SPECIAL NOTICE

On Wednesday, October 20, 2004 the Office of Mineral Resources on behalf of the State Mineral Board advertised in Notice of Publication for receipt of sealed bids on or before 12:00 o'clock noon on Tuesday, December 7, 2004, for State Leases to be awarded upon Tract Nos. 36930 through 37001, inclusive at its December 8, 2004 Lease Sale. Within said advertisement was an incorrect description for Tract No. 36993, Ouachita Parish. By virtue of this public notice, Tract No. 36993 in Ouachita Parish, Louisiana is hereby corrected as follows:

TRACT 36993 - Ouachita Parish, Louisiana

The mineral rights only on and under all lands now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of all water bodies of every nature and description, and under all other lands owned by and not presently under mineral lease as of December 8, 2004 from the State of Louisiana situated in Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, and being more fully described as follows: The Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW/4 of SE/4) of Section 7, Township 15 North, Range 3 East, Ouachita Parish; Louisiana Patent No. 18839, dated May 19, 1958 to Henson S. Coon, containing approximately 39.63 acres, all as more particularly outlined on a plat on file in the Office of Mineral Resources, Department of Natural Resources. All bearings, distances and coordinates are based on Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927, (North or South Zone), where applicable.

NOTE: The above description of the Tract nominated for lease has been provided and corrected, where required, exclusively by the nomination party. Any mineral lease selected from this Tract and awarded by the Louisiana State Mineral Board shall be without warranty of any kind, either express, implied, or statutory, including, but not limited to, the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. Should the mineral lease awarded by the Louisiana State Mineral Board be subsequently modified, cancelled or abrogated due to existence of conflicting leases, operating agreements, private claims or other future obligations or conditions which may affect all or any portion of the leased Tract, it shall not relieve the Lessee of the obligation to pay any bonus due thereon to the Louisiana State Mineral Board, nor shall the Louisiana State Mineral Board be obligated to refund any consideration paid by the Lessor prior to such modification, cancellation, abrogation, including, but not limited to, bonuses, rentals and royalties.