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ERRATA SHEET

This Errata Sheet updates information provided on page 3 (Section titled “Forms of payment”) of the May 19, 2015, *Notice of Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale*.

On March 4, 2015, the attached Information Bulletin (IB) No. OC-2015-019, containing changes to allowable methods of payment to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), was issued by the BLM National Operations Center. The requirements described within the IB are applicable to payments received in conjunction with oil and gas lease sales held by BLM Utah, including the upcoming May 19, 2015, competitive oil and gas lease sale. **Effective immediately, there is a prohibition on the use of multiple credit card payments for a single obligation due to the Federal Government. Also effective immediately, BLM Utah will accept electronic funds (wire) transfer payments and payments through BLM’s Automated Clearing House. Effective June 1, 2015, no individual credit card payment transaction may exceed \$24,999.99.**

To reduce the fees that the Federal Government incurs for credit card processing, the Department of the Treasury is limiting the dollar value allowed for credit card collections. **Effective June 1, 2015, an individual credit card payment transaction may not exceed \$24,999.99.** This limit has been lowered from the previous payment transaction limit of \$49,999.99. Any credit card transaction greater than \$24,999.99 will be rejected, regardless of whether the credit card transaction represents a single payment or a bundled payment – i.e., the payment of more than one bill, debt, or other obligation due to the Federal Government. **This requirement does not go into effect until June 1, 2015. For the May 19, 2015, sale, BLM Utah will accept an individual credit card payment transaction of up to \$49,999.99 for payment of minimum monies due the day of the sale. The due date for payment of balance bonus bids is June 3, 2015. BLM Utah will not accept an individual credit card payment transaction over \$24,999.99 for payment of the balance bonus bids after close of business on Friday, May 29, 2015.**

Effective immediately, customers who owe an amount on a bill, debt, or other obligation due to the Federal Government are prohibited from splitting the total amount due into multiple credit card payments. An amount owed that exceeds the maximum dollar amount for a credit card payment transaction may not be split into two or more payment transactions in the

same day by using one or multiple credit cards. Additionally, an amount owed that exceeds the maximum dollar amount for a credit card payment transaction may not be split into two or more transactions over multiple days by using one or more credit cards.

The section titled “Forms of payment” will read as follows:

Forms of payment: You may pay by personal check, certified check, money order, Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), Automated Clearing House (ACH) or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover Card only). We cannot accept cash. If you pay by check, please make your check payable to: **Department of the Interior-BLM**. If a check you have sent to us in the past has been returned for insufficient funds, we may ask that you give us a guaranteed payment, such as a certified check. If you plan to make your payment using a credit card, you should contact your bank prior to the sale and let them know you will be making a substantial charge against your account. The BLM does not have Personal Identification Number (PIN) equipment for the purpose of processing PIN authorized debit cards. All debit card transactions will be processed as credit cards and the dollar value limits will apply. ***Please note: BLM does not accept credit or debit card payments for an amount equal to or greater than \$49,999.99 (\$24,999.99, effective June 1, 2015). We also will not accept aggregated smaller amounts to bypass this requirement.*** If you pay by credit card and the transaction is refused, we will try to notify you early enough so that you can make other payment arrangements. ***However, we cannot grant you any extension of time to pay the money that is due the day of the sale.***

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Attachment:

1. IB OC-2015-019