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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Meeting for the Five Western Oregon BLM Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Meeting notice for the five western Oregon Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Advisory Committees under Section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393).

SUMMARY: This notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Meeting notice is hereby given for the five western Oregon BLM Resource Advisory Committees including the Coos Bay, Eugene, Medford, Roseburg and Salem Districts pursuant to Section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000, Public Law 106-393 (the Act). Topics to be discussed by the BLM Resource Advisory Committees include operating procedures, establishing roles and responsibilities, selection of a chairperson, Federal travel regulations, facilitation needs, as well as future meeting dates. Follow-up meetings will address projects to proposed for funding under Title II of the Act.

DATES: The BLM Resource Advisory Committees will meet on the following dates: The Coos Bay Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the BLM Coos Bay District Office, 1300 Airport Lane, North Bend, Oregon 97459, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on February 22, 2002 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on March 7, 2002.

The Eugene Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the BLM Eugene District Office, 2890 Chad Drive, Eugene, Oregon 97440, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on February 28, 2002 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on March 14, 2002.

The Medford Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the BLM Medford District Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon 97504, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., on February 14, 2002 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 27, 2002.

The Salem Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the BLM Salem District Office, 1717 Fabry Road, Salem, Oregon 97306, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on

February 1, 2002 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on March 1, 2002

The Roseburg Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the BLM Roseburg District Office, 777 N.W. Garden Valley Boulevard, Roseburg, Oregon 97470, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on February 11, 2002 and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on February 25, 2002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act, five Resource Advisory Committees have been formed for western Oregon BLM districts that contain Oregon & California (O&C) Grant Lands and Coos Bay Wagon Road lands. The Act establishes a six-year payment schedule to local counties in lieu of funds derived from the harvest of timber on federal lands, which have dropped dramatically over the past 10 years.

The Act creates a new mechanism for local community collaboration with federal land management activities in the selection of projects to be conducted on federal lands or that will benefit resources on federal lands using funds under Title II of the Act. The BLM Resource Advisory Committees consist of 15 local citizens (plus 6 alternates) representing a wide array of interests.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Additional information concerning the BLM Resource Advisory Committees may be obtained from Maya Fuller, Public Affairs, Oregon State Office, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208, (503) 952-6437, or maya_fuller@or.blm.gov, or on the Web at www.or.blm.gov.

Dated: December 21, 2001.

Chuck Wassinger,

Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection, Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of a revision of a currently approved information collection (OMB Control Number 1010-0107).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, we are inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request (ICR)

is titled "Designation of Royalty Payment Responsibility."

DATES: Submit written comments on or before March 18, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to Carol P. Shelby, Regulatory Specialist, Minerals Management Service, Minerals Revenue Management, P.O. Box 25165, MS 320B2, Denver, Colorado 80225. If you use an overnight courier service, our courier address is Building 85, Room A-614, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol P. Shelby, telephone (303) 231-3151, FAX (303) 231-3385, email Carol.Shelby@mms.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Designation of Royalty Payment Responsibility.

OMB Control Number: 1010-0107.

Bureau Form Number: MMS-4425.

Abstract: The Department of the Interior (DOI) is responsible for matters relevant to mineral resource development on Federal and Indian lands and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). The Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) is responsible for managing the production of minerals from Federal and Indian lands and the OCS, collecting royalties from lessees who produce minerals, and distributing the funds collected in accordance with applicable laws. The Secretary also has an Indian trust responsibility to manage Indian lands and seek advice and information from Indian beneficiaries. MMS performs the royalty management functions and assists the Secretary in carrying out DOI's Indian trust responsibility.

The Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1996 (RSFA), Public Law 104-185, as corrected by Public Law 104-200, established that owners of operating rights or lease record title (referred to as "lessees") are responsible for making royalty and related payments on Federal oil and gas leases. It is common, however, for a payor rather than a lessee to make these payments. When a payor makes payments on behalf of a lessee, RSFA requires that the lessee designate the payor as its designee and notify MMS of this arrangement in writing. These RSFA requirements are codified in 30 CFR 218.52.

MMS designed Form MMS-4425, Designation Form, to contain all the information necessary for lessees to comply with these RSFA requirements. We are proposing a minor revision to Form MMS-4425 to remove the field for revenue source code. This revision is necessary to make Form MMS-4425 compatible with other recently revised

forms such as the Form MMS-2014, Report of Sales and Royalty Remittance. These revisions are the result of a major reengineering of MMS's financial and compliance processes and the procurement of a new computer system.

Submission of the information in this collection is necessary to comply with RSFA requirements to notify MMS in writing when a lessee wishes to designate a designee. Proprietary information that is submitted is protected, and there are no questions of a sensitive nature included in this information collection.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: 1,600 oil and gas lessees.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: 1,200 hours.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-hour Cost"

Burden: We have identified no "non-hour cost" burdens.

Comments: 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. 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.

The PRA also requires agencies to estimate the total annual reporting "non-hour cost" burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. We have not identified non-hour cost burdens for this information collection. If you have costs to generate, maintain, and disclose this information, you should comment and provide your total capital and startup cost components or annual operation, maintenance, and purchase of service components. You should describe the methods you use to estimate major cost factors, including system and technology acquisition, expected useful life of capital

equipment, discount rate(s), and the period over which you incur costs. Capital and startup costs include, among other items, computers and software you purchase to prepare for collecting information; monitoring, sampling, testing equipment; and record storage facilities. Generally, your estimates should not include equipment or services purchased: (i) Before October 1, 1995; (ii) to comply with requirements not associated with the information collection; (iii) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the Government; or (iv) as part of customary and usual business or private practices.

We will summarize written responses to this notice and address them in our ICR submission for OMB approval, including appropriate adjustments to the estimated burden. We will provide a copy of the ICR to you without charge upon request.

Public Comment Policy. 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. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the public record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the rulemaking record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you request that we withhold your name and/or address, state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

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

Dated: November 16, 2001.

Lucy Querques Denett,

Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigations Nos. 731-TA-986 and 987 (Preliminary)]

Ferrovanadium From China and South Africa

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission determines, pursuant to section 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1673b(a)) (the Act), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports from China and South Africa of ferrovanadium, provided for in subheading 7202.92.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV).

Commencement of Final Phase Investigations

Pursuant to § 207.18 of the Commission's rules, the Commission also gives notice of the commencement of the final phase of its investigations. The Commission will issue a final phase notice of scheduling, which will be published in the **Federal Register** as provided in § 207.21 of the Commission's rules, upon notice from the Department of Commerce of an affirmative preliminary determination in these investigations under section 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determinations are negative, upon notice of affirmative final determinations in those investigations under section 735(a) of the Act. Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigations. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.

Background

These investigations are being instituted in response to a petition filed on November 26, 2001, by the Ferroalloys Association Vanadium Committee and its members Bear

¹ The record is defined in § 207.2(f) of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).