

**ADDRESSES:** The ROD/Approved Plan Amendments document is available now electronically on the following Web site: <http://ostseis.anl.gov>. Copies of the ROD/Approved Plan Amendments will be available after April 1, 2013, upon request from the BLM Office locations listed below. Copies of the ROD will be available after April 1, 2013, for public inspection at the same BLM Office locations:

Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, CO 80215.  
Northwest District Office, 2815 H Road, Grand Junction, CO 81506.  
White River Field Office, 220 East Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641.  
Colorado River Valley Field Office, 2300 River Frontage Road, Silt, CO 81652.  
Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, UT 84101.  
Green River District Office, 170 South 500 East, Vernal, UT 84078.  
Price Field Office, 125 South 600 West, Price, UT 84501.  
Color Country District Office, 176 East D.L. Sargent Drive, Cedar City, UT 84721.  
Richfield Field Office, 150 East 900 North, Richfield, UT 84701.  
Canyon Country District Office, 82 East Dogwood, Moab, UT 84532.  
Monticello Field Office, 365 North Main, Monticello, UT 84535.  
Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, WY 82009.  
High Desert District Office, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, WY 82901.  
Kemmerer Field Office, 312 Highway 189 North, Kemmerer, WY 83101.  
Rawlins Field Office, 1300 North Third, Rawlins, WY 82301.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sherri Thompson, BLM Project Manager, at 303-239-3758, ([sthompso@blm.gov](mailto:sthompso@blm.gov)), Bureau of Land Management, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, CO 80215 or Mitchell Leverette, BLM Division Chief, Solid Minerals, at 202-912-7113, ([mleveret@blm.gov](mailto:mleveret@blm.gov)), Bureau of Land Management, 20 M Street SE., Washington, DC 20003. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individuals during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individuals. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The decision in the ROD selects a modified version of Alternative 2(b), the proposed

plan in the Final Oil Shale and Tar Sands Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), as the Approved Land Use Plan Amendments, which would amend 10 land use plans in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming to make approximately 679,000 acres of lands containing oil shale resources open for application for future leasing and development and approximately 132,000 acres open for application for future leasing and development of tar sands.

The Environmental Protection Agency published a Notice of Availability for the Final Programmatic EIS in the **Federal Register** on November 9, 2012 (77 FR 67362), initiating the BLM's 30-day protest period on the Proposed Plan Amendments for oil shale and tar sands allocation. The protest period closed on December 10, 2012. Eighteen protests were received; protests came from local governments, the State of Utah, industry, industry interest groups, environmental groups, and an individual. The BLM has resolved all valid protest issues.

The BLM has made minor modifications and editorial clarifications to the Approved Plan Amendments. These modifications provided further clarification of some of the decisions.

**Authority:** 40 CFR 1506.6.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

**[LLUT9223-13-L13200000-EL0000, UTU-89454]**

### Notice of Invitation to Participate; Coal Exploration License Application UTU-89454, UT

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended by the Federal Coal Leasing Amendments Act of 1976, and to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) regulations, all interested qualified parties are hereby invited to participate with Ark Land Company on a pro rata cost sharing basis in its program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America in Sevier County, Utah.

**DATES:** The notice of invitation to participate in this coal exploration license was published, once each week for 2 consecutive weeks in the *Richfield Reaper* (beginning the last week of December 2012), and by virtue of this announcement in the **Federal Register**. Any person seeking to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to the BLM and Ark Land Company, as provided in the **ADDRESSES** section below, no later than May 1, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the exploration plan are available for review from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays, (serialized under the number of UTU-89454) in the public room of the BLM Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, UT 84101.

The written notice to participate in the exploration program should be sent to the following addresses: Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, Division of Lands and Minerals, Attn: Stan Perkes, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, UT 84101 and Ark Land Company, c/o Sufco Mine, Attn: Mark Bunnell, 597 South SR 24, Salina, UT 84654.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stan Perkes, Mining Engineer, at 801-539-4036 or by email: [sperkes@blm.gov](mailto:sperkes@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the exploration program is to gain additional geologic knowledge of the coal underlying the exploration area for the purpose of assessing the coal resources. The exploration program is fully described and is being conducted pursuant to an exploration license and plan approved by the BLM. The exploration plan may be modified to accommodate the legitimate exploration needs of persons seeking to participate. The area to be explored includes the following-described lands in Sevier County, Utah:

#### Salt Lake Meridian, Utah

T. 21 S., R. 4 E., SLM, Utah  
Sec. 14, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
Sec. 15, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
Containing 520.00 acres.

The Federal coal within the above-described lands is currently not leased

for development of Federal coal resources.

**Authority:** 43 CFR 3410.2-1(c)(1).

**Jenna Whitlock,**

*Associate State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[LLUT9223-13-L13200000-EL000, UTU-89492]

#### Notice of Invitation to Participate In Coal Exploration License Application UTU-89492, UT

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** All interested-qualified parties are hereby invited to participate with Wasatch Natural Resources on a pro rata cost sharing basis in its program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America in Carbon County, Utah.

**DATES:** The notice of invitation to participate in this coal exploration license was published once each week for two consecutive weeks, in the *Sun Advocate* (beginning the last week of January 2013), and by virtue of this announcement in the **Federal Register**. Any person seeking to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to both the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Wasatch Natural Resources, as provided in the **ADDRESSES** section below until no later than May 1, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the exploration license and plan are available for review from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays (serialized under the number of UTU-89492) in the public room of the BLM Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101-1345.

The written notice to participate in the exploration program should be sent to Roger Bankert, Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, Division of Lands and Minerals, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101-1345 and to Gregory Hunt, Wasatch Natural Resources, 299 South Main Street, Suite 1300, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stan Perkes by telephone 801-539-4036, or by email: [sperkes@blm.gov](mailto:sperkes@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal

Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question for the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The exploration activities will be performed pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, 30 U.S.C. 201(b), and to the regulations at 43 CFR Part 3410. The purpose of the exploration program is to gain additional geologic knowledge of the coal underlying the exploration area for the purpose of assessing the coal resources. The exploration program is fully described and is being conducted pursuant to an exploration license and plan approved by the BLM. The exploration plan may be modified to accommodate the legitimate exploration needs of persons seeking to participate. The area to be explored includes the following-described lands in Carbon County, Utah:

#### Salt Lake Meridian, Utah

T. 13 S., R. 7 E.,

Sec. 2, lots 1 through 7 inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 3, lots 1, 2, 5 through 8 inclusive, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 10, all;

Sec. 11, all;

Sec. 14, all;

Sec. 15, all.

Containing 3,507.84 acres.

The Federal coal within the above-described lands is currently not leased for development of Federal coal resources.

**Authority:** 43 CFR 3410.2-1(c)(1).

**Jenna Whitlock,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Competitive Coal Lease Sale COC-74813, CO

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Competitive Coal Lease Sale.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that certain Federal coal reserves (Red Wash Tracts 1 and 2) in Moffat and Rio Blanco Counties, Colorado, will be offered for competitive lease by sealed bid in

accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended.

**DATES:** The lease sale will be held at 10 a.m. on May 29, 2013. The sealed bid must be submitted on or before 9:30 a.m. on May 29, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** The lease sale will be held in the Fourth Floor Conference Room of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Cashier, BLM Colorado State Office, at the address given above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kurt Barton, Land Law Examiner, at 303-239-3714, or [kbarton@blm.gov](mailto:kbarton@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This coal lease sale is being held in response to a lease by application (LBA) filed by Blue Mountain Energy, Inc. The Federal coal reserves to be offered consist of all reserves recoverable by underground mining methods in the following described lands located in Moffat and Rio Blanco counties, Colorado:

#### Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 3 N., R. 101 W.,

Sec. 17, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 18, lots 3 and 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,

S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 19, lot 1, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,

N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 20, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 21, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 22, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{2}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 23, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 26, N $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 27, E $\frac{1}{2}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 34, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 35, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Containing 3,154.76 acres more or less.

The tracts contain an estimated 21.3 million tons of recoverable coal reserves. The underground minable coal is ranked as C bituminous coal. The estimated coal quality on an as-received basis for the tracts is as follows: