Land Company, Attn: Mike Lincoln, P.O. Box 460, Hanna, WY 82327, and the Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office, Branch of Solid Minerals, Attn: Mavis Love, P.O. Box 1828, Chevenne, WY 82003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All of the coal in the above-described land consists of unleased Federal coal within the Powder River Basin Known Coal Leasing Area. The purpose of the exploration program is to gain additional knowledge of the coal underlying the exploration area for the purpose of assessing the reserves contained in a potential lease.

This notice of invitation will be published in The News-Record of Gillette, WY, once each week for two consecutive weeks beginning the week of August 28, 2006, and in the **Federal Register**.

The foregoing is published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to 43 CFR 3410.2–1(c)(1).

Dated: August 14, 2006.

Alan Rabinoff,

Deputy State Director, Minerals and Lands. [FR Doc. E6–15717 Filed 9–25–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–22–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice To Extend Public Comment Period for Reopened Public Scoping Process for the Proposed Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice to Extend Public Comment Period for Reopened Public Scoping Process for the Proposed Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project.

SUMMARY: Public comment period is being extended on the Proposed Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project. The comment period is being extended due to extensive public comment and a high level of public interest.

DATES: The public comment period is being extended to October 17, 2006. Submissions should be in writing or by Fax (*see* **ADDRESSES** below).

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted in writing to: Penny Woods, Bureau of Land Management, Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Boulevard, P.O. Box 12000, Reno, Nevada 89520–0006 or by Fax to: 775–861–6466.

Comments submitted during this EIS process, including names and street addresses of respondents will be available for public review at the Nevada State Office during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name and address from public review or disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information or to have your name added to/removed from the EIS mailing list, contact Penny Woods at the Nevada State Office (*see ADDRESSES* above), telephone 775–861–6466.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Notice to Reopen the Public Scoping Process for the Proposed Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project was originally published in the Federal Register on July 19, 2006 (71 FR 138). Information concerning the reopening of scoping can also be found on the Nevada BLM Web site at http://www.nv.blm.gov.

Amy Lueders,

Associate State Director. [FR Doc. E6–15725 Filed 9–25–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–HC–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Notice of Public Hearings on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed 5-Year Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Leasing Program for 2007–2012

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the regulations implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321, et seq.), the Minerals Management Service (MMS) will hold Public Hearings to solicit comments on the Draft EIS for the Proposed 2007–2012 OCS Oil and Gas 5-Year Leasing Program, as announced in the Federal Register notifying the availability of the Draft EIS on August 25, 2006.

Statements, both oral and written, will be received at the venues listed below. Persons wishing to speak may be put on the speakers' list by the MMS contacts in advance of the specific public hearing or may sign up at the hearing. Time limits may be set on oral testimony to allow time for all speakers to participate.

The following Public Hearings are planned for the DEIS.

Dates Locations for Public Hearings:

September 25, 2006—Unalaska City Council Chambers, Unalaska, Alaska, 6:30 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209. September 26, 2006—Cold Bay Community Center, Cold Bay, Alaska, 7 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209.

September 27, 2006—Allan Nelson Community Building, Nelson Lagoon, Alaska, 4:30 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209.

September 28, 2006—Centerpoint Building, 1st Floor Conference Room, 3801 Centerpoint Drive, Anchorage, Alaska, 5 p.m., contact: Mr. Fred King, (907) 334– 5271.

September 28, 2006—Sand Point City Council Chambers, Sand Point, Alaska, 7 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334– 5209.

October 9, 2006—City of Goodnews Bay Council Chambers, Goodnews Bay, Alaska, 5 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209.

October 10, 2006—Bristol Bay Borough Building, Naknek, Alaska, 6:30 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209.

October 11, 2006—Dillingham City Council Chambers, Dillingham, Alaska, 6:30 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209.

October 30, 2006—Marriott Houston Intercontinental at George Bush Intercontinental Airport, 18700 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Houston, Texas, 1 p.m., contact: Mr. Dennis Chew, (504) 736–2793.

October 31, 2006—Hampton Inn and Suites New Orleans-Elmwood, 5150 Mounes Street, Harahan, Louisiana, 1 p.m., contact: Mr. Dennis Chew, (504) 736–2793.

November 1, 2006—Riverview Plaza Hotel, 64 South Water Street, Mobile, Alabama, 1 p.m., contact: Mr. Dennis Chew, (504) 736– 2793.

November 8, 2006—Nuiqsut Community Center, Nuiqsut, Alaska, 7 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209.

November 10, 2006—Kaktovik Community Center, Kaktovik, Alaska, 7 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209.

November 13, 2006—Robert James Community Center, Wainwright, Alaska, 7 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334– 5209.

November 14, 2006—Norfolk, Virginia (exact venue will be announced in a subsequent **Federal Register** Notice, please also check our Web site at http://www.mms.gov/5-year/), contact: Dr. Norman Froomer, (703) 787–1644.

November 14, 2006—Point Lay Community Center, Point Lay, Alaska, 7 p.m., contact: Mr. Albert Barros, (907) 334–5209.

November 15, 2006—Marriott Bay Point Resort, 4000 Marriott Drive, Panama City