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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-921-02-1320-EL-P; NDM 91535]

Notice of Coal Lease Application—NDM 91535—The Coteau Properties Company

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice of The Coteau Properties Company's Coal Lease Application NDM 91535 for certain coal resources within the Fort Union Coal Region.

The land included in Coal Lease Application NDM 91535 is located in Mercer County, North Dakota, and is described as follows:

T. 144 N., R. 88 W., 5th P. M.

Sec. 2: Lots 3 and 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 4: Lots 1 and 2, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 6: All;

Sec. 8: N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

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Sec. 4: Lots 1 to 4, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 10: N $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 14: All;

Sec. 22: All;

Sec. 26: N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 28: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 34: N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

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Sec. 12: E $\frac{1}{2}$.

The 5,571.34-acre tract contains an estimated 88 million tons of recoverable coal reserves.

The application will be processed in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 181, *et seq.*), and the implementing regulations at 43 CFR part 3400. A decision to allow leasing of the coal reserves in said tract will result in a competitive lease sale to be held at a time and place to be announced through publication pursuant to 43 CFR part 3422.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coteau Properties Company is the lessee and operator of Federal Coal Leases NDM 81582, NDM 85515, and NDM 85517, at the Freedom Mine. The entire area included within this lease

application lies west of the present Freedom Mine permit area.

The area applied for would be mined as an extension of the Freedom Mine and would utilize the same methods as those currently being used. The lease being applied for can extend the life of the mine by about 5 and one-half years and enable recovery of coal that might never be mined if not mined as a logical extension of current pits.

Notice of Availability: The application is available for review between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101, and at the Bureau of Land Management, Dakotas District Office, whose address is 2033 Third Avenue West, Dickinson, North Dakota, 58601-2619, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rebecca Good, Coal Coordinator, at telephone 406-896-5080, Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, 5001 Southgate Drive, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800.

Dated: February 6, 2002.

Randy D. Heuscher,

Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ID-075-1330-EO]

Smokey Canyon Mine, Idaho; Availability of Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for the Smoky Canyon Mine, Panels B and C. The Smoky Canyon Mine, located in southeast Idaho, is currently operated by the J.R. Simplot Company (Simplot) on Federal phosphate leases administered by BLM within the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Caribou-Targhee National Forest. The SEIS was prepared by BLM, acting as the lead agency, with USFS as a joint lead agency.

ADDRESSES: Limited numbers of the SEIS are available at the Bureau of Land Management, Pocatello Field Office,

1111 N. 8th Avenue, Pocatello, Idaho 83201, telephone (208) 478-6354.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Comments or questions may be directed to Jeff Cundick, SEIS Project Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Pocatello Field Office, 1111 N. 8th Avenue, Pocatello, Idaho 83201. He may be reached by telephone at (208) 478-6354, or by e-mail at Jeff_Cundick@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SEIS supplements the original Smoky Canyon Phosphate Mine Environmental Impact Statement, prepared in 1982. The SEIS analyzes the direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts associated with a proposal by Simplot to develop and reclaim open pits, haul roads, overburden disposal areas, and related facilities that would be utilized during operation of the B and C Panels at the Smoky Canyon phosphate mine. In particular, it addresses mitigation and monitoring related to potential mobilization of selenium contained in overburden produced by these operations.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action include a No Action Alternative, as well as alternative methods of handling overburden to reduce impacts caused by the proposed mining activities. The Agency Preferred Alternative is the Proposed Action with mitigation measures. The Final SEIS also responds to comments received on the Draft SEIS, which was distributed for public review in July 2001. BLM intends to issue a Record of Decision regarding the proposed mine developments no sooner than 30 days after publication of a Notice of Availability of the SEIS in the **Federal Register** by the Environmental Protection Agency. USFS will provide BLM with recommendations for those portions of the project that are located in the Caribou-Targhee National Forest.

Dated: March 28, 2002.

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Acting Pocatello Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-010-1990-EX]

Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement; South Operations Area Project Amendment, Eureka Co., NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement;