



September 9, 2015

Mr. John Ruhs
State Director
United States Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States
20 M Street SE, Suite 950
Washington, DC 20003

Subject: **Flat Rock EOI #6**

Dear Mr. Ruhs,

Flat Rock Development, LLC (“Flat Rock”) is an oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in southeastern Ohio. Flat Rock seeks to lease certain properties in the Wayne National Forest from the United States Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”).

Our current plans for the properties that we have identified is that we would not drill wells on the surface of the properties, but rather would seek to include the properties in oil and gas units that we would form with adjoining properties for which the surface rights are privately owned.

Therefore, we respectfully request to submit this informal Express of Interest (“EOI”) with a No Surface Occupancy (“NSO”) stipulation. With this EOI submission we request that the lands listed on Exhibit A (the “EOI Properties”) attached hereto be considered for inclusion in a competitive oil and gas lease sale. For each of the EOI Properties, we have attached the following information:

- Exhibit A – Parcel description
- Exhibit B – Warranty deed
- Exhibit C – 24K and 100K scale map of parcel(s)
- Exhibit D – Wayne National Forest map of parcel(s)
- Exhibit E – Wayne National Forest title & encumbrances records
- Exhibit F – Shape files

With respect to each of the EOI Properties, it is our understanding that the surface rights for such properties are vested with the federal government.

To assist BLM in its efforts to conduct a title review of the EOI Properties, Flat Rock is currently performing property title search activities with respect to the EOI Properties, including searching the appropriate county courthouses to search for the following:

- a. recorded instruments that may impact BLM's rights to lease the EOI Properties from the date of the warranty deed vesting the property with BLM to the current date; and
- b. recorded instruments that may impact third party rights to the oil and gas minerals, if any.

We plan to share such title search information and documentation with BLM upon the conclusion of our research. We appreciate BLM's expedient review of this EOI and welcome any feedback or identification of deficiencies in our submission. We look forward to supporting BLM's efforts to bring the enclosed parcels to a competitive oil and gas lease sale.

Should you have any questions, I may be reached at sshah@flatrock.com or (304) 554-2012.

Sincerely,



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Flat Rock Development LLC

EXHIBIT A – PARCEL DESCRIPTION

Parcel 6-1

Admin State:	Eastern States
Meridian:	Ohio River Survey
Surface Management Agency:	Wayne National Forest
Township No:	3N
Range No:	6W
Section No:	13
Total Acreage:	97.42

Legal Description: That legal description shown below, which is found in the warranty deed recorded in Volume 272, beginning at Page 198, in the public records of Washington County.

TOWNSHIP THREE NORTH, RANGE SIX WEST, OHIO RIVER SURVEY

SECTION THIRTEEN:

All of the South half of the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter containing 20.17 acres, except 6.64 acres described as follows:

Commencing at a stone marking the Northeast corner of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$; Thence along the Forty line S 4° W, 10.04 chains to the point of beginning; Thence along the North line of the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of said Forty N 86° W, 20.06 chains to the quarter section line; Thence S 60° 30' E, 13.09 chains; Thence N 73° E, 8.84 chains to the East line of said Forty; Thence along said East line N 4° E, 2.43 chains to the point of beginning, leaving 13.53 acres, more or less being conveyed.

All that part of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter described as follows:

Beginning at a stone marking the South quarter section corner of said section; Thence along the quarter line N 4° E, 20.44 chains to the Northeast corner of said forty; Thence along the North line of said Forty N 86° W, 7.07 chains to a stone; Thence S 15° 05' E, 21.63 chains to the point of beginning, Containing 7.23 acres, more or less.

All of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, Containing 40.33 acres, more or less.

All of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter containing 40.33 acres, more or less, except 4.00 acres described as follows; Commencing at a stone marking the Northeast corner of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$; Thence along the North-South Forty line S 4° W, 20.08 chains to the East-West Forty line; Thence S 84° E, 15.87 chains to the point of beginning; Thence S 4° W, 10.00 chains; Thence S 86° E, 4.00 chains

to the east section line; Thence along said line N 4° E, 10.00 chains to the East-West Forty line; Thence along said line N 86° W, 4.00 chains to the place of beginning, Leaving 36.33 acres, more or less being conveyed.

Parcel 6-2

Admin State: Eastern States
Meridian: Ohio River Survey
Surface Management Agency: Wayne National Forest
Township No: 2N
Range No: 6W
Section No: 17
Total Acreage: 17.30

Legal Description: That legal description shown below, which is found in the warranty deed recorded in Volume 348, beginning at Page 697, in the public records of Washington County.

Being a parcel of land in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 17, Township 2 North, Range 6 West of the Ohio River Survey in the County of Washington, State of Ohio and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the quarter corner common to Sections 17 and 18 marked by an intersected fence line, thence N. 87° 15' W. along an old fence line 20.00 chains to a point; thence S 2° 45' W. 0.80 chains to center of creek; thence southeasterly along center meanderings of said creek as follows: S 79° 30' E. 0.82 chains; S 57° 15' E 5.05 chains; S 44° 15' E 3.76 chains; S 20° 15' E 2.49 chains; S 36° 30' E 2.00 chains; S 25° 45' E 4.00 chains; S 75° 00' E 5.60 chains; and N 54° 15' E 3.12 chains to a point where creek crosses the east line of said quarter-quarter section; thence N 2° 45' E along the east line of said quarter-quarter section marked by a fence line 12.605 chains to the place of beginning and containing 17.30 acres of land, more or less.

Parcel 6-3

Admin State: Eastern States
Meridian: Ohio River Survey
Surface Management Agency: Wayne National Forest
Township No: 2N
Range No: 6W
Section No: 18
Total Acreage: 40.225

Legal Description: That legal description shown below, which is found in the warranty deed recorded in Volume 348, beginning at Page 697, in the public records of Washington County.

Also the SE¼ of SW¼ of Section 18, Township 2 North, Range 6 West of the Ohio River Survey, in the County of Washington, State of Ohio, containing 40 acres, more or less; and

6 rods square in the SW¼ of the SW¼ of said Section 18, containing .225 acres, more or less

Parcel 6-4

Admin State: Eastern States
Meridian: Ohio River Survey
Surface Management Agency: Wayne National Forest
Township No: 2N
Range No: 6W
Section No: 17
Total Acreage: 39.73

Legal Description: That legal description shown below, which is found in the warranty deed recorded in Volume 410, beginning at Page 882, in the public records of Washington County.

TOWNSHIP TWO NORTH, RANGE SIX WEST, OHIO RIVER SURVEY

SECTION SEVENTEEN: The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, containing 39.73 acres, more or less,

Parcel 6-5

Admin State: Eastern States
Meridian: Ohio River Survey
Surface Management Agency: Wayne National Forest
Township No: 2N
Range No: 6W
Section No: 18
Total Acreage: 78.05

Legal Description: That legal description shown below, which is found in the warranty deed recorded in Volume 410, beginning at Page 882, in the public records of Washington County.

TOWNSHIP TWO NORTH, RANGE SIX WEST, OHIO RIVER SURVEY

SECTION SEVENTEEN: The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, containing 39.73 acres, more or less,

SECTION EIGHTEEN: The South Half of the Southeast Quarter, containing 78.05 acres, more or less.

Parcel 6-6

Admin State:	Eastern States
Meridian:	Ohio River Survey
Surface Management Agency:	Wayne National Forest
Township No:	2N
Range No:	6W
Section No:	17
Total Acreage:	8.25

Legal Description: That legal description shown below, which is found in the warranty deed recorded in Volume 448, beginning at Page 163, in the public records of Washington County.

TOWNSHIP TWO NORTH, RANGE SIX WEST, OHIO RIVER SURVEY

SECTION SEVENTEEN:

Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter containing 39.73 acres EXCEPT a 31.48-acre parcel beginning at the northeast corner NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ at a stone; thence N. 89° 45' W. 20.00 chains along a fence on the section line; thence S. 04° 45' W. 8.86 chains along the quarter quarter line to the center of Jackson Run; thence along the middle of Jackson Run S. 73° 30' E. 3.90 chains; thence S. 88° 30' E. 2.91 chains; thence leaving Jackson Run and along the middle of a small unnamed run S. 23° 45' E. 2.26 chains; thence S. 01° 00' W. 3.09 chains; thence S. 10° 00' E. 2.47 chains; thence S. 05° 00' E. 2.60 chains to the quarter quarter lines thence S. 89° 45' E. 10.96 chains along the quarter quarter line; thence N. 04° 45' E. 19.89 chains along a fence on the section line to the point of beginning,

leaving to be conveyed 8.25 acres, more or less.

Parcel 6-7

Admin State:	Eastern States
Meridian:	Ohio River Survey
Surface Management Agency:	Wayne National Forest
Township No:	2N
Range No:	6W
Section No:	17
Total Acreage:	39.71

Legal Description: That legal description shown below, which is found in the warranty deed recorded in Volume 514, beginning at Page 21, in the public records of Washington County.

TOWNSHIP TWO NORTH, RANGE SIX WEST, SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN:

SECTION SEVENTEEN: *(Independence Twp?)*

The Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter containing 39.72 acres, more or less.