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Via Fax and U.S. Mail

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Re: Case No. 12,730

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Enclosed is the response of Leonard Resource Investment Corporation to the motion to dismiss filed by Coates Energy Trust.

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Very truly yours,

James Bruce

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cc: J.E. Gallegos (via fax and U.S. Mail)