

State governments, and OCS mineral lessees.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 11 responses.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 1,004 hours.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to retain or obtain a benefit.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

*Total Estimated Annual Non-hour Cost Burden:* \$50 non-hour cost burden.

The current approved annual burden hours are equal to 984 hours and the annual responses are equal to 10. Tie bid requirements would involve more than one respondent, so BOEM plans to increase this by one response and 20 annual burden hours. This information collection request increases burdens to 1,004 and annual responses to 11 due to the potential of tie bids. BOEM assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities. BOEM considers such requirements to be usual and customary and took that into account in estimating the burden.

A **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day public comment period on the proposed ICR was published on March 5, 2024 (89 FR 15890). BOEM received one comment opposing leasing for minerals on the OCS. This comment does not change the purpose of or need for the ICR, nor does it affect the cost or hour burden.

BOEM is again soliciting comments on the proposed ICR. BOEM is especially interested in public comments addressing the following issues: (1) is the collection necessary to the proper functions of BOEM; (2) what can BOEM do to ensure that this information is processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the burden estimate accurate; (4) how might BOEM enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might BOEM minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including minimizing the burden through the use of information technology?

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record and will be available for public review on [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov). BOEM will include or summarize each comment in its ICR to OMB for approval of this information collection. You should be aware that your entire comment—including your address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information included in your comment—may be made publicly available at any time. Even if BOEM withholds your personally identifiable information in the context of this ICR, your comment

is subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552). Your information will only be withheld if a determination is made that one of the FOIA exemptions to disclosure applies. Such a determination will be made in accordance with the Department of the Interior's (DOI) FOIA implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2) and applicable law.

For BOEM to consider withholding from disclosure your personally identifiable information, you must identify, in a cover letter, any information contained in the submittal of your comments that, if released, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of your personal privacy. You must also briefly describe any possible harmful consequences of the disclosure of information, such as embarrassment, injury, or other harm. BOEM will make available for public inspection, in their entirety, all comments submitted by organizations and businesses, or by individuals identifying themselves as representatives of organizations or businesses.

BOEM protects proprietary information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552), DOI's implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2), and 30 CFR part 581.7, promulgated pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (OCS Lands Act) (43 U.S.C. 1352(c)).

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.

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

**Karen Thundiyil,**

*Chief, Office of Regulations, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[OMB Control Number 1010-0072; Docket ID: BOEM-2024-0007]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Commercial Prospecting, Noncommercial Exploration, and Scientific Research for Minerals Other Than Oil, Gas, and Sulfur on the Outer Continental Shelf

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) proposes this information collection request (ICR) to renew Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number 1010-0072.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by BOEM no later than August 23, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments on this ICR by mail to the BOEM Information Collection Clearance Officer, Anna Atkinson, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 45600 Woodland Road, Sterling, Virginia 20166; or by email to [anna.atkinson@boem.gov](mailto:anna.atkinson@boem.gov). Please reference OMB control number 1010-0072 in the subject line of your comments. You may comment on the ICR and view related documents by searching for the docket number "BOEM-2024-0007" at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anna Atkinson by email at [anna.atkinson@boem.gov](mailto:anna.atkinson@boem.gov), or by telephone at 703-787-1025. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside of the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point of contact in the United States.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, BOEM provides the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps BOEM assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand BOEM's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

BOEM is soliciting comments on the proposed ICR described below. BOEM is especially interested in public comments addressing the following issues: (1) is the collection necessary to the proper functions of BOEM; (2) what can BOEM do to ensure that this information is processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the burden estimate accurate; (4) how might BOEM enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might BOEM minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including minimizing the burden through the use of information technology?

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BOEM protects proprietary information in accordance with FOIA, DOI's implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2), and 30 CFR part 580.70, promulgated pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (OCS Lands Act) (43 U.S.C. 1352(c)).

*Title of Collection:* Commercial Prospecting, Noncommercial Exploration, and Scientific Research for Minerals Other Than Oil, Gas, and Sulfur on the Outer Continental Shelf (Applicable, in part, to 30 CFR part 580).

*Abstract:* This ICR covers the information collection requirements in 30 CFR part 580, "Prospecting for Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur<sup>1</sup> on the Outer Continental Shelf [OCS]," which involves

commercial prospecting and scientific research. This request also includes information collection requirements related to authorizations of noncommercial geological and geophysical (G&G) exploration issued pursuant to section 11 of the OCS Lands Act. 43 U.S.C. 1340.

Section 11(a)(1) of the OCS Lands Act states that "any person authorized by the Secretary [of the Interior] may conduct geological and geophysical explorations in the [O]uter Continental Shelf, which do not interfere with or endanger actual operations under any lease maintained or granted pursuant to this subchapter, and which are not unduly harmful to aquatic life in such area." 43 U.S.C. 1340(a)(1). The OCS Lands Act defines the term "exploration" to mean the process of searching for minerals by, among other things, "geophysical surveys where magnetic, gravity, seismic, or other systems are used to detect or imply the presence of such minerals." 43 U.S.C. 1331(k). Section 11(g) authorizes permits or authorizations for geological exploration only if the Secretary determines that the applicant is qualified and the exploration will not interfere with operations on an existing lease, unduly harm aquatic life in the area, result in pollution, create hazardous or unsafe conditions, unreasonably interfere with other uses of the area, nor disturb any site, structure, or object of historical or archaeological significance. 43 U.S.C. 1340(g).

BOEM considers applications for commercial prospecting and noncommercial exploration for marine minerals, as well as scientific research related to marine minerals. Under 30 CFR part 580, G&G prospecting by any person on unleased lands or on lands leased to a third party requires a BOEM permit. A permit also is required to conduct scientific research activities that involve the use of solid or liquid explosives, the drilling of a deep stratigraphic test, or the development of data and information for proprietary use or sale. 30 CFR 580.11(a). Otherwise, G&G activities conducted for scientific or academic purposes require only the submission of a scientific research notice. 30 CFR 580.11(b). G&G activities are also conducted for noncommercial exploration purposes and may include, for example, searching for sand, gravel, and other sources of sediment for potential use in qualifying beach nourishment and coastal restoration projects. See 43 U.S.C. 1337(k). Because 30 CFR part 580 does not apply to noncommercial exploration, such G&G activities would be authorized directly

pursuant to section 11 of the OCS Lands Act.

As a Federal agency, BOEM must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. 300101 *et seq.*), among other laws. Compliance with the Endangered Species Act requires BOEM to carry out any agency action in a manner that is not likely to jeopardize protected species or adversely modify designated critical habitat and to consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service, as applicable, before engaging in a discretionary action that may affect a protected species.

Applicants must submit Form BOEM-0134, "Requirements for Geological and Geophysical Prospecting, Exploration, or Scientific Research on the Outer Continental Shelf Related to Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur," to provide the information necessary to evaluate their requests to conduct G&G activities for commercial prospecting, noncommercial exploration, and certain scientific research activities that do not involve explosives, deep stratigraphic drilling, or proprietary interests in the collected data. BOEM uses the submitted information for several purposes: (1) to ensure there will be neither adverse effects to the marine, coastal, or human environment, personal harm, unsafe operations and conditions, nor unreasonable interferences with other uses; (2) to enhance personal and operational safety; (3) to analyze and evaluate preliminary or planned mining activities; (4) to monitor progress and activities on the OCS; (5) to acquire G&G data and information collected under a Federal permit or authorization; and (6) to determine eligibility for reimbursement from the Government for certain costs.

Upon approval, BOEM issues applicants a permit or an authorization (as currently titled Form BOEM-0135, "Permit for Geophysical Prospecting, Authorization for Noncommercial Geophysical Exploration, or Permit for Scientific Research for Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf," or Form BOEM-0136, "Permit for Geological Prospecting, Authorization for Noncommercial Geological Exploration, or Permit for Scientific Research for Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf").

BOEM may use the information collected during G&G activities to

<sup>1</sup> BOEM acknowledges that the generally and scientifically accepted spelling for this compound is sulfur. Throughout this notice, BOEM uses the spelling consistent with its current regulations.

understand the characteristics of marine mineral-bearing physiographic regions of the OCS. The information aids BOEM in analyzing and weighing the potential for environmental damage, the discovery of marine minerals, and any associated impacts on adjacent coastal States.

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Form Number: BOEM-0134, "Requirements for Geological and Geophysical Prospecting, Exploration, or Scientific Research on the OCS Related to Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur."

The following forms are the permit forms issued by BOEM based on information provided in BOEM-0134:

BOEM-0135, "Permit for Geophysical Prospecting, Authorization for Noncommercial Geophysical Exploration, or Permit for Scientific Research for Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf."

BOEM-0136, "Permit for Geological Prospecting, Authorization for Noncommercial Geological Exploration, or Permit for Scientific Research for Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and

Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf."

Type of Review: Renewal of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Permittees, applicants, and other respondents, including those required to only file notices (scientific research).

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 45 responses.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 826 hours.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory or required to retain or obtain a benefit.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion, annual, or as specified in permits.

Total Estimated Annual Non-hour Burden Cost: \$4,024 non-hour cost burden.

The following table details the individual components and respective annual burden estimates of this ICR. The current approved annual burden hours are equal to 730 hours. This ICR increases annual burdens by 96 hours to a total of 826 hours, based on BOEM's recent collection of data and information. The changes in annual burden hours include the following:

- For subpart B, BOEM is increasing the annual burden hours from 24 hours

to 72 hours, due to an increase in the estimated time needed to file a notice to conduct scientific research activities related to hard minerals (+48 hours).

- For subpart D, BOEM is increasing annual burden hours from 40 hours to 96 hours, due to an increase in the estimated time per response and an increase in the number of submissions for notification and submission of G&G data from 5 submissions to 6 (+56 hours). BOEM is also decreasing annual burden hours from 8 hours to 4 hours, due to a reduction in the number of submissions of information related to a contractor's commitment not to sell, trade, license, or disclose data from 2 submissions to 1 (-4 hours).

- BOEM is also decreasing annual burden hours from 6 hours to 2 hours, due to a decrease in the number of respondents being required by the issued permits to retain G&G data from 6 respondents to 2. (-4 hours)

BOEM assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities and took that into account in estimating the burden.

BURDEN TABLE

Citation 30 CFR part 580, as applicable	Reporting and recordkeeping requirements	Hour burden	Average number of annual responses	Annual burden hours
Non-hour cost burden <sup>1</sup>				
<b>Subpart B</b>				
10; 11(a); 12(a); 13; Permit Form.	Apply for permit or authorization (Form BOEM-0134) to conduct commercial prospecting/noncommercial exploration or G&G scientific research activities, including prospecting/scientific research plan and environmental assessment or required drilling plan. Provide notifications and additional information as required.	88	2 permit applications ..... 4 applications for authorization.	176 352
\$2,012 permit application fee <sup>1</sup> × 2 permits <sup>2</sup> = \$4,024				
11(b); 12(c) .....	File notice to conduct scientific research activities related to hard minerals not covered by 30 CFR 580.11(a), including notice to BOEM prior to beginning and after concluding activities.	24	3 notices .....	72
Subtotal .....	.....	.....	9 Responses .....	600
\$4,024 Non-Hour Cost Burden				
<b>Subpart C</b>				
21(a) .....	Report to BOEM if hydrocarbon/other mineral occurrences are detected; if environmental hazards that imminently threaten life and property are detected; or adverse effects occur to the environment, aquatic life, archaeological resources or other uses of the area.	1	2 reports .....	2

BURDEN TABLE—Continued

Citation 30 CFR part 580, as applicable	Reporting and recordkeeping requirements	Hour burden	Average number of annual responses	Annual burden hours
		Non-hour cost burden <sup>1</sup>		
22 .....	Submit written request for approval to modify operations, with required information.	1	4 requests .....	4
23(b) .....	Request reimbursement for food, quarters, and/or transportation expenses for BOEM inspection.	1	3 requests .....	3
24 .....	Submit status and final reports on specified schedule with daily log.	16	6 reports .....	96
28 .....	Request relinquishment of permit by certified or registered mail.	1	1 request <sup>3</sup> .....	1
31(b); 73(a)(b) .....	Governor(s) of adjacent State(s) submit to BOEM: comments on activities involving an environmental assessment; any agreement between Governor and Secretary upon Governor's request for proprietary data, information, and samples; and any disclosure agreement.	Not considered IC as defined in 5 CFR 1320.3(h)(4)		0
33, 34 .....	Appeal civil penalty; appeal order or decision ..	Burden exempt under 5 CFR 1320.4(a)(2); (c)		0
Subtotal .....	.....	.....	16 Responses .....	106

**Subpart D**

40; 41; 50; 51; Permit Form ...	Notify BOEM and submit G&G data including analysis, processing or interpretation of information collected under a permit and/or processed by permittees or 3rd parties, including reports, logs or charts, results, analyses, descriptions, etc., as required.	16	6 submissions .....	96
42(b); 52(b) .....	Advise 3rd party recipient in writing that it assumes obligations as condition precedent of sale—no submission to BOEM is required.	1/2	4 notices .....	2
42(c), (d); 52(c), (d) .....	Written notification to BOEM of sale, trade, transfer, or licensing of data and identify recipient.	1	1 notice .....	1
60; 61 .....	Request reimbursement for costs of reproducing data/information and certain processing costs.	1	1 request <sup>3</sup> .....	1
70(d)(1)(i) .....	Enter into disclosure agreement .....	4	1 agreement .....	4
72(b) .....	Submit comments on BOEM's intent to disclose data/information for reproduction, processing, and interpretation.	4	1 response .....	4
72(d) .....	Independent contractor or agent prepares and signs written commitment not to sell, trade, license, or disclose data/information without BOEM approval.	4	1 submission .....	4
Subtotal .....	.....	.....	15 Responses .....	112

**General**

Part 580 .....	General departure and alternative compliance requests not specifically covered elsewhere in Part 580 regulations.	4	1 request .....	4
Permits <sup>4</sup> .....	Request extension of permit/authorization time period.	1	2 requests .....	2
Permits <sup>4</sup> .....	Retain G&G data/information for 10 years and make available to BOEM upon request.	1	2 respondents .....	2
Subtotal .....	.....	.....	5 Responses .....	8
Total Burden .....	.....	.....	45 Responses .....	826

## BURDEN TABLE—Continued

Citation 30 CFR part 580, as applicable	Reporting and recordkeeping requirements	Hour burden	Average number of annual responses	Annual burden hours
			Non-hour cost burden <sup>1</sup>	
			\$4,024 Non-Hour Cost Burdens	

<sup>1</sup> Fees are subject to modification for inflation annually.

<sup>2</sup> Only permits, not authorizations, are subject to cost recovery.

<sup>3</sup> No requests received for many years. Minimal burden for regulatory (PRA) purposes only.

<sup>4</sup> These permits/authorizations are prepared by BOEM and sent to respondents; therefore, the forms themselves do not incur burden hours.

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The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

**Karen Thundiyil,**

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337–TA–1349]

### Certain Components for Certain Environmentally-Protected LCD Digital Displays and Products Containing Same; Notice of a Commission Determination To Review in Part a Final Initial Determination Finding No Violation of Section 337; Request for Written Submissions on the Issues Under Review and on Remedy, the Public Interest, and Bonding

**AGENCY:** U.S. International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined to review in part a final initial determination (“ID”) issued by the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) on April 16, 2024, finding no violation of section 337 in the above referenced investigation. The Commission requests written submissions from the parties on certain issues under review, as indicated in this notice, and submissions from the parties, interested government agencies, and other interested persons on the issues of remedy, the public interest, and bonding, under the schedule set forth below.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joelle P. Justus, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 617–1998. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please email [EDIS3Help@usitc.gov](mailto:EDIS3Help@usitc.gov). General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at <https://www.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205–1810.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On January 10, 2023, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint filed by Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. of the Republic of Korea; Samsung Electronics America, Inc. of Ridgefield Park, New Jersey; Samsung Research America, Inc. of Mountain View, California; and Samsung International, Inc. of Chula Vista, California (collectively, “Samsung”). 88 FR 1404–05 (Jan. 10, 2023). The complaint alleged violations of section 337 based on the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of components for certain environmentally-protected LCD digital displays and products containing same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 7,948,575 (“the ‘575 patent”); 8,111,348 (“the ‘348 patent”); RE45,117 (“the ‘117 patent”); 8,842,253 (“the ‘253 patent”); and 8,223,311 (“the ‘311 patent”). *Id.* The Commission’s notice of investigation named Manufacturing Resources International, Inc. (“MRI”) of Alpharetta, Georgia as the sole respondent. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was not named as a party in this investigation. *Id.*

On October 10, 2023, the Commission determined not to review an ID terminating the investigation as to all asserted claims of the ‘575 patent; all asserted claims of the ‘348 patent; claim 5 of the ‘117 patent; claims 1, 10, 11, and 16–19 of the ‘253 patent; and claims 1–3 and 7–12 of the ‘311 patent. Order No. 22, *unreviewed by Comm’n Notice* (Oct. 10, 2023).

On April 16, 2024, the presiding ALJ issued the final ID on violation of section 337 and a recommended determination (“RD”) on remedy and bond. The ID held that no violation of section 337 has occurred in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of components of certain environmentally-protected LCD digital displays and products containing the same by reason of infringement of claims 1 and 2 of the ‘117 patent, claims 4, 6, and 13 of the ‘311 patent, and claim 12 of the ‘253 patent. As to the ‘117 patent, the final ID found the accused products infringe the asserted claims, the asserted claims are not invalid, and the domestic industry products practice the asserted claims. As to the ‘311 patent, the final ID found the accused products do not infringe any of the asserted claims, the asserted claims are invalid for indefiniteness, and the domestic industry products practice the asserted claims (if valid). And with respect to the ‘253 patent, the final ID found the accused products do not infringe the asserted claim, the asserted claim is invalid, and the domestic industry products do not practice the asserted claim (if valid). The final ID also found that the ‘311 and ‘253 patents are not unenforceable due to inequitable conduct or unclean hands. Finally, the final ID found that Samsung failed to satisfy the economic prong of the domestic industry requirement as to any of the asserted patents.

Samsung filed a petition for review and MRI filed a contingent petition for review on April 29, 2024. The parties