SPECIAL NOTICE

On Wednesday, September 15, 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, November 9 2004, for State Leases to be awarded upon Tract Nos. 36855 through 36928, inclusive at its November 10, 2004 Lease Sale. Within said incorrect description for Tract advertisement was an No. 36928, Plaquemines Parish. By virtue of this public notice, Tract No. 36928 in Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana is hereby corrected as follows:

TRACT 36928 - Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

All State owned lands and water bottoms located within the boundaries of the Pass-A-Loutre Wildlife Management Area as defined by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries incorporating a title opinion from the Office of the Governor dated August 3, 1998, not presently under mineral lease by the State of Louisiana on November 10, 2004, all as set forth following: Beginning at the most Southerly Southwest corner of State Lease No. 17566 having Coordinates of X = 2,708,144.02 and Y = 166,608.00; thence along the boundary of State Lease No. 17566 the following courses: East 4,781.89 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 2,712,925.91 and Y = 166,608.00, North 464.89 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 2,712,925.91 and Y= 167,072.89, East 162.81 to a point having Coordinates of 2,713,088.72 and Y = 167,072.89, and North 1,171.31 feet to the most Westerly Southwest corner of State Lease No. 17071, having Coordinates X = 2,713,088.72 and Y = 168,244.20; thence East 1,177.19 feet along the Southerly boundary of State Lease No. 17071 to the Northwest corner of State Lease No. 17325, having Coordinates X = 2,714,265.91 and Y =168,244.20; thence South 1,171.31 feet along the Westerly boundary of State Lease No. 17325 to its Southwest corner having Coordinates of X =2,714,265.91 and Y = 167,072.89; thence East 1,300.00 feet along the Southerly boundary of State lease No. 17325 to its Southeast corner, also being a point on the Westerly boundary of State Lease No. 17214 having Coordinates X = 2,715,565.91 and Y = 167,072.89; thence South 1,570.43 feet along the Westerly boundary of State Lease No. 17214 to its Southwest corner, also being the most Northerly Northwest corner of State Lease No. 17324, having Coordinates of X = 2,715,565.91 and Y = 165,502.46; thence along the boundary of State Lease No. 17324 the following courses: South 1,069.57 feet to a point having Coordinates X = 2,715,565.91 and Y =164,432.89, West 555.91 feet to a point having Coordinates 2,715,010.00 and Y = 164,432.89, and South 3,321.72 feet to its Southwest corner having Coordinates X = 2,715,010.00 and Y = 161,111.17; thence West 6,865.98 feet to a point having Coordinates X = 2,708,144.02 and Y =161,111.17; thence North 5,496.83 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 954.00 acres, LESS AND EXCEPT any privately owned land that may be located within the above described Tract, if any, comprising approximately acres, leaving a total of net acres of State owned land and water bottoms within the above described Tract, 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, (South Zone).

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 purpose. Should the mineral lease awarded by the Louisiana State Mineral Board be subsequently modified, cancelled or abrogated due 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 prior such modification, cancellation, paid by the Lessor to abrogation, including, but not limited to, bonuses, rentals and royalties.

NOTE: The Office of Mineral Resources will require a minimum bonus of \$350 per acre and a minimum royalty of 25%.

NOTE: The mineral lease is located within the Pass A Loutre WMA under the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries which has promulgated rules and regulations for the protection of game and wildlife on the aforesaid Tract and, therefore, shall be subject to said rules and regulations, a copy of which shall be attached to the mineral lease. In addition to the specific rules and regulations applicable, the following shall apply regarding operations under this mineral lease:

- 1. No activities will be allowed without written authorization from the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.
- 2. Projects will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Modifications to projects may be required including, but not limited to, access routes, spoil placement, well sites, flow lines and other appurtenant structures.
- 3. Mitigation will be required to offset avoidable wetland impacts.
- 4. Removal of all structures, facilities and equipment will be required within 120 days of abandonment unless otherwise agreed to by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.
- 5. No activities will be allowed during the hunting season unless approved by the Department.
- 6. Compliance with the said WMA regulations will be required unless otherwise specified by the Department.
- 7. Prior to submitting applications for wetland permits to Federal and State permitting agencies the lease holder shall coordinate project

details with the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Fur and Refuge Division. Contact person for the Department will be Mike Windham at (504) 568-5886.

NOTE: The State of Louisiana does hereby reserve, and this lease shall be subject to, the imprescriptible right of surface use in the nature of a servitude in favor of the Department of Natural Resources, including its Commissions, and for the sole purpose of implementing, constructing, servicing and maintaining approved coastal zone management and/or restoration projects. Utilization of any and all rights derived under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with nor hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

NOTE: The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has designated certain areas in the coastal waters of the State of Louisiana as Oyster Seed Bed Areas. The exact location of those Seed Bed Areas must be obtained from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and any work done under a mineral lease from the State of Louisiana may necessarily be conducted in conformity with the rules and regulations promulgated by the said Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for Oyster Seed Bed Areas.

Applicant: A.S. Ruffin, Jr.

Bidder	Cash	Price/	Rental	Oil	Gas	Other
	Payment	Acre				