

e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Management Review of Public Housing Projects.

*OMB Control Number:* 2577-Pending.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* On September 19, 2005 (70 FR 54983), HUD published a final rule amending the regulations of the Public Housing Operating Fund Program at 24 CFR part 990, which was developed through negotiated rulemaking. Part 990 provides a new formula for distributing operating subsidy to public housing agencies (PHAs) and establishes requirements for PHAs to convert to asset management.

Subpart H of the part 990 regulations (§§ 990.255 to 990.290) establishes the requirements regarding asset management. Under § 990.260(a), PHAs that own and operate 250 or more dwelling rental units must operate using an asset management model consistent with the subpart H regulations.

However, for the current fiscal year, that regulation is superseded by Section 225 of Title II of Division K of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008, Pub. L. 110-161 (approved December 26, 2007). Under that law, PHAs that own or operate 400 or fewer units may elect to transition to asset management, but they are not required to do so.

To support the transition to asset management and align HUD oversight with asset management, a new management review format is required to review PHAs on a project level, rather than PHA-wide. The forms are modeled after the asset management model consistent with the management norms in the broader multifamily industry.

*Agency form numbers:* Forms HUD-5834, HUD-5834-A, and HUD-5834-B.  
*Members of affected public:* Public housing agencies.

*Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents:* For form HUD-5834, Management Review of Public Housing Projects, there are 3,282 respondents annually with one response per respondent. Average time per response is .95 hours and the total burden hours are 3,118 hours. For form HUD-5834-A, Tenant File Review, there are 821 respondents annually with one response per respondent. Average time per response is .50 hours and the total burden hours are 410.50 hours. For form HUD-5834-B, Upfront Income Verification Review, there are 821 respondents annually with one response per respondent. Average time per

response is .50 hours and the total burden hours are 410.50 hours.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* New collection.

**Authority:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: June 26, 2008.

**Bessy Kong,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

[Docket No. MMS-2008-MRM-0009]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of an extension of a currently approved information collection (OMB Control Number 1010-0073).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR part 220. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements. The previous title of this ICR was "30 CFR Part 220—Accounting Procedures for Determining Net Profit Share Payment for Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leases, § 220.010 NPSL capital account, § 220.030 Maintenance of records, § 220.031 Reporting and payment requirements, § 220.032 Inventories, and § 220.033 Audits." The new title of this ICR is "30 CFR Part 220, OCS Net Profit Share Payment Reporting." There are no forms associated with this information collection.

**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before *August 8, 2008*.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments by either FAX (202) 395-6566 or e-mail (*OIRA\_Docket@omb.eop.gov*) directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (OMB Control Number 1010-0073).

Please submit copies of your comments to MMS by the following methods:

- Electronically go to *http://www.regulations.gov*. In the "Comment or Submission" column, enter "MMS-2008-MRM-0008" to view supporting and related materials for this ICR. Click on "Send a comment or submission" link to submit public comments. Information on using Regulations.gov, including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site's "User Tips" link. All comments submitted will be posted to the docket.

- Mail comments to Armand Southall, Regulatory Specialist, Minerals Management Service, Minerals Revenue Management, P.O. Box 25165, MS 302B2, Denver, Colorado 80225. Please reference ICR 1010-0073 in your comments.

- Hand-carry comments or use an overnight courier service. Our courier address is Building 85, Room A-614, Denver Federal Center, West 6th Ave. and Kipling Blvd., Denver, Colorado 80225. Please reference ICR 1010-0073 in your comments.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Armand Southall, telephone (303) 231-3221, or e-mail

*armand.southall@mms.gov*. You may also contact Mr. Southall to obtain copies, at no cost, of (1) the ICR and (2) the regulations that require the subject collection of information.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* 30 CFR Part 220, OCS Net Profit Share Payment Reporting.

*OMB Control Number:* 1010-0073.

*Bureau Form Number:* None.

*Abstract:* The Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior is responsible for matters relevant to mineral resource development on Federal lands and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). The Secretary is responsible for managing the production of minerals from Federal lands and the OCS, collecting royalties and other mineral revenues from lessees who produce minerals, and distributing the funds collected in accordance with applicable laws. The MMS performs the mineral revenue management functions for the Secretary.

The MMS collects and uses this information to determine all allowable direct and allocable joint costs incurred during the lease term, appropriate overhead allowance permitted on these costs under § 220.012, and allowances for capital recovery calculated under § 220.020. The MMS also collects this information to ensure royalties or net

profit share payments are accurately valued and appropriately paid. This ICR affects only oil and gas leases on submerged Federal lands on the OCS.

Applicable legal citations pertaining to mineral leases include Public Law 97-451—Jan. 12, 1983 (Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982); Public Law 104-185—Aug. 13, 1996 (Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1996), as corrected by Public Law 104-200—Sept. 22, 1996; the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 1923); and the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1353). These citations can be viewed at [http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws\\_R\\_D/PublicLawsAMR.htm](http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws_R_D/PublicLawsAMR.htm).

Title 30 CFR part 220 covers the net profit share lease (NPSL) program and establishes reporting requirements for determining the net profit share base and calculating net profit share payments due the Federal Government for the production of oil and gas from OCS leases.

**Net Profit Share Leases (NPSL) Bidding System**

To encourage exploration, development, and production of oil and gas lease resources on submerged Federal lands on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), regulations were promulgated at 30 CFR part 260—Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing. Part 260, subpart B establishes the bidding systems that MMS may use to offer and sell Federal leases. Specific implementation regulations for the NPSL bidding system are promulgated at § 260.110(d) of part 260, subpart B. The MMS established the NPSL bidding system to balance a fair market return to the Federal Government for the lease of its public lands with a fair profit to companies risking their investment

capital. The system provides an incentive for early and expeditious exploration and development and provides for sharing the risks by the lessee and the Federal Government. The NPSL bidding system incorporates a fixed capital recovery system as a means through which the lessee recovers costs of exploration and development from production revenues, along with a reasonable return on investment.

**NPSL Capital Account Payment Reporting**

Under § 220.031(b), the lessee report and pay NPSL payment due the Federal Government beginning with the first month in which production revenues are credited to the NPSL capital account not later than 60 days following the end of each month.

The Federal Government does not receive a profit share payment from an NPSL until the lessee shows a credit balance in its capital account; that is, cumulative revenues and other credits exceed cumulative costs. The credit balance is multiplied by the net profit share rate (30 to 50 percent), resulting in the amount of net profit share payment due the Federal Government.

The MMS requires lessees to maintain an NPSL capital account for each lease, which transfers to a new owner when sold. Following the cessation of production, lessees are also required to provide either an annual or a monthly report to the Federal Government, using data from the capital account.

**NPSL Inventories**

The NPSL lessees must notify MMS of their intent to perform an inventory and file a report after each inventory of controllable materiel.

**NPSL Audits**

When non-operators of an NPSL call for an audit, they must notify MMS.

When MMS calls for an audit, the lessee must notify all non-operators on the lease. These requirements are located at § 220.033.

**Summary**

This collection of information is necessary in order to determine when net profit share payments are due and to ensure royalties or net profit share payments are properly valued and appropriately paid.

The MMS will request OMB's approval to continue to collect this information. Not collecting this information would limit the Secretary's ability to discharge his/her duty and may also result in loss of royalty payments. Proprietary information submitted to MMS under this collection is protected, and there are no questions of a sensitive nature included in this information collection.

*Frequency:* Annually, monthly, and on occasion.

*Estimated Number and Description of Respondents:* 6 lessees.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden:* 1,046 hours.

All six lessees report monthly because all current NPSLs are in producing status. Because the requirements for establishment of capital accounts at § 220.010(a) and capital account annual reporting at § 220.031(a) are necessary only during non-producing status of a lease, we included only one response annually for these requirements, in case a new NPSL is established. We have not included in our estimates certain requirements performed in the normal course of business, which are considered usual and customary. The following chart shows the estimated annual burden hours by CFR section and paragraph.

**RESPONDENTS' ESTIMATED ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS**

Citation 30 CFR 220	Reporting & recordkeeping requirement	Hour burden	Number of annual responses	Annual burden hours
<b>Part 220—Accounting Procedures for Determining Net Profit Share Payment for Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leases</b>				
<b>§ 220.010 NPSL capital account</b>				
220.010(a) .....	(a) For each NPSL tract, an NPSL capital account shall be established and maintained by the lessee for NPSL operations * * *.	1	1	1
<b>§ 220.030 Maintenance of records</b>				
220.030(a) and (b) .....	(a) Each lessee * * * shall establish and maintain such records as are necessary * * *.	1	6	6

RESPONDENTS' ESTIMATED ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS—Continued

Citation 30 CFR 220	Reporting & recordkeeping requirement	Hour burden	Number of annual responses	Annual burden hours
<b>§ 220.031 Reporting and payment requirements</b>				
220.031(a) .....	(a) Each lessee subject to this part shall file an annual report during the period from issuance of the NPSL until the first month in which production revenues are credited to the NPSL capital account * * *.	1	1	1
220.031(b) .....	(b) Beginning with the first month in which production revenues are credited to the NPSL capital account, each lessee * * * shall file a report for each NPSL, not later than 60 days following the end of each month * * *.	13	72 <sup>1</sup>	936
220.031(c) .....	(c) Each lessee subject to this Part 220 shall submit, together with the report required * * * any net profit share payment due * * *.	Burden hours covered under § 220.031(b).		
220.031(d) .....	(d) Each lessee * * * shall file a report not later than 90 days after each inventory is taken * * *.	8	6	48
220.031(e) .....	(e) Each lessee * * * shall file a final report, not later than 60 days following the cessation of production * * *.	4	6	24
<b>§ 220.032 Inventories</b>				
220.032(b) .....	(b) At reasonable intervals, but at least once every three years, inventories of controllable materiel shall be taken by the lessee. Written notice of intention to take inventory shall be given by the lessee at least 30 days before any inventory is to be taken so that the Director may be represented at the taking of inventory * * *.	1	6	6
<b>§ 220.033 Audits</b>				
220.033(b)(1) .....	(b)(1) When nonoperators of an NPSL lease call an audit in accordance with the terms of their operating agreement, the Director shall be notified of the audit call * * *.	2	6	12
220.033(b)(2) .....	(b)(2) If DOI determines to call for an audit, DOI shall notify the lessee of its audit call and set a time and place for the audit * * *. The lessee shall send copies of the notice to the nonoperators on the lease * * *.	2	6	12
220.033(e) .....	(e) Records required to be kept under § 220.030(a) shall be made available for inspection by any authorized agent of DOI * * *.	The Office of Regulatory Affairs determined that the audit process is exempt from the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 because MMS staff asks non-standard questions to resolve exceptions.		
<b>Total Burden</b> .....	.....	.....	110	1,046

<sup>1</sup>(6 NPSL reports × 12 months = 72 reports).

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping “Non-hour” Cost Burden:* We have identified no “non-hour cost” burdens.

*Public Disclosure Statement:* The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

*Comments:* Before submitting an ICR to OMB, PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) requires each agency “\* \* \* to provide notice \* \* \* and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information \* \* \*.”

Agencies must specifically solicit comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

To comply with the public consultation process, we published a notice in the **Federal Register** on

October 2, 2007 (72 FR 56090), announcing that we would submit this ICR to OMB for approval. The notice provided the required 60-day comment period. We received no comments in response to the notice.

If you wish to comment in response to this notice, you may send your comments to the offices listed under the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. The OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days. Therefore, to ensure maximum consideration, OMB should receive public comments by August 8, 2008.

*Public Comment Policy:* We will post all comments in response to this notice

at [http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws\\_R\\_D/InfoColl/InfoColCom.htm](http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws_R_D/InfoColl/InfoColCom.htm). We will also make copies of the comments available for public review, including names and addresses of respondents, during regular business hours at our offices in Lakewood, Colorado. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

*MMS Information Collection Clearance Officer:* Arlene Bajusz, (202) 208-7744.

Dated: May 6, 2008.

**Shirley M. Conway,**

*Acting Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

[Docket ID: MMS-2008-OMM-0032]

#### **MMS Information Collection Activity: 1010-0164 (Damage Caused by Hurricanes), Extension of a Collection; Submitted for Office of Management and Budget Review; Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of an extension of an information collection (1010-0164).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), MMS is inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval. The information collection request concerns the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR 250, Subpart I, Platforms and Structures, Notice to Lessees and Operators—Damage Caused by Hurricane(s). This request covers damage due to any hurricane(s) that may occur in the Gulf of Mexico over the next 3 years.

**DATE:** Submit written comments by September 8, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and

Standards Branch at (703) 787-1607.

You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulation and the Notice to Lessees and Operators that requires the subject collection of information.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by either of the following methods listed below.

- Electronically: go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Under the tab More Search Options, click Advanced Docket Search, then select Minerals Management Service from the agency drop-down menu, then click submit. In the Docket ID column, select MMS-2008-OMM-0032 to submit public comments and to view supporting and related materials available for this rulemaking. Information on using *Regulations.gov*, including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site's User Tips link. The MMS will post all comments.

- Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Cheryl Blundon; 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference Information Collection 1010-0164 in your subject line and mark your message for return receipt. Include your name and return address in your message text.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* 30 CFR Part 250, Subpart I, Platforms and Structures, Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL)—Damage Caused by Hurricane(s).

*OMB Control Number:* 1010-0164.

*Abstract:* The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) to prescribe rules and regulations to administer leasing of the OCS. Such rules and regulations will apply to all operations conducted under a lease. Operations on the OCS must preserve, protect, and develop oil and natural gas resources in a manner which is consistent with the need to make such resources available to meet the Nation's energy needs as rapidly as possible; to balance orderly energy resource development with protection of human, marine, and coastal environments; to ensure the public a fair and equitable return on the resources of the OCS; preserve and maintain free enterprise competition; and ensure that the extent of oil and natural gas resources of the OCS is assessed at the earliest practicable time. Section 43 U.S.C. 1332(6) states that

“operations in the outer Continental Shelf should be conducted in a safe manner by well-trained personnel using technology, precautions, and techniques sufficient to prevent or minimize the likelihood of blowouts, loss of well control, fires, spillages, physical obstruction to other users of the waters or subsoil and seabed, or other occurrences which may cause damage to the environment or to property, or endanger life or health.”

To carry out these responsibilities, Minerals Management Service (MMS) issues regulations to ensure that operations in the OCS will meet statutory requirements; provide for safety and protect the environment; and result in diligent exploration, development, and production of OCS leases. In addition, we also issue NTLs that provide clarification, explanation, and interpretation of our regulations. These NTLs are used to convey purely informational material and to cover situations that might not be adequately addressed in our regulations. The latter is the case for the information collection required in the NTL. Because of the unusual nature of this information collection, issuing a temporary NTL is the appropriate means to collect the information.

The subject of this information collection request (ICR) is an NTL titled, *Damage Caused by Hurricane(s)* to be issued to lessees and operators in the MMS Gulf of Mexico OCS (GOM) Region after a hurricane occurs. This ICR deal with damage to facilities due to any hurricane(s) that may occur in the GOM. Once this ICR is approved by OMB, MMS will reissue the NTL for each new future hurricane that impacts operations in the GOM with MMS inserting the appropriate hurricane name, longitudes, and dates of submittal, etc.

Currently, there are over 4,000 facilities/structures in the GOM OCS. The MMS anticipates that potential major hurricanes may impact 40 percent or more of the platforms in the GOM (1,600 facilities) during any one event. For example, in 2005, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita combined affected approximately 2,900 OCS facilities—only 10 facilities were affected by both storms; they each followed different paths and had their own specific meteorological anomalies (deviation or departure from the normal phenomena of the atmosphere). It needs to be stressed that the information we collect under this NTL is information that a prudent lessee/operator would prepare in the event of a major hurricane. The primary authority for this submission is *30 CFR Part 250, Subpart I, Platform and Structures*, information collection