

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
**TRANSFER OF OPERATING RIGHTS (SUBLEASE) IN A
LEASE FOR OIL AND GAS OR GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES**

FORM APPROVED
OMB NO. 1004-0034
Expires: April 30, 2009
Lease Serial No.

Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.)
Act for Acquired Lands of 1947 (30 U.S.C. 351-359)
Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1001-1025)
Department of the Interior Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 1981 (42 U.S.C. 6508)

Type or print plainly in ink and sign in ink.

PART A: TRANSFER

1. Transferee (Sublessee)*
Street
City, State, Zip Code

1a. Transferor

*If more than one transferee, check here and list the name(s) and address(es) of all additional transferees on page 2 of this form or on a separate attached sheet of paper.

This transfer is for: (Check one) Oil and Gas Lease, or Geothermal Lease

Interest conveyed: (Check one or both, as appropriate) Operating Rights (sublease) Overriding Royalty, payment out of production or other similar interests or payments

2. This transfer (sublease) conveys the following interest:

Land Description <small>Additional space on page 2, if needed. Do not submit documents or agreements other than this form; such documents or agreements shall only be referenced herein.</small>	Percent of Interest			Percent of Overriding Royalty Similar Interests	
	Owned	Conveyed	Retained	Reserved	Previously reserved or conveyed
	a	b	c	d	e

FOR BLM USE ONLY - DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

This transfer is approved solely for administrative purposes. Approval does not warrant that either party to this transfer holds legal or equitable title to this lease.

Transfer approved effective _____

By _____ (Title) _____ (Date)

Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

PART B - CERTIFICATION AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

1. The transferor certifies as owner if an interest in the above designated lease that he/she hereby transfers to the above assignee(s) the rights specified above.
2. Transferee certifies as follows: (a) Transferee is a citizen of the United States; an association of such citizens; a municipality; or a corporation organized under the laws of the United States or of any State or territory thereof. For the transfer of NPR-A leases, transferee is a citizen, national, or resident alien of the United States or associations of such citizens, nationals, resident aliens or private, public or municipal corporations, (b) Transferee is not considered a minor under the laws of the State in which the lands covered by this transfer are located; (c) Transferee's chargeable interests, direct and indirect, in each public domain and acquired lands separately in the same State, do not exceed 246,080 acres in oil and gas leases (of which up to 200,000 acres may be in oil and gas options), or 300,000 acres in leases in each leasing District in Alaska of which up to 200,000 acres may be in options, if this is an oil and gas lease issued in accordance with the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, or 51,200 acres in any one State if this is a geothermal lease; (d) All parties holding an interest in the transfer are otherwise in compliance with the regulations (43 CFR Group 3100 or 3200) and the authorizing Acts; (e) Transferee is in compliance with reclamation requirements for all Federal oil and gas lease holdings as required by sec. 17(g) of the Mineral Leasing Act; and (f) Transferee is not in violation of sec. 41 of the Mineral Leasing Act.
3. Transferee's signature to this assignment constitutes acceptance of all applicable terms, conditions, stipulations and restrictions pertaining to the lease described herein. Applicable terms and conditions include, but are not limited to, an obligation to conduct all operations on the leasehold in accordance with the terms and conditions of the lease, to condition all wells for proper abandonment, to restore the leased lands upon completion of any operations as described in the lease, and to furnish and maintain such bond as may be required by the lessor pursuant to regulations 43 CFR 3104, 3134, or 3206.

For geothermal transfers, an overriding royalty may not be less than one-fourth (1/4) of one percent of the value of output, nor greater than 50 percent of the rate of royalty due to the United States when this assignment is added to all previously created overriding royalties (43 CFR 3241).

I certify that the statements made herein by me are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

Executed this _____ day of _____ 20 _____ Executed this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Name of Transferor as shown on current lease _____

(Please type or print)

Transferor _____
or _____
Attorney-in-fact _____
(Signature)

Transferee _____
or _____
Attorney-in-fact _____
(Signature)

(Transferor's Address)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Title 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1001 makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any Department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

PART C - GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Transferor/Transferee(s) must complete Parts A1 and A2 and Part B. All parties to transfer must sign as follows: The transferor(s) must manually sign 3 original copies and the transferee(s) must manually sign at least 1 of the 3 original copies. File three (3) completed copies of this form in the proper BLM office for each transfer of operating rights (sublease). For a transfer of overriding royalty interest, payment out of production or other similar interest or payment, file one (1) manually signed copy of this form. The required filing fee (nonrefundable) must accompany the transfer, payment out of production or other similar interests or payments. File assignment within ninety (90) days after date of execution of assignor.
2. Separate form must be used for each lease being affected by this transfer and for each type of interest conveyed.
3. In Item No. 2 of Part A, describe lands affected (See 43 CFR 3106, 3135 or 3241). For columns b, c, d, and e, enter the interest expressed as a percentage of total interest in the lease; e.g., if transferor transfers one quarter of a 20% interest, enter 20% in column b, 5% in column c, and 15% in column d.
4. If any payments out of production or similar interests, arrangements or payments have previously been created out of the interest being transferred, or if any such payments or interests are reserved under this transfer include a statement giving full details as to amount, method of payment, and other pertinent terms as provided under 43 CFR 3106, 3135, or 3241.
5. The lease account must be in good standing before this transfer can be approved as provided under 43 CFR 3106 and 3241.
6. Transfer, if approved, takes effect on the first day of the month following the date of filing in the proper BLM office. If a bond is necessary it must be furnished prior to approval of the transfer.
7. Overriding royalty and payment out of production or other similar types of transfers must be filed with BLM, but will be accepted for record purposes only. No official approval will be given.
8. Upon approval of a transfer of operating rights (sublease), the sublessee is responsible for all lease obligations under the lease rights transferred to the sublessee.

NOTICES

The Privacy Act of 1974 and the regulation in 43 CFR 2.48(d) provide that you be furnished the following information required by this oil and gas/geothermal lease transfer application.

AUTHORITY: 30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.; 30 U.S.C. 1001-1025; 42 U.S.C. 6508

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: The information is to be used to process transfers of operating rights (subleases) for oil and gas/geothermal resources leases.

ROUTINE USES: (1) The approval of transferee's rights to the land or resources. (2) Documentation for public information in support of notations made on land status, records for the management, disposal, and use of public lands and resources. (3) Transfer to appropriate Federal agencies when concurrence is required prior to granting a right in public lands or resources. (4)(5) Information from the record and/or the record will be transferred to appropriate Federal, State, local or foreign agencies, when relevant to civil, criminal or regulatory investigations or prosecutions.

EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION: If all requested information is not provided, the transfer may not be approved. See regulations at 43 CFR Groups 3100 and 3200.

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires us to inform you that:

BLM collects this information to create and maintain a record of oil and gas/geothermal lease activity.

Response to this request is required to obtain benefit.

BLM would like you to know that you do not have to respond to this or any other Federal agency-sponsored information collection unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

BURDEN HOURS STATEMENT: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 30 minutes per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (1004-0034), Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), 1849 C Street, N.W., Mail Stop 401 LS, Washington, D.C. 20240.