

administrative procedures in reaching the decision, or any other factor not related to the suitability of the land for a landfill. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective June 1, 1998.

Dated: March 23, 1998.

Jerry Goodman,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-956-98-1420-00]

Colorado: Filing of Plats of Survey

March 23, 1998.

The plats of survey of the following described land will be officially filed in the Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Lakewood, Colorado, effective 10:00 am., March 23, 1998. All inquiries should be sent to the Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7093.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 11, T. 2 N., R. 79 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1118, Colorado, was accepted February 19, 1998.

This survey was requested by the USDA Forest Service for administrative purposes.

The plat representing the entire record of the dependent resurvey of portions of the subdivisional lines of section 10, a portion of the subdivision of section 10, and the survey of Parcel A. T. 2 S. R. 1 E., Ute Meridian, Group 1182, Colorado, was accepted February 9, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the First Guide Meridian West along the west boundary and portions of the east and south boundaries and subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of certain sections, T. 47 N., R. 8 W., New Mexico Principal Meridian, Group 1132, Colorado, was accepted February 11, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the east boundary, the corrective dependent resurvey of certain subdivisional lines, and dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the corrective survey of the subdivision of section 24, and the subdivision of sections 11 and 12, T. 13 S., R. 102 W.,

Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1081, Colorado, was accepted February 11, 1998.

This supplemental plat amends the dependent resurvey plat accepted October 27, 1997, where the acreage for lot 21 in the NE1/4 of section 9, T. 4 S., R. 78 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was inadvertently omitted. It was accepted February 11, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 18, T. 5 N., R. 96 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1133, Colorado, was accepted February 19, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the Twelfth Guide Meridian West, (east boundary), the subdivisional lines, certain claim lines, and the subdivision of sections 12 and 13, T. 5 N., R. 97 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1133, Colorado, was accepted February 19, 1998.

The plat representing the corrective dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 2, T. 6 S., R. 90 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1124, Colorado, was accepted February 19, 1998.

The plat representing the corrective dependent resurvey of a portion of the south boundary and subdivisional lines and a corrective survey of a portion of the subdivision of sections 33 and 34, T. 1 S., R. 84 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1152, Colorado, was accepted February 19, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of subdivisional lines with a subdivision of section 9, T. 46 N., R. 4 W., New Mexico Principal Meridian, Group 1056, Colorado, was accepted February 23, 1998.

This supplemental plat, showing lot 1 in the NW1/4 section 9, T. 10 S., R. 86 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted March 4, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 23, T. 2 N., R. 76 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1145, Colorado, was accepted March 6, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the north boundary and the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 5, T. 15 S., R. 102 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1014, Colorado, was accepted March 6, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 12, T. 1 S., R. 95 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1155, Colorado, was accepted March 6, 1998.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the west boundary and a portion of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of certain sections, T. 3 N., R. 103 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1141, Colorado, was accepted March 6, 1998.

These surveys were requested by BLM for administrative purposes.

Darryl A. Wilson,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Colorado.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of revision of a currently approved collection of information (OMB Control Number 1010-0071).

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Act), the Department of the Interior has submitted the collection of information discussed below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. The Act 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.

DATES: Submit written comments by May 1, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments and suggestions directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1010-0071), 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20503. Send a copy of your comments to the Minerals Management Service, Attention: Rules Processing Team, Mail Stop 4024, 381 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alexis London, Engineering and Operations Division, Minerals Management Service, telephone (703) 787-1600. You may obtain copies of the supporting statement and collection of information by contacting MMS's Information Collection Clearance Officer at (202) 208-7744.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 30 CFR Part 203, Relief or Reduction in Royalty Rates.

Abstract: The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended by the

Deep Water Royalty Relief Act (DWRRA), gives the Secretary of the Interior the authority to reduce or eliminate royalty or any net profit share set forth in Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leases to promote increased production. The MMS final rule established the terms and conditions for granting reductions in royalty rates under the OCS Lands Act and royalty suspension volumes under the DWRRA for certain leases in existence before November 28, 1995. It also defines the information required for a complete application as required by 43 U.S.C. 1337(a)(3)(C). The final rule was published in the **Federal Register** on January 16, 1998 (63 FR 2605). The preamble stated that the new information collection requirement in § 203.61 would not become effective until approved by OMB. The preamble provided the required 60-day comment period.

MMS will use the information to make decisions on the economic

viability of leases requesting a suspension or elimination of royalty or net profit share. These decisions have enormous monetary impacts to both the lessee and the Federal Government. Royalty relief can lead to increased production of natural gas and oil, creating profits for lessees and royalty and tax revenues for the Government that they might not otherwise receive. An application for royalty relief must contain sufficient financial, economic, reservoir, geologic and geophysical, production, and engineering data and information for MMS to determine whether relief should be granted according to applicable law. The application also must be sufficient to determine whether the requested relief will result in an ultimate increase in resource recovery and receipts to the Federal Treasury and provide for reasonable returns on project investments. The applicant's requirement to respond is related only to a request to obtain royalty relief. The

applicant has no obligation to make such a request. The MMS will protect information considered proprietary under applicable law and regulations at 30 CFR 203.63(b) and 30 CFR part 250.

Number and Description of Respondents: Approximately 130 Federal OCS oil and gas lessees making an estimated 44 applications per year.

Frequency: On occasion.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: See chart below. Average 333 hours per response for a total estimated burden of 14,640 hours.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: See chart below.

(a) Application processing cost: average \$22,000 per application for a total estimated burden of \$618,250.

(b) Some applications will require a report prepared by an independent certified public accountant: average \$45,000 per application for an estimated burden of \$1,215,000.

BURDEN BREAKDOWN CHART

Requirement 30 CFR part 203	Application/audit fees		
	Responses per year	Hours per response	Annual burden
OCSLA Reporting			
Application—leases that generate earnings that can't sustain continued production (end-of-life lease).	6	200	1,200
	Application: 6 × \$8,000 = \$48,000 Audit: 1 × \$12,500 = \$12,500		
Application—NRS expansion project	0	0	0
§ 203.55 Renounce relief arrangement	Seldom, if ever will be used; burden minimal to prepare letter		0
§ 203.81 Required reports	Burden included with applications		0
Subtotal OCS Lands Act	6	N/A	1,200
	Processing Fees \$60,500		
DWRRA Reporting			
Application—leases in designated areas of GOM deep water acquired in lease sale before 11/28/95 and are producing (deep water expansion project).	3	600	1,800
	Application: 3 × \$19,500 = \$58,500 Audit: 1 × \$18,750 = \$18,750		
Application—leases in designated areas of GOM deep water acquired in lease sale before 11/28/95 and have not produced (pre-act deep water leases).	8	1,000	8,000
	Application: 8 × \$34,000 = \$272,000 Audit: 2 × \$37,500 = 75,000		
Application—short form to add or assign pre-act lease	7	40	280
	Application: 7 × \$1,000 = \$7,000 No Audit:		
Application—preview assessment	2	900	1,800
	Application: 2 × \$28,500 = \$57,000 No Audit:		
Redetermination	2	500	1,000
	Application: 2 × \$16,000 = \$32,000 Audit: 1 × \$37,500 = \$37,500		
§ 203.70 Submit fabricator's confirmation report	8	20	160
§ 203.70 Submit post-production development report	8	50	400
§ 203.77 Renounce relief arrangement	Seldom, if ever will be used; burden minimal to prepare letter		0
§ 203.79 Appeal MMS decisions	Exempt as defined in 5 CFR 1320.3(h)(9)		0
§ 203.81 Required reports	Burden included with applications		0
Subtotal DWRRA	38	N/A	13,440

BURDEN BREAKDOWN CHART—Continued

Requirement 30 CFR part 203	Application/audit fees		
	Responses per year	Hours per response	Annual burden
Total Annual Reporting Burden	Processing Fees \$557,750		
	44 Responses	N/A	14,640 Hours
Processing Fees \$618,250			
Recordkeeping			
§ 203.91 Retain supporting cost records for post-production development and fabrication reports. Total Annual Recordkeeping Burden.	8 Record keepers	8	64 Hours
Respondents would retain records as usual and customary business practice; minimal burden to make them available at MMS request.			

Comments

Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act 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.

Send your comments directly 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 May 1, 1998.

MMS Information Collection
Clearance Officer: Jo Ann Lauterbach,
(202) 208-7744.

Dated: March 25, 1998.

E. P. Danenberger,
Chief, Engineering and Operations Division.
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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation 332-392]

Advice Concerning APEC Sectoral Trade Liberalization

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation and scheduling of public hearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 25, 1998.

SUMMARY: Following receipt of a request on March 18, 1998, from the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-392, Advice Concerning APEC Sectoral Trade Liberalization, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Industry-specific information may be obtained from Karen Laney-Cummings (202-205-3443) or James Lukes (202-205-3426), Office of Industries, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20436. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation contact Mr. William Gearhart of the Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091). News media should contact Peg O’Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

Background

USTR asked the Commission to provide advice concerning trade liberalization among APEC countries in nine sectors including: chemicals, environmental goods and services, fish and fish products, forest products, gems and jewelry, medical equipment and instruments, toys, energy equipment and services, and telecommunications equipment. A list of Harmonized Tariff

System (HTS) numbers that comprise the goods for most sectors is attached; the list for environmental goods and services is illustrative. The report will include (1) profiles of the above industry sectors (including a description of U.S. and foreign sectors and their competitive positions); (2) an assessment of patterns of U.S. sector imports and exports to APEC trading partners and other trading partners; (3) summaries of U.S. and foreign tariff rates and reported nontariff barriers affecting the sectors; and (4) information about increased market access opportunities resulting from liberalization. As requested, the Commission plans to transmit its report to USTR by June 16, 1998. USTR has indicated portions of the report will be classified as “confidential” and will also be regarded as containing predecisional advice and be subject to the deliberative process privilege.

Public Hearing: A public hearing in connection with the investigation will be held at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC, beginning at 9:30 a.m. on April 21, 1998. All persons shall have the right to appear, by counsel or in person, to present information and to be heard. Requests to appear at the public hearing should be filed with the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC, 20436, no later than 5:15 p.m., April 15, 1998. Any prehearing briefs (original and 14 copies) should be filed not later than 5:15 p.m., April 15, 1998; the deadline for filing post-hearing briefs or statements is 5:15 p.m., April 28, 1998. In the event that, as of the close of business on April 15, 1998, no witnesses are scheduled to appear at the hearing, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or non-