

National Christmas Tree Lighting and the subsequent 28-day event may be submitted in writing. Written comments may be sent to the Manager, President's Park, National Park Service, 1100 Ohio Drive SW., Washington, DC 20242, and will be accepted until November 6, 2014. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: September 26, 2014.

John Stanwich,

National Park Service Liaison to the White House.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

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Notice on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sales

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Interior.

ACTION: List of Restricted Joint Bidders.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management by the joint bidding provisions of 30 CFR 556.41, each entity within one of the following groups is restricted from bidding with any entity in any of the other following groups at Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales to be held during the bidding period November 1, 2014, through April 30, 2015. This List of Restricted Joint Bidders will cover the period November 1, 2014, through April 30, 2015, and replace the prior list published on May 5, 2014, which covered the period May 1, 2014, through October 31, 2014.

Group I

BP America Production Company
BP Exploration & Production Inc.
BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.

Group II

Chevron Corporation
Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
Chevron Midcontinent, L.P.
Unocal Corporation
Union Oil Company of California
Pure Partners, L.P.

Group III

Exxon Mobil Corporation
ExxonMobil Exploration Company
Group IV

Petroleo Brasileiro S.A.
Petrobras America Inc.
Group V
Shell Oil Company
Shell Offshore Inc.
SWEPI LP
Shell Frontier Oil & Gas Inc.
SOI Finance Inc.
Shell Gulf of Mexico Inc.

Group VI

Statoil ASA
Statoil Gulf of Mexico LLC
Statoil USA E&P Inc.
Statoil Gulf Properties Inc.

Group VII

Total E&P USA, Inc.

Dated: October 20, 2014.

Walter D. Cruickshank,

Acting Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Natural Resources Revenue

[Docket No. ONRR-2011-0006; DS63610000 DR2PS0000.CH7000 145D0102R2]

Agency Information Collection Activities: OCS Net Profit Share Payment Reporting—OMB Control Number 1012-0009; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of extension.

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), ONRR is notifying the public that we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR part 1220. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

DATES: OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove this information collection request but may respond after 30 days; therefore, you should submit your public comments to OMB by November 28, 2014 for the assurance of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit your written comments directly to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (OMB Control Number 1012-0009), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, by email to

OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or telefax at (202) 395-5806. Please also mail a copy of your comments to Mr. Luis Aguilar, Regulatory Specialist, ONRR, P.O. Box 25165, MS 61030A, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165, or by email to *Luis.Aguilar@onrr.gov*. Please reference ICR 1012-0009 in your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on technical issues, contact Mr. James Smith, Audit and Compliance Management (ACM), ONRR, telephone (303) 231-3705, or email *james.smith@onrr.gov*. For other questions, contact Luis Aguilar, telephone (303) 231-3418, or email *luis.aguilar@onrr.gov*. You may also contact Mr. Aguilar to obtain copies, at no cost, of (1) the ICR and (2) the regulations that require us to collect the information. To see a copy of the entire ICR submitted to OMB, go to <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/PRAMain> and select "Information Collection Review," then select "Department of the Interior" in the drop-down box under "Currently Under Review."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: OCS Net Profit Share Payment Reporting—30 CFR part 1220.

OMB Control Number: 1012-0009.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Abstract: The Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior is responsible for collecting royalties from lessees who produce minerals from leased Federal and Indian lands and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). Under various laws, the Secretary's responsibility is to manage mineral resources production on Federal and Indian lands and the OCS, collect the royalties and other mineral revenues due, and distribute the funds collected under those laws. ONRR performs the royalty management functions and assists the Secretary in carrying out the Department's responsibility. Public laws pertaining to mineral leases on Federal and Indian lands and the OCS are posted at http://www.onrr.gov/Laws_R_D/PublicLaws.htm.

I. General Information

ONRR collects and uses this information to determine all allowable direct and allocable joint costs and credits under § 1220.011 incurred during the lease term, appropriate overhead allowance permitted on these costs under § 1220.012, and allowances for capital recovery calculated under § 1220.020. ONRR 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.

II. Information Collections

Title 30 CFR part 1220 covers the net profit share lease (NPSL) program and establishes reporting requirements for determining the net profit share base under § 1220.021 and calculating net profit share payments due the Federal Government for the production of oil and gas from leases under § 1220.022.

A. NPSL Bidding System

To encourage exploration and development of oil and gas leases on submerged Federal lands on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, promulgated regulations at 30 CFR part 260—Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing. Also, BOEM promulgated specific implementing regulations for the NPSL bidding system at § 260.110(d). BOEM 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.

B. NPSL Capital Account

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. Lessees multiply the credit balance by the net profit share rate (30 to 50 percent), resulting in the amount of net profit share payment due the Federal Government.

ONRR requires lessees to maintain an NPSL capital account for each lease under § 1220.010, 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 until the lease is terminated, expired, or relinquished.

C. NPSL Inventories

The NPSL lessees must notify the BOEM of their intent to take inventory so the BOEM Director may be represented at the taking of inventory under 1220.032. Each lessee must file a report after each inventory is taken, reporting the controllable material under § 1220.031.

D. NPSL Audits

When non-operators of an NPSL call for an audit, they must notify ONRR. When ONRR calls for an audit, the lessee must notify all non-operators on the lease. These requirements are located at § 1220.033.

III. OMB Approval

The information we collect under this ICR is essential in order to determine when net profit share payments are due

and to ensure lessees properly value and pay royalties or net profit share payments.

We are requesting OMB approval to continue to collect this information. Not collecting this information would limit the Secretary’s ability to discharge fiduciary duties and may also result in the inability to confirm the accurate royalty value. Proprietary information submitted to ONRR under this collection is protected, and no items of a sensitive nature are included in this information collection.

Frequency: Annually, monthly, and on occasion.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: 14 lessees.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping “Hour” Burden: 2,451 hours.

All fourteen lessees report monthly because all current NPSLs are in producing status. Because the requirements for establishment of capital accounts at § 1220.010(a) and capital account annual reporting at § 1220.031(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 table shows the estimated annual burden hours by CFR section and paragraph.

RESPONDENTS’ ESTIMATED ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS

| Citation 30 CFR 1220 | Reporting & recordkeeping requirement | Hour burden | Number of annual responses | Annual burden hours |
|--|--|-------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| PART 1220—Accounting procedures for determining net profit share payment for outer continental shelf oil and gas leases | | | | |
| § 1220.010 NPSL capital account | | | | |
| 1220.010(a) | (a) For each NPSL tract, an NPSL capital account shall be established and maintained by the lessee for NPSL operations . . . | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| § 1220.030 Maintenance of records | | | | |
| 1220.030(a) and (b) | (a) Each lessee . . . shall establish and maintain such records as are necessary . . . | 1 | 14 | 14 |
| § 1220.031 Reporting and payment requirements | | | | |
| 1220.031(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 | 14 | 14 |

RESPONDENTS' ESTIMATED ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS—Continued

| Citation 30 CFR 1220 | Reporting & recordkeeping requirement | Hour burden | Number of annual responses | Annual burden hours |
|-------------------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1220.031(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 | 1168 | 2,184 |
| 1220.031(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 § 1220.031(b). | | |
| 1220.031(d) | (d) Each lessee . . . shall file a report not later than 90 days after each inventory is taken . . . | 8 | 14 | 112 |
| 1220.031(e) | (e) Each lessee . . . shall file a final report, not later than 60 days following the cessation of production . . . | 4 | 14 | 56 |
| § 1220.032 Inventories | | | | |
| 1220.032(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 | 14 | 14 |
| § 1220.033 Audits | | | | |
| 1220.033(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 | 14 | 28 |
| 1220.033(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 | 14 | 28 |
| 1220.033(e) | (e) Records required to be kept under § 1220.030(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. | | |
| Total Burden | | | 267 | 2,451 |

¹(14 NPSL reports × 12 months = 168 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 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** * * * 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 May 20, 2014 (79 FR 28945), 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. 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 November 28, 2014.

Public Comment Policy: We post all comments, including names and addresses of respondents, at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying

information in your comment, be advised 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.

Information Collection Clearance Officer: David Alspach (202) 219-8526.

Dated: October 21, 2014.

Gregory J. Gould,

Director for Office of Natural Resources Revenue.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

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Quarterly Status Report of Water Service, Repayment, and Other Water-Related Contract Actions

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of contractual actions that have been proposed to the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and are new, discontinued, or completed since the last publication of this notice. This notice is one of a variety of means used to inform the public about proposed contractual actions for capital recovery and management of project resources and facilities consistent with section 9(f) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939. Additional announcements of individual contract actions may be published in the **Federal Register** and in newspapers of general circulation in the areas determined by Reclamation to be affected by the proposed action.

ADDRESSES: The identity of the approving officer and other information pertaining to a specific contract proposal may be obtained by calling or writing the appropriate regional office at the address and telephone number given for each region in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle Kelly, Reclamation Law Administration Division, Bureau of Reclamation, P.O. Box 25007, Denver, Colorado 80225-0007; telephone 303-445-2888.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Consistent with section 9(f) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, and the rules and

regulations published in 52 FR 11954, April 13, 1987 (43 CFR 426.22), Reclamation will publish notice of proposed or amendatory contract actions for any contract for the delivery of project water for authorized uses in newspapers of general circulation in the affected area at least 60 days prior to contract execution. Announcements may be in the form of news releases, legal notices, official letters, memorandums, or other forms of written material. Meetings, workshops, and/or hearings may also be used, as appropriate, to provide local publicity. The public participation procedures do not apply to proposed contracts for the sale of surplus or interim irrigation water for a term of 1 year or less. Either of the contracting parties may invite the public to observe contract proceedings. All public participation procedures will be coordinated with those involved in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act. Pursuant to the "Final Revised Public Participation Procedures" for water resource-related contract negotiations, published in 47 FR 7763, February 22, 1982, a tabulation is provided of all proposed contractual actions in each of the five Reclamation regions. When contract negotiations are completed, and prior to execution, each proposed contract form must be approved by the Secretary of the Interior, or pursuant to delegated or redelegated authority, the Commissioner of Reclamation or one of the regional directors. In some instances, congressional review and approval of a report, water rate, or other terms and conditions of the contract may be involved.

Public participation in and receipt of comments on contract proposals will be facilitated by adherence to the following procedures:

1. Only persons authorized to act on behalf of the contracting entities may negotiate the terms and conditions of a specific contract proposal.

2. Advance notice of meetings or hearings will be furnished to those parties that have made a timely written request for such notice to the appropriate regional or project office of Reclamation.

3. Written correspondence regarding proposed contracts may be made available to the general public pursuant to the terms and procedures of the Freedom of Information Act, as amended.

4. Written comments on a proposed contract or contract action must be submitted to the appropriate regional officials at the locations and within the time limits set forth in the advance public notices.

5. All written comments received and testimony presented at any public hearings will be reviewed and summarized by the appropriate regional office for use by the contract approving authority.

6. Copies of specific proposed contracts may be obtained from the appropriate regional director or his or her designated public contact as they become available for review and comment.

7. In the event modifications are made in the form of a proposed contract, the appropriate regional director shall determine whether republication of the notice and/or extension of the comment period is necessary.

Factors considered in making such a determination shall include, but are not limited to, (i) the significance of the modification, and (ii) the degree of public interest which has been expressed over the course of the negotiations. At a minimum, the regional director will furnish revised contracts to all parties who requested the contract in response to the initial public notice.

Definitions of Abbreviations Used in the Reports

ARRA American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
BCP Boulder Canyon Project
Reclamation Bureau of Reclamation
CAP Central Arizona Project
CUP Central Utah Project
CVP Central Valley Project
C-BT Colorado-Big Thompson Project
CRSP Colorado River Storage Project
FR Federal Register
IDD Irrigation and Drainage District
ID Irrigation District
LCWSP Lower Colorado Water Supply Project
M&I Municipal and Industrial
NMISC New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission
O&M Operation and Maintenance
OM&R Operation, maintenance, and replacement
P-SMBP Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program
PPR Present Perfected Right
RRA Reclamation Reform Act of 1982
SOD Safety of Dams
SRPA Small Reclamation Projects Act of 1956
USACE U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
WD Water District

Pacific Northwest Region: Bureau of Reclamation, 1150 North Curtis Road, Suite 100, Boise, Idaho 83706-1234, telephone 208-378-5344.

The Pacific Northwest Region has no updates to report for this quarter.

Mid-Pacific Region: Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825-1898, telephone 916-978-5250.