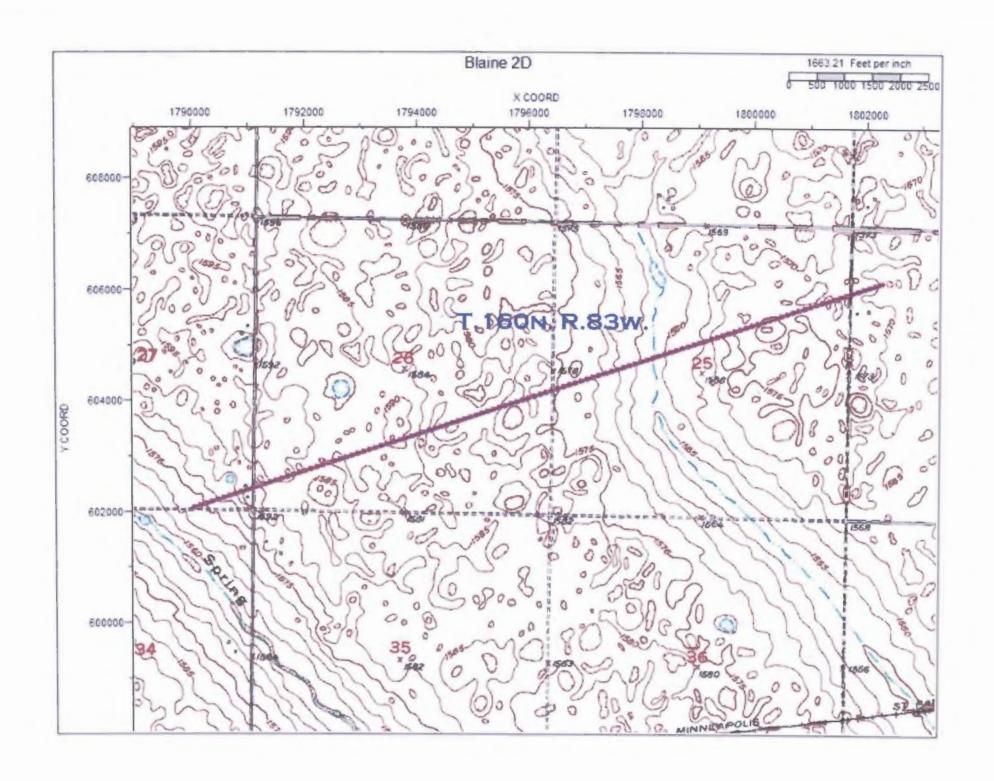


GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION PERMIT

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF NORTH DAKOTA OIL AND GAS DIVISION 600 EAST BOULEVARD DEPT 405 BISMARCK, ND 58505-0840 SFN 51459 (02-2008)

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Contact			Telephone				Fax			
Trevor Krauss			281 484-6800)			432 699-4221			
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2) a. Subcontractor(s)			Address	Address			Telephone			
b. Subcontractor(s)		Address	Address			Telephone				
c. Subcontractor(s)		Address	Address			Telephone				
3) Party Manager			Address (local)	Address (local)			Telephone (local)			
Juan Trevino							281 636-2689			
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March 11, 2010

The Honorable Mae Steich Bottineau County Auditor 314 West 5th Bottineau, ND 58318-1204

> RE: Geophysical Exploration Permit # 97-0188

Dear Ms. Steich:

Pursuant to Section 38-08.1-04.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, please be advised that Geokinetics USA Inc. was issued the above captioned permit on March 11, 2010 and will remain in effect for a period of one year. The entire permit can be viewed on our website at: https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/seismic/seismicstats.asp

Should you have any questions, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Todd L. Holweger Mineral Resources Permit Manager



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March 11, 2010

Mr. Trevor Krauss Geokinetics USA, Inc 1500 CityWest Blvd. Suite 800 Houston, TX 77042

RE:

Blaine 2-D

Geophysical Exploration Permit #97-0188

Bottineau County

Dear Mr. Krauss:

Please be advised that we are in receipt of your Geophysical Exploration permit and it is conditionally approved; effective for one year from March 11, 2010 Review the following conditions for your permit:

- 1. A pre-program meeting with state seismic inspector Tom Torstenson may be required. You must contact him at 701-290-1546 (cell) or 701-227-7436 at least 24 hours prior to any exploration operations.
- 2. All variances for distance restrictions are to be furnished, and a pre-plot map displaying any source points that do not comply with the distance restriction rule must be supplied to the inspector.
- 3. The following information must be submitted within 30 days of the completion of the project by the Geophysical Company:
 - a. Completion Report,
 - b. Completion Affidavit,
 - c. Post Plot Map. It must show all water wells, buildings, underground cisterns, pipelines, and flowing springs that fall within the program area and within one half mile of the perimeter of the program.
 - d. SD card with all source and receiver points,
 - e. Letter stating that the Geophysical Company has given all surface owner's a copy of the Section and Chapter of the NDCC as stated in paragraph 5.
- 4. The following information must be submitted within 30 days of the completion of the project by the SUBCONTRACTOR(s) (when applicable):
 - a. Plugging Report
 - b. Plugging Affidavit

- 5. It is required that within seven days of initial contact between the permitting agent and the operator of the land, the permitting agent shall provide the operator of the land and each landowner owning land within one-half mile of the land on which geophysical exploration activities are to be conducted a written copy of NDCC Section 38-08.1-04.1 (Exploration Permit) and NDCC Chapter 38-11.1 (Oil and Gas Production Damage Compensation). The permitting agent shall file an affidavit with this office confirming compliance with such notification. For your convenience, a copy of both Sections are enclosed.
- 6. The permit agent shall notify the operator of the land at least seven days before commencement of any geophysical exploration activity, unless waived by mutual agreement of both parties. The notice must include the approximate time schedule and the location of the planned activity.
- 7. Information for the locations of water wells, springs, etc.; refer to the following ND State Water Commission Mapservice website, at: http://mapservice.swc.state.nd.us/
- 8. The entire permit can be viewed, as well as the status of various seismic projects in the state, at: https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/seismic/seismic/seismicstats.asp

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, feel free to contact me at 701-328-8020, or Tom Torstenson at the number listed in paragraph 1.

Sincerely,

Todd L. Holweger Mineral Resources Permit Manager

