

Citation 30 CFR part 256	Reporting requirement	Hour burden
Subparts A, C, E, H, L, M	None	0
Subparts G, H, I, J:	Request approval for various operations or submit plans or applications. [Burden included with other approved collections in 30 CFR 250].	0
256.37, 256.53, 256.68, 256.70, 256.71, 256.72, 256.73		
Subpart B:	Submit response to request/call for information, comments, and interest in areas for mineral leasing, including information from States/local governments.	4
256.16, 256.17, 250.20		
Subpart D:		
All sections		
Subpart F: 256.31	States or local governments submit comments/recommendations on size, timing or location of proposed lease sale.	4
Subpart G:	Establish a Company File for pre-qualification purposes; submit updated information	2
256.35, 256.46(d), (e)		
256.41, 256.43, 256.46(g)	Submit qualification of bidders for joint bids and statement or report of production	4½
256.44, 256.46	Submit bids and required information	5
256.47(c)	File agreement to accept joint lease on tie bids	3½
256.47(e)(1), (e)(3)	Request for reconsideration of bid rejection. [Exempt as defined in 5 CFR 1320(h)(9).]	0
256.47(f), (i), 256.50	Execute lease (includes submission of evidence of authorized agent and request for dating of leases).	1
Subpart I: 256.54	OCS Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Bond (form MMS-2028)	¼
256.54	OCS Mineral Lessee's and Operator's Supplemental Plugging & Abandonment Bond (form MMS-2028A).	¼
256.52(f)(2), (g)(2)	Submit authority for Regional Director to sell Treasury or alternate type of securities	2
256.53(c), (d), (f);	Demonstrate financial worth/ability to carry out present and future financial obligations, request approval of another form of security, or request reduction in amount of supplemental bond required.	2½
256.54(d)(3)	Notify MMS of any lapse in previous bond/action filed alleging lessee, surety, or guarantor is insolvent or bankrupt.	½
256.55	Provide plan/instructions to fund lease-specific abandonment account and related information; request approval to withdraw funds.	11
256.56	Provide third-party guarantee, indemnity agreement, related notices, and annual update; notify MMS if guarantor becomes unqualified.	16½
256.57(d)(3), 256.58	Notice of and request approval to terminate period of liability, cancel bond, or other security	½
256.59(c)(2)	Provide information to demonstrate lease will be brought into compliance	14
Subpart J:	File application for assignment or transfer for approval	1
256.62, 256.64, 256.65, 56.67		
256.64(a)(7)	File required instruments creating or transferring working interests, etc., for record purposes	½
256.64(a)(8)	Submit non-required documents, for record purposes, which respondents want MMS to file with the lease document. [Accepted on behalf of lessees as a service, but MMS does not require nor need the filings.].	0
Subpart K: 256.76	File written request for relinquishment	1
All Subparts	General departure and alternative compliance requests not specifically covered elsewhere in Part 256.	1

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost"

Burden: The currently approved "non-hour cost" burden for this information collection is a total of \$414,000. This cost burden is for filing fees associated with submitting requests for approval of instruments of transfer (\$185 per application) or to file non-required documents for record purposes (\$25 per filing).

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond.

Comments: 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.

Agencies must also estimate the "non-hour cost" burdens to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. Therefore, 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, and record storage facilities. You should not include estimates for 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 submission for OMB approval. As a result of your comments, we will make any necessary adjustments to the burden in our submission to OMB.