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December 16, 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 July 15, 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  
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Contact: Shelly Ziman (701) 227-7741

To be most useful, we should receive your comments before December 31, 2013. Please reference the parcel number(s) in your correspondence.

We plan to have the EA available for a 30-day review on February 10, 2014. Please refer to the link listed above at [www.blm.gov/mt](http://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 July 15, 2014. The lease sale notice will be posted on the website April 16, 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 [Randall\\_Schardt@blm.gov](mailto:Randall_Schardt@blm.gov).

If you have any questions, or would like more information about lease sale notices or the EA process, please contact Lane Carano at (406)896-5092 or via email at [lcarano@blm.gov](mailto:lcarano@blm.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard A. Rymerson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Richard A. Rymerson  
Field Manager