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Dear Reader:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Lewistown Field Office has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze the potential effects from offering three nominated lease parcels for competitive oil and gas leasing in a sale tentatively scheduled to occur on October 22, 2013.

The EA with an unsigned Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is available for a 30-day public comment period. Written comments must be postmarked by June 19, 2013, to be considered. Comments may be submitted using one of the following methods:

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Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – will be available for public review. If you wish to withhold personal identifying information from public review or disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you must clearly state, in the first line of your written comment, “CONFIDENTIALITY REQUESTED.” While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. All submissions from organizations, from businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives of organizations or businesses, will be available for public review.

Upon review and consideration of public comments, the EA will be updated as needed. Based on our analysis, parcels recommended for leasing in our assessment would be included as part of a competitive oil and gas lease sale tentatively scheduled to occur on October 22, 2013.

Prior to issuance of any leases, the Decision Record and FONSI will be finalized and posted for public review on our BLM website. Please refer to the Montana/Dakotas BLM website at <http://blm.gov/f4kd>. Once there, scroll down to the 2013’s October 22 lease sale section to review information and analysis.

If you have any questions, or would like more information about the updated EA or upcoming oil and gas lease sale, please contact Chris Rye at 406-538-1906 or Adam Carr at 406-538-1913.