

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management****[AK-910-1310-PP-ARAC]****Notice of Call for Nominations, Elected Official for the BLM Alaska Resource Advisory Council (RAC)****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to solicit nominations for the vacant elected official seat on the Bureau of Land Management's Alaska Resource Advisory Council. The council provides advice and recommendations to BLM on management of public lands in Alaska.

**DATES:** Submit a completed nomination form to the address listed below no later than March 23, 2006. Nomination forms are available at [http://www.blm.gov/rac/ak/ak\\_index.htm](http://www.blm.gov/rac/ak/ak_index.htm), click on "Alaska" or contact the BLM Alaska RAC coordinator listed below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Danielle Allen, BLM Alaska RAC Coordinator, Office of Communications (912), Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, AK 99513; telephone 907-271-3335.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) (43 U.S.C. 1730) directs the Secretary of the Interior to involve the public in planning and issues related to management of lands administered by BLM. Section 309 of FLPMA directs the Secretary to select 10 to 15 member citizen-based advisory councils that are consistent with the requirements of Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. Appendix 1). Members serve without monetary compensation, but will be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for Government employees. As required by the FACA, RAC membership must be balanced and representative of the various interests concerned with the management of the public lands. BLM regulations governing RACs are found at 43 CFR Subpart 1784. Section 309 (a) of FLPMA, which states that at least one member of the advisory council must be an elected official of general purpose government serving the people within the jurisdiction of the council. The vacant seat on the Alaska Resource Advisory Council falls in category three as described in the regulations at 43 CFR 1784.6-1 (c) (3). Individuals may nominate themselves or others to serve on the RAC. Nominees must be

residents of Alaska. The BLM will evaluate nominees based on their education, training, and experience and their knowledge of the geographical area of the RAC. Nominees should demonstrate a commitment to collaborative resource decision-making.

The following must accompany all nominations:

- Letters of reference from represented interests or organizations,
- A completed background information nomination form,
- Any other information that speaks to the nominee's qualifications.

Nomination forms are available from Danielle Allen, BLM Alaska RAC Coordinator, Office of Communications (912), Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, AK 99513; telephone 907-271-3335. Completed applications should be sent to the same address. Internet users may download the form from: [http://www.blm.gov/rac/ak/ak\\_index.htm](http://www.blm.gov/rac/ak/ak_index.htm).

**Authority:** 43 CFR 1784.4-1.

Dated: December 27, 2005.

**Henri R. Bisson,**  
State Director.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management****[WO-260-09-1060-00-24 1A]****Call for Nomination To Fill the Position of Public Interest for the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board Call for a Nomination to fill the position of Public Interest.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to solicit public nominations for the position representing the Public Interest (previously listed as Public at Large) on the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board. The Board provides advice concerning management, protection, and control of wild free-roaming horses and burros on the public lands administered by the Department of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, and the Department of Agriculture, through the Forest Service.

**DATES:** Nominations should be submitted to the address listed below no later than March 31, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** National Wild Horse and Burro Program, Bureau of Land

Management, Department of the Interior, P.O. Box 12000, Reno, Nevada 89520-0006, Attn: Ramona Delorme; FAX 775-861-6618.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jeff Rawson, Group Manager, Wild Horse and Burro Group, (202) 452-0379. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may contact Mr. Rawson at any time by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Nominations will be for the remainder of the vacated term representing the Public Interest category. The term of this position will be from the date of appointment until the expiration date of July 8, 2008.

Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons to serve on the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board. Individuals may also nominate themselves for Board membership. All nomination letters/or resumes should include the nominees: (1) Name, address, phone, and e-mail address if applicable; (2) present occupation; (3) explanation of qualifications to represent the public interest (4) nominating organization, individual or by self; and (5) list of endorsements by qualified individuals and/or letters of endorsement.

As appropriate, certain Board members may be appointed as Special Government Employees. Special Government Employees serve on the board without compensation, and are subject to financial disclosure requirements in the Ethics in Government Act and 5 CFR 2634. Nominations are to be sent to the address listed under **ADDRESSES**, above.

Each nominee will be considered for selection according to their ability to represent their designated constituency, analyze and interpret data and information, evaluate programs, identify problems, work collaboratively in seeking solutions and formulate and recommend corrective actions. Pursuant to Section 7 of the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act, members of the Board cannot be employed by either Federal or State Government. Members will serve without salary, but will be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for Government employees. The Board will meet no less than two times annually. The Director, Bureau of Land Management may call additional meetings in connection with special needs for advice.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

**Ed Shepard,**

*Assistant Director, Renewable Resources and Planning.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-5420-M103]

#### Notice of Application for Recordable Disclaimer of Interest, Louisiana

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** New Way Investments, Inc. has submitted an application for a recordable disclaimer of interest pursuant to section 315 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1745), and the regulations contained in 43 CFR Part 1864. A recordable disclaimer, if issued, will confirm that the United States has no valid interest in the subject lands. This notice is intended to inform the public of the pending application.

**DATES:** A final decision on the merit of the application will not be made until 90 days after the date of publication of this notice. During the 90-day period, interested parties may submit comments on New Way Investments, Inc.'s application, with a reference to serial No. LAES 53473.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to: Theresa R. Coleman, Deputy State Director, Division of Land Resources, Bureau of Land Management-Eastern States, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ida V. Doup, Chief, Branch of Lands and Realty, Bureau of Land Management-Eastern States, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153; 703-440-1541.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On April 5, 2005, New Way Investments, Inc. filed an application for disclaimer of interest for the lands described as follows:

Louisiana Meridian, Louisiana beginning at the Southwest corner of Section 47, T. 4 N., R. 3 W., Rapides Parish, Louisiana common with the Southeast corner of Section 36, T. 4 N., R. 4 W., Rapides Parish, Louisiana, for the point of beginning and thence proceed along the South line of Section 47, T. 4 N., R. 3 W., Rapides Parish, Louisiana, as recognized by Jerry Boswell on plat of survey dated September 30, 1992, South 89 degrees 11 minutes 54 seconds East a distance of 2,206.27 feet to a point and corner; thence

proceed South 00 degrees 19 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 23.90 feet to a point on the North line of Section 6, T. 3 N., R. 3 W., as recognized by Jerry Boswell on plat of survey dated September 30, 1992, thence proceed along the North line of Section 6, T. 3 N., R. 3 W., as recognized by Jerry Boswell on plat of survey dated September 30, 1992, North 89 degrees 23 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 2,206.31 feet to a point and corner, thence proceed North 00 degrees 28 minutes 51 seconds East a distance of 31.33 feet back to the point of beginning of the 1.40 acres tract shown on the Certificate of Survey by Jessie P. Lachney dated February 3, 2005.

Bureau of Land Management-Eastern States' review of the official survey records on file indicates that the line between Townships 3 and 4 North is a line common to both section 6 and section 47. There is no indication of a gap or hiatus. As lands for section 47, Township 4 North, Range 3 West and section 6, Township 3 North, Range 3 West have been patented into private ownership, it is the opinion of this office that the Federal government no longer has an interest in this 1.40-acre parcel. The proposed recordable disclaimer of interest, if issued, will state the United States does not have a valid interest in this land.

All persons who wish to present comments, suggestions, or objections, in connection with the pending application and proposed disclaimer may do so by writing to Theresa R. Coleman, Deputy State Director, Division of Land Resources, at the above address.

**Michael D. Nedd,**

*State Director, Eastern States.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[CO-921-06-5104-EL; COC 67514]

#### Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment and Public Hearing for Coal Lease Application COC 67514. Colorado

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of the Twenty Mile Coal Company Coal Lease By Application COC 67514 Environmental Assessment and Federal Coal Notice of Public Hearing, and Request for Environmental Assessment, Maximum Economic Recovery Report, and Fair Market Value Comments.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 3425.4, the

Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Colorado State Office, Lakewood, Colorado, hereby gives notice that an Environmental Assessment (EA) is available and a public hearing will be held to lease Federal coal. The EA analyzes and discloses direct, indirect, and cumulative environmental impacts of issuing a Federal coal lease competitively for 200.36 acres in Routt County, Colorado. The purpose of the public hearing is to solicit comments from the public on (1) The proposal to issue a Federal coal lease; (2) the proposed competitive lease sale; (3) the Fair Market Value (FMV) of the Federal coal; and (4) Maximum Economic Recovery (MER) of the Federal coal included in the Federal tract.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received no later than April 13, 2006. The public hearing will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, March 30, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Little Snake Field Office Manager, Little Snake Field Office, 455 Emerson Street, Craig, Colorado 81625 where copies of the EA are available for inspection or copies provided upon request. The public hearing will be held in the Routt County Commissioners Hearing Room, located in the Annex Building behind the Routt County Courthouse, at 136-6th St., Suite 206, Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Field Office Manager, Little Snake Field Office at the address above, or by telephone at 970-826-5000.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On February 14, 2004 Twenty Mile Coal Company applied for a Federal coal lease. The Federal tract was assigned case number COC 67514. The following lands are contained in the LBA:

T. 5 N., R. 86 W., 6th P.M.  
sec. 5, lot 4, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Containing approximately 200.36 acres in Routt County, Colorado.

The EA analyzes environmental impacts that could result from leasing Federal coal and several alternatives. The alternatives considered are the no action alternative, and the proposed alternative to lease the coal. In accordance with Federal coal management regulations 43 CFR 3422 and 3425, not less than 30 days prior to the publication of a notice of sale, the Secretary shall solicit public comments on FMV appraisal and MER. BLM hereby gives notice that a public hearing will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2006, at 7 p.m., at the Routt County Commissioners Hearing Room at the address given above. The coal resource