

such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that an agency may not sponsor or request, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section, room 4526, during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., e.s.t., Monday through Friday except for legal holidays. If you wish to have your name and/or address withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. We will honor your request according to the requirements of the law. All comments from organizations or representatives will be available for review. We may withhold comments from review for other reasons.

OMB Control Number: 1076-0155.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Title: Leases and Permits, 25 CFR 162.

Brief Description of Collection:

Generally trust and restricted land may be leased by Indian land owners, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, except when specified by a specific statute. The Secretary requests information on the documentation collection initiated when processing a lease on land held in trust or restricted status by an individual Indian or tribe. The Secretary requires the information necessary to satisfy 25 CFR part 162, the information used to determine whether the Secretary should approve a lease, amendment, assignment, sublease, mortgage or related documents. No specific form is used, however in order to satisfy the Federal law, regulation and policy the respondents supply information and data, in accordance with 25 CFR part 162.

Respondents: Possible respondents include: Land owners of trust or restricted Indian land, both tribal and individual, wanting to lease their land or someone wanting to lease trust or restricted Indian land.

Number of Respondents: 14,500.

Estimated Time Per Response: The time per response varies from 15 minutes to 4 hours.

Frequency of Response: This is a one-time collection per lease approval.

Total Annual Responses: 121,140.

Total Annual Burden to Respondents: 106,065.

Total Annual Fees from Respondents: BIA collects fees for processing submitted documents, as set forth in section 162.241 or 162.616. The minimum administrative fee is \$10.00 and the maximum administrative fee is \$500.00. The average total

administrative fee collected is \$250.00, which is collected approximately 7,500 times, totaling \$1,812,500.

Dated: October 24, 2003.

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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 an extension of a currently approved information collection (OMB Control Number 1010-0042).

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 "30 CFR Part 208—Sale of Federal Royalty Oil; Royalty-in-Kind (RIK) Program (Form MMS-4070, Application for the Purchase of Royalty Oil)."

DATES: Submit written comments on or before December 29, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to Sharron L. Gebhardt, Regulatory Specialist, Minerals Management Service, Minerals Revenue Management, P.O. Box 25165, MS 320B2, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165. If you use an overnight courier service, our courier address is Building 85, Room A-614, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165. You may also e-mail your comments to us at mrm.comments@mms.gov. Include the title of the information collection and the OMB control number in the "Attention" line of your comment. Also, include your name and return address. Submit electronic comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. If you do not receive a confirmation that we have received your e-mail, contact Ms. Gebhardt at (303) 231-3211.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharron L. Gebhardt, telephone: (303) 231-3211, FAX: (303) 231-3781, or e-mail: sharron.gebhardt@mms.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 30 CFR Part 208—Sale of Federal Royalty Oil; Royalty-in-Kind

(RIK) Program (Form MMS-4070, Application for the Purchase of Royalty Oil).

OMB Control Number: 1010-0042.

Bureau Form Number: Form MMS-4070.

Abstract: The Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) is responsible for collecting royalties from lessees who produce minerals from leased Federal and Indian lands. The Secretary is required by various laws to manage mineral resources production on Federal and Indian lands, collect the royalties due, and distribute the funds in accordance with those laws. The MMS performs the royalty management functions for the Secretary.

"Royalty oil" is crude oil produced from leased Federal lands, both onshore and offshore, in instances in which the Government exercises the option to accept a lessee's royalty payment in oil rather than in money. Title to the oil is transferred to the Government and then sold to an eligible refiner. When the Secretary determines that small refiners do not have access to adequate supplies of oil, the Secretary may dispose of any oil taken as royalty by conducting a sale of such oil, or by allocating it to eligible refiners.

When the Secretary decides to offer royalty oil taken in kind for sale to eligible refiners, MMS will publish a "Notice of Availability of Royalty Oil" (NOA) in the **Federal Register**, and other printed media, when appropriate. The NOA includes administrative details concerning the application, the allocation, and the contract award process for the royalty oil. The refiners interested in purchasing royalty oil will submit the Application for the Purchase of Royalty Oil, Form MMS-4070, in accordance with instructions in the Notice, and with instructions issued by MMS for completion of the form. The MMS uses the information collected on the Form MMS-4070 to determine if the applicant meets eligibility requirements to contract to purchase royalty oil. Information collected also provides a basis for the allocation of available royalty oil among qualified refiners. Responses to this information collection are necessary for refiners to participate in royalty oil sales.

No proprietary information will be submitted to MMS under this collection. No items of a sensitive nature are collected. The requirement to respond is voluntary for those respondents requesting to participate in this program.

We are revising this ICR, OMB Control Number 1010-0042, to include additional reporting requirements contained in 30 CFR Part 208 that were