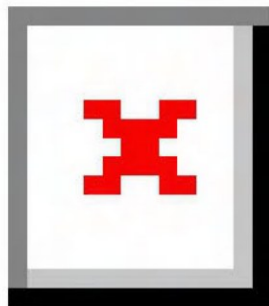


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"As Governor of a top production state, Secretary Doug Burgum has long been a champion for American energy leadership. We look forward to working with him to implement a pro-American energy approach to federal leasing, starting with removing barriers to development on federal lands and waters and developing a new five-year offshore program."

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