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Subject: Appeal of Decision Concerning Correction of Information in the June 11, 2009 Report to Secretary Ken Salazar Regarding the Potential Leasing of 77 Parcels in Utah

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This letter is in response to your December 10, 2009, appeal on behalf of Questar Exploration and Production Company ("Questar") for correction of information under the Information Quality Act (IQA). The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) brought together a team of experts in the Information Quality to consider this appeal. The team consisted of members from National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior (DOI), Office of the Chief Information Officer, and BLM Program personnel. The BLM also conferred with the DOI's Solicitors Office. The Solicitors Office has notified the BLM that Questar is a party to the litigation against the DOI on the withdrawal of 77 oil and gas lease parcels in Utah.

If you wish to pursue the request for correction, once the on-going litigation is resolved, please contact Paulette L. Sanford at <u>Paulette_Sanford@blm.gov</u>.

Sincerely, Mike Pool