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TO: STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD MEMBERS

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DATE: MAY 14, 2014

NOMINATION AND TRACT COMMITTEE AGENDA

A meeting of the Nomination and Tract Committee of the State Mineral and Energy Board will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2014, immediately following the Lease Review Committee Meeting, in the LaBelle Room, First Floor, of the LaSalle Building, located at 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

I. PRESENT LEASE SALE

- A. Previous approval by the Board was granted to the staff to process and advertise 47 tracts in the official journal of the state and in the official journal of the parish where the lands are located for the May 14, 2014 mineral lease sale. For the May 8, 2013 Mineral Lease Sale, this office received 35 nominations for advertisement.
- B. Withdraw Tracts 43884, 43885, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, and Tracts 43914 through 43919, and Tracts 43922 through 43925, all in Red River Parish, Louisiana.
- C. A request by BHP Billiton Petroleum to withdraw Tracts 43884, 43885, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, and Tracts 43914 through 43919, and Tracts 43922 through 43925, and re-advertise said tracts for public bid, all in Red River Parish, Louisiana.
- D. Letters of Protest from Williams Land Company, LLC, received April 15, 2014, pertaining to the Tracts 43854, 43855, 43856, 43860 and 43861, in Iberia, Assumption and St Martin Parishes, Louisiana.

II. FUTURE LEASE SALE

- A. 39 nominations received at the Office of Mineral Resources for the July 9, 2014, lease sale are pending approval by the Board for advertising. For the July 10, 2013 Mineral Lease Sale, this office received 82 nominations for advertisement.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Energy XXI is requesting that the Mineral and Energy Board authorize staff to negotiate for an Exclusive Geophysical Agreement (EGA) Type 3, and to take the acreage out of commerce that is affected by said EGA until July 9, 2014, or until a nomination is submitted for the EGA, whichever occurs first.
- B. A request by Castex Energy to reduce the non-exclusive seismic fee.

The Committee may discuss other matters as it desires pursuant to R.S. 42.7(A)(1)(b)(ii), as well as, Executive Session matters pursuant to R.S. 42.6.1(A)(2) and R.S. 42.6.1(A)(6). The agenda shall include consideration of letters of protest.

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