

an appeal. However, parties receiving service by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal. Appeals must be filed in the Bureau of Land Management at the address identified above, where the requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained. Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

Chris Sitbon,

*Land Law Examiner, ANCSA Team, Branch of 962 Adjudication.*

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[MT-921-07-1320-01-P; MTM 86091]

### Notice of Invitation—Coal Exploration License Application MTM 86091

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office

Members of the public are hereby invited to participate with Western Energy Company in a program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America in the following-described lands located in Rosebud County, Montana:

T. 1 N., R. 40 E., P.M.M.,  
Sec. 6: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
671.00 acres.

Any party electing to participate in this exploration program shall notify, in writing, both the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800; and Western Energy Company, c/o Western SynCoal Company, P.O. Box 7137, Billings, Montana 59103-7137. Such written notice must refer to serial number MTM 86091, and be received no later than 30 days after publication of this Notice in the Federal Register or 10 calendar days after the last publication of this Notice in the Billings Gazette, whichever is later. This Notice will be published once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in the Billings Gazette.

The Proposed exploration program is fully described, and will be conducted pursuant to an exploration plan to be approved by the Bureau of Land Management. The exploration plan, as submitted by Western Energy Company, is 2 available for public inspection at the Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, Granite Tower Building, 222 North 32nd Street, Billings, Montana, during regular business hours (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

Dated: December 2, 1996.

Randy D. Heuscher,

*Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[MT-921-07-1320-01; MTM 80697]

#### Notice of hearing

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Hearing.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 14, 1997, in the conference room on the Sixth Floor of the Granite Tower Building, Bureau of Land Management, 222 North 32nd Street, Billings, Montana 59107.

Western Energy Company has requested the Bureau of Land Management to reschedule a coal lease sale for Coal Lease Application MTM 80697. The Bureau of Land Management requests additional public comments on the fair market value and maximum economic recovery of certain coal resources it proposes to reoffer for a competitive lease sale. A Decision Record was signed on May 16, 1995, which allows for coal leasing.

The land included in Coal Lease Application MTM 80697 is located in Rosebud County, Montana, and is described as follows:

T. 1 N., R. 39 W., P.M.M.,  
Sec. 2: S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
T. 1 N., R. 40 E., P.M.M.,  
Sec. 6: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
Sec. 8: E $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
Sec. 14: S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
T. 2 N., R. 40 E., P.M.M.,  
Sec. 32: All.  
2,061.00 acres.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ed Hughes (telephone 406-255-2830), Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, 222 North 32nd Street, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800.

Dated: December 2, 1996.

Randy D. Heuscher,

*Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.*

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[AK-910-0777-51]

### Notice of Alaska Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

SUMMARY: The Alaska Resource Advisory Council will conduct an open meeting Tuesday, January 21, 1997 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, January 22, 1997 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss mining issues on the Fortymile Wild and Scenic River. The meeting will be held at the BLM Northern District Office, 1150 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska. Public comments regarding mining issues in the Fortymile will be taken from 3-4 p.m. Tuesday, January 21. Written comments may be submitted at the meeting.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries about the meeting should be sent to External Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, 222 W. 7th Ave., #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Teresa McPherson or Janet Malone at (907) 271-5555.

Dated: December 1, 1996.

Tom Allen,

*State Director.*

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[MT-920-05-131000P; MTM 83298]

### Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease MTM 83298, Fallon County, Montana, was timely filed and accompanied by the required rental accruing from the date of termination.

No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10 per acre and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$  percent respectively. Payment of a \$500 administration fee has been made.

Having met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as contained in Section 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease, effective as of the date of termination, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease, the increased rental and royalty rates cited above, and reimbursement for cost of publication of this Notice.