 3, Lot 18 of N2;
Sec. 4, Lots 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 of N2, E2SW, NESE, W2SE;
Sec. 6, Lot 9, Lot 13, N2 Lot 10 (No Dry Creek Wilderness lands are intended to be within this description).
1,700.16 Acres
\$2,551.50 Rental
Subject to F.S. Controlled Surface Use Stipulation No. 1, Controlled Surface Use Stipulation No. 1a and Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-008-03/01 ARES 50950 ACQ

Arkansas, Yell County, Ouachita N.F.

T4N, R25W, 5th Principal Meridian

Sec. 7, SWNESESW, S2NWSESW, NWNWSESW, NWSESESW, N2SWSESW
(No Dry Creek Wilderness lands are intended to be within this description);

Sec. 8, S2SE;

Sec. 9, NWNE, N2NW, SWNW, SWSW, N2SE;

Sec. 10, S2NW, SW, N2SE;

Sec. 11, N2SW, SE;

Sec. 13, SENE.

937.50 Acres

\$1,407.00 Rental

Subject to F.S. Controlled Surface Use Stipulation No. 1, Controlled Surface Use Stipulation
No. 1a and Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-009-03/01 ARES 50951 PD

Arkansas, Scott County, Ouachita N.F.

T2N, R32W, 5th Principal Meridian

Sec. 22, NENE, S2NE, W2SE;

Sec. 23, SENE, NW;

Sec. 24, E2NE, W2NW, N2S2, SWSE;

Sec. 25, N2NE, SENE, NENW, E2SW, SE;

Sec. 26, NENE, NW, N2SW, SESW.

1,480.00 Acres

\$2,220.00 Rental

Subject to Lease Notice No. 4

ES-010-03/01 ARES 50952 PD

Arkansas, Scott County, Ouachita N.F.

T2N, R32W, 5th Principal Meridian

Sec. 27, N2NE, SENE, S2SW, NESE, SWSE;

Sec. 28, NESW;

Sec. 29, N2, S2SW, N2SE;

Sec. 30, fr. NWNW, S2SE;

Sec. 33, S2NE, N2SE;

Sec. 34, N2N2, SWSW, NWSE, S2SE;

Sec. 35, NENE, NWNW;

Sec. 36, SENE, NENW, NWSW.

1,596.18 Acres

\$2,395.50 Rental

Subject to Lease Notice No. 4

ES-011-03/01 ARES 50953 ACQ

Arkansas, Scott County, Ouachita N.F.

T2N, R32W, 5th Principal Meridian

Sec. 22, NWNE, W2, E2SE;
Sec. 23, NENE, W2E2, SW, E2SE;
Sec. 24, SWNE, SESE;
Sec. 25, SWNE, W2W2, SENW;
Sec. 26 NWNE, S2NE, SWSW, SE;
Sec. 27, NW, SESE.
1,720.00 Acres
\$2,580.00 Rental
Subject to Lease Notice No. 4

ES-012-03/01 ARES 50954 ACQ

Arkansas, Scott County, Ouachita N.F.
T2N, R32W, 5th Principal Meridian
Sec. 28, SWNE, NW, Tract A-557b lying in the SE;
Sec. 29, N2SW, S2SE;
Sec. 30, NE, fr. NENW, fr. S2NW, fr. SW, N2SE;
Sec. 31, N2NE, fr. S2S2;
Sec. 32, N2NENE, NWNW, Tract A-613b lying in the N2N2, S2SE;
Sec. 33, SW, S2SE;
Sec. 34, S2NW, N2SW;
Sec. 35, SE;
Sec. 36, NENE, W2NW, SWSW, E2SE.
1,968.10 Acres
\$2,953.50 Rental
Subject to Lease Notice No. 4

ES-013-03/01 ARES 50955 ACQ

Arkansas, Scott County, Ouachita N.F.
T2N, R32W, 5th Principal Meridian
Sec. 27, NWSW, W2NESW;
Sec. 35, SENE.
50% U.S. Mineral Interest
100.00 Acres
\$150.00 Rental
Subject to Lease Notice No. 4

CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION No. 1

Surface occupancy or use is subject to the following special operating constraints:

Activities must be conducted in such a manner as to reasonably reduce visibility of the operation and meet visual quality objectives to the extent practical.

On the lands described below:

TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 25 WEST
FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN

Public Domain

Section 6: S2NW, S2

Section 7: NWNW

For the purpose of:

To meet visual quality objective and to protect semiprimitive recreation values; Land and Resource Management Plan dated 3/5/90, as amended and Final EIS.

The above lands lie within Dutch Creek Scenic Area (Management Area 2 of LRMP).

Any changes to this stipulation will be made in accordance with the Ouachita National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, as amended, and/or the regulatory provisions for such changes. (For guidance on the use of of this stipulation, see BLM Manual 1624 and 3101 or FS manual 1950 and 2820).

CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION No. 1

Surface occupancy or use is subject to the following special operating constraints:

Activities must be conducted in such a manner as to reasonably reduce visibility of the operation and meet visual quality objectives to the extent practical.

The lessee is given notice that portions of the lease area contain special value, are needed for special purposes, and require special attention to prevent damage to surface resources. A surface use or occupancy that might be allowed within such areas will be limited. It will be authorized by the Forest Service only if the lessee demonstrates that surface use or occupancy is essential to his operations, and if he submits special plans for operations affecting these areas which provide for such modifications as are satisfactory to the Forest Service for protection of these special values and existing or planned uses. After the Forest Service has been advised of the proposed surface use on the leased lands, and on request of the lessee, the Forest Service will furnish further data on such.

On the lands described below:

TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 25 WEST
FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN

Public Domain

Section 4: Lots 4,13,20, W1/2SW

Section 5: All

Section 6: Lots 1,2,3; N1/2 of Lot 4; N1/2N1/2S1/2 of Lot 4; Lots 5,6,7,8,14,15,16; SE

Section 7: NE; E1/2SENW

Acquired

Section 4: Lots 5,12

Section 6: Lots 9 & 13; N1/2N1/2 of Lot 10

Section 7: fr. SENENW; fr. E1/2NENENW

For the purpose of:

To meet visual quality objective and to protect semiprimitive recreation values; Land and Resource Management Plan dated 3/5/90, as amended and Final EIS.

Semi-Primitive Motorized Area

Any changes to this stipulation will be made in accordance with the Ouachita National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, as amended, and/or the regulatory provisions for such changes. (For guidance on the use of of this stipulation, see BLM Manual 1624 and 3101 or FS manual 1950 and 2820).

CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION No. 1a

Surface occupancy or use is subject to the following special operating constraints:

Activities must be conducted in such a manner as to reasonably reduce visibility of the operation and meet visual quality objectives to the extent practical.

This lease does not, nor is it intended to, include any lands within Dry Creek Designated Wilderness Area. Additional information concerning the identification of the boundary of the Dry Creek Designated Wilderness can be obtained from the Forest Supervisor, U. S. Forest Service, P. O. Box 1270, Hot Springs, AR 71902. The following lands adjoin the boundary of Dry Creek Designated Wilderness Area.

On the lands described below:

TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 25 WEST
FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN

Public Domain

Section 6: N1/2N1/2S1/2 of Lot 4; Lot 16, SE

Section 7: E1/2SENW; E1/2NWNESW; S1/2NESW; S1/2S1/2SESW

Acquired

Section 6: N1/2N1/2 of Lot 10; Lots 9 & 13

Section 7: SENENW; E1/2NENENW

For the purpose of:

To meet visual quality objective and to protect semiprimitive recreation values; Land and Resource Management Plan dated 3/5/90, as amended and Final EIS.

The above lands lie along U.S. Highway 270. (Management Area 18 of LRMP).

Any changes to this stipulation will be made in accordance with the Ouachita National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, as amended, and/or the regulatory provisions for such changes. (For guidance on the use of of this stipulation, see BLM Manual 1624 and 3101 or FS manual 1950 and 2820).

LEASE NOTICE NO. 3

All or part of the leased lands may contain animal or plant species classified under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. Other species may have been identified as sensitive in accordance with Forest Service Manual 2670 and be listed on the correct Regional Forester's List of Sensitive Plant and Animal Species. Further information concerning the classification of these species may be obtained from the authorized Forest Officer.

Exploration and development proposals may be limited or modifications required if activity is planned within the boundaries of a threatened, endangered or sensitive plant or animal species location as it then exists. All activities within these areas must be conducted in accordance with existing laws, regulations and the Forest Land and Resource Management Plan guidelines.

LEASE NOTICE NO. 4

All or part of the leased lands may be classified as wetlands in accordance with Executive Order 11990, "Protection of Wetlands" or a floodplain in accordance with Executive Order No. 11988, "Floodplain Management." Additional management requirements for the protection of riparian areas are contained in 36 CFR 219.27(e) and the National Forest Resource Management Act of 1976.

All activities within these areas may require special measures to mitigate adverse impacts to the resource values. They must comply with the above referenced executive orders, regulations, laws and be in accordance with the Forest Land and Resource Management Plan guidelines.

Any changes to this stipulation will be made in accordance with the Ouachita National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, as amended, and/or the regulatory provisions for such changes. (For guidance on the use of this stipulation, see BLM manual 1624 and 3101 or FS manual 1950 and 2820).

**STIPULATION FOR LANDS OF THE NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM
UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

The lessee/permittee/lessee must comply with all the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture set forth at Title 36, Chapter II, of the Code of Federal Regulations governing the use and management of the National Forest System (NFS) when not inconsistent with the rights granted by the Secretary of the Interior in the license/prospecting permit/lease. The Secretary of Agriculture's rules and regulations must be complied with for (1) all use and occupancy of the NFS prior to approval of a permit/operation plan by the Secretary of the Interior, (2) uses of all existing improvements, such as Forest development roads, within and outside the area licensed, permitted or leased by the Secretary of the Interior, and (3) use and occupancy of the NFS not authorized by a permit/operating plan approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

All matters related to this stipulation are to be addressed to:

Forest Supervisor, Ouachita National Forest
P.O. Box 1270
The Federal Building
100 Reserve
Hot Springs, Arkansas 71902
Phone Number: 501-321-5202

BLM Field Office
Jackson Field Office
411 Briarwood Drive, Suite 404
Jackson, Mississippi 39206

Surface Management Agency
USDA, Forest Service (Region 8)
Room 792 South, Lands and Minerals
1720 Peachtree Road, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30367

ES-014-03/01 LAES 50956 PD

Louisiana, Vermilion Parish, BLM

T16S, R1E, Louisiana Meridian

Sec. 2, Lot 2;

Sec. 3, Lot 2;

Sec. 10, Lot 2;

Sec. 11, Lot 1.

6.43 Acres

\$10.50 Rental

Subject to BLM No Surface or Subsurface Occupancy Stipulation

ES-015-03/01 LAES 50957 PD

Louisiana, Beauregard Parish, BLM

T7S, R9W, Louisiana Meridian

Sec. 33, SENW.

40.00 Acres

\$60.00 Rental

Subject to BLM No Surface or Subsurface Occupancy Stipulation

BLM NO SURFACE OR SUB-SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATION

No Occupancy (surface or sub-surface) is allowed on the lands described below unless application by letter for a waiver (as defined below) is made that demonstrates that surface or sub-surface occupancy on the leasehold is necessary to produce the lease, consent is given by the Surface Management Agency, if applicable, and subsequent planning analysis/environmental assessment (PA/EA) shows that surface or sub-surface occupancy, as requested, would not result in unacceptable adverse impacts to the environment, as determined by the Authorized Officer.

Waiver: A waiver from this lease stipulation may be granted for all or portion of this lease. Prior to granting any waiver, a PA/EA documentation must be completed for the entire lease based on a Reasonably Foreseeable Development Scenario (RFDS). The analysis must consider past, present, and reasonable foreseeable impacts on the lease and adjacent areas. With the consent of the Surface Management Agency, if applicable, a waiver of the stipulation may be granted for those portions of the lease identified as not containing sensitive or important historic, cultural, and scenic values, fish or wildlife resources or their habitat or other important or sensitive natural systems, processes or human values.

Exception: None.

Modification: None.

LEASE NOTICE

This lease does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State, or local authorization required by law.

ES-016-03/01 MSES 50958 PD

Mississippi, Covington County, BLM
T8N, R14W, St. Stephens Meridian
Sec. 4, NENE.
40.80 Acres
Subject to BLM No Surface or Subsurface Occupancy Stipulation

ES-017-03/01 MSES 50959 PD

Mississippi, Covington County, BLM
T6N, R15W, St. Stephens Meridian
Sec. 8, S2SE;
Sec. 17, NWNE.
70.00 Acres
\$105.00 Rental
Subject to BLM No Surface or Subsurface Occupancy Stipulation

ES-018-03/01 MSES 50960 PD

Mississippi, Forrest County, BLM
T3N, R13W, St. Stephens Meridian
Sec. 15, SWNE, NWSW.
80.00 Acres
\$120.00 Rental
Subject to BLM No Surface or Subsurface Occupancy Stipulation

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Exception: None.
Modification: None.

LEASE NOTICE

This lease does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State, or local authorization required by law.

ES-019-03/01 MSES 50961 ACQ

Mississippi, Scott County, Bienville N.F.

T7N, R7E, Choctaw Meridian

Sec. 26, N2NE, NENW.

000.00 Acres

\$00.00 Rental

Subject to F.S. Controlled Surface Use Stipulation No. 1, Timing Limitation Stipulation No. 1, and Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-020-03/01 MSES 50962 AC1

Mississippi, Adams County, Homochitto N.F.

T5N, R1W, Washington Meridian

Sec. 14, Tract H-20b.

106.24 Acres

\$160.50 Rental

Subject to F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-021-12/00 MSES 50963 ACQ (*MSES 50924)

Mississippi, Adams County, Homochitto N.F.

T5N, R1W, Washington Meridian

Sec. 34, Tract H-20b.

159.78 Acres

\$240.00 Rental

Subject to F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-022-03/01 MSES 50964 ACQ

Mississippi, Wayne County, DeSoto N.F.

T6N, R7W, St. Stephens Meridian

Sec. 5, All.

649.50 Acres

\$975.00 Rental

Subject to F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

ES-023-03/01 MSES 50965 ACQ

Mississippi, Pearl River County, DeSoto N.F.

T10S, R14W, St. Stephens Meridian

Sec. 13, **W2** less 0.86 acre described as: Commence at the 1/4 section corner common to Sections 12 & 13, said corner being monumented with a 5"X5" concrete monument witnessed by a 5" pine S 46E W 0.26 chains & a 6" pine S 78E W 0.14 chains, run due West along said Section line 16.80 chains to a point, said point being the point of beginning of traverse of claimed area, thence S 23E W 3.34 chains, thence N 72E W 2.04 chains, thence N 23E W 2.65 chains to Section line, thence due East 4.27 chains along said Section line to the point of beginning; **S2SE**.

398.47 Acres

\$599.00 Rental

Subject to F.S. Lease Notice Nos. 3 and 4

NATIONAL FORESTS IN MISSISSIPPI

TIMING LIMITATION STIPULATION NO. 1

No surface use is allowed during the following time period(s). This stipulation does not apply to operation and maintenance of production facilities.

Site construction and drilling may be restricted during the wet season from 11/30 thru 3/31 depending on site specific conditions at the time the Application for Permit to Drill is filed.

On the lands described below:

Entire Lease

For the purpose of (reasons):

Prevent excessive soil erosion and rutting resulting from construction activities during the wet season. Land and Resource Management Plan, National Forests in Mississippi, as amended, 9/85.

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CONTROLLED SURFACE USE STIPULATION NO. 1

Surface occupancy or use is subject to the following special operating constraints:

Oil and gas activities must be conducted in such a manner as to reasonably reduce visibility of the operation to the extent possible.

On the lands described below:

Shockaloe Recreation trail located in the N2SW & SESW of Section 33; SW & N2SE of Section 14; S2NE, E2NW & S2S2 of Section 23; SESE, W2SE, SW & SWNW of Section 24; E2E2 of Section 25; N2NE of Section 26; W2SW, NESW, NW, W2NE & NWSE of Section 27; SESW, N2SW & W2NW of Section 34; S2NE, N2SE, NENE, E2SW & SWSE of Section 36, T7N, R7E, Choctaw Meridian

Shockaloe Recreation Trail and Base Camp #2 located in S2SE & NESE of Section 22, T7N, R7E, Choctaw Meridian

For the purpose of:

To meet visual quality objectives. Land and Resource Management Plan, National Forests in Mississippi, as amended, 9/85.

Any changes to this stipulation will be made in accordance with the land use plan and/or the regulatory provisions for such changes. (For guidance on the use of this stipulation, see BLM Manual 1624 and 3101 or FS Manual 1950 and 2820.)

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LEASE NOTICE NO. 3

All or part of the leased lands may contain animal or plant species classified under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. Other species may have been identified as sensitive in accordance with Forest Service Manual 2670 and be listed on the correct Regional Forester's List of Sensitive Plant and Animal Species. Further information concerning the classification of these species may be obtained from the authorized Forest Officer.

Exploration and development proposals may be limited or modifications required if activity is planned within the boundaries of a threatened, endangered or sensitive plant or animal species location as it then exists. All activities within these areas must be conducted in accordance with existing laws, regulations and the Forest Land and Resource Management Plan guidelines.

LEASE NOTICE NO. 4

All or part of the leased lands may be classified as wetlands in accordance with Executive Order 11990, "Protection of Wetlands" or a floodplain in accordance with Executive Order No. 11988, "Floodplain Management." Further information concerning the classification of these lands may be obtained from the authorized Forest office.

All activities within these areas must be conducted in a manner to minimize adverse impacts to the resource values and in accordance with the Forest Land and Resource Management Plan guidelines.

**STIPULATION FOR LANDS OF THE NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM
UNDER JURISDICTION OF DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

The licensee/permittee/lessee must comply with all the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture set forth at Title 36, Chapter II, of the Code of Federal Regulations governing the use and management of the National Forest System (NFS) when not inconsistent with the rights granted by the Secretary of the Interior in the license/prospecting permit/lease. The Secretary of Agriculture's rules and regulations must be complied with for (1) all use and occupancy of the NFS prior to approval of a permit/operation plan by the Secretary of the Interior, (2) uses of all existing improvements, such as Forest development roads, within and outside the area licensed, permitted or leased by the Secretary of the Interior, and (3) use and occupancy of the NFS not authorized by a permit/operating plan approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

All matters related to this stipulation are to be addressed to:

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who is the authorized representative of the Secretary of Agriculture.

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