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Finding of No New Significant Impact (FONNSI)

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Environmental Assessment No.: DOI-BLM-WY-030-2009-0155-EA

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Based on the analysis of potential environmental impacts contained in the attached Environmental Assessment (DOI-BLM-WY-030-2009-0155-EA) (EA); dated January, 2010), I have determined that the Proposed Action will contribute to significant impacts previously described in the Atlantic Rim Natural Gas Development Record of Decision (ARROD). No new significant impacts were disclosed during completion of the environmental analysis for this EA, therefore, an environmental impact statement is not required. The Proposed Action, which incorporates the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) required Standard Operating Procedures and Best Management Practices, would not create any additional significant effects (above and beyond what was already disclosed in the ARROD), which would have sufficient context and intensity, as defined in section 7.3 of the BLM National Environmental Policy Act Handbook (Manual H-1790-1, page 70), to be considered significant.

The considerations listed in 40 CFR 1508.27(b) (1-10) were used to evaluate the intensity of the effects described in the EA:

1. There would be no new significant effects as a result of approving the proposed action. The proposed action would result in both beneficial and adverse impacts.
2. The public's health and safety would not be adversely affected. There would be no new adverse social or economic effects beyond those provided for in the ARROD.
3. Neither the Rawlins Resource Management Plan review nor interdisciplinary review found any new unique characteristics in the geographic area or ecologically critical areas which would be adversely affected.

4. The proposal is within the scope and scale of controversy provided for in the ARROD.
5. The effects of constructing, operating and maintaining the actions proposed, as described in the EA, are well known. There would not be a high uncertainty of the effects, nor any new unique or unknown risks.
6. This proposal does not set a precedent for future actions with significant effects and does not represent a decision in principle about a future consideration.
7. This proposal would contribute to the significant effects disclosed in the Atlantic Rim EIS and decided in the ARROD.
8. The proposal will not adversely affect districts, sites, highways, structures or objects listed in the National Register of Historic Places beyond that disclosed in the ARROD.
9. There would be no new effects to habitat for threatened or endangered species beyond those disclosed in the ARROD. Construction timing restrictions, design features and additional mitigation measures would minimize or prevent adverse effects to other wildlife species and their habitat.
10. Approving either the Proposed Action or the Alternative would not violate any Federal, State, or local laws or regulations imposed for the protection of the environment.

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Date