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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Dillon Field Office 1005 Selway Drive Dillon, Montana 59725 http://www.blm.gov/mt



March 21, 2014

Dear Interested Party:

October 21, 2014 Comp Sale

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 <a href="http://blm.gov/qtld">http://blm.gov/qtld</a>. 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 October 21, 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: <u>BLM\_MT\_Great\_Falls\_Lease\_EA@blm.gov</u>

Mail: Great Falls Oil and Gas Field Office Attention: Oil and Gas EA 1101 15<sup>th</sup> Street North Great Falls, Montana 59401

Contact: Andrea Parrott (406) 791-7769

To be most useful, we should receive your comments before April 9, 2014. Please refer to the link listed above at <u>www.blm.gov/mt</u>. 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 October 21, 2014. The lease sale notice will be posted on the website July 23, 2014.

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 <u>Randall\_Schardt@blm.gov</u>. If you have any questions, or would like more information about lease sale notices or the EA process, please contact Andrea Parrott at (406) 791-7769 or via email at <u>AParrott@blm.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Cornelia H. Hudson Field Manager