

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: Approximately 128 respondents from all persons in the Native Alaskan household/community.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: The MMS estimates the total annual burden hours to be 192 (128 respondents × 1.5 hours per questionnaire = 192 total burden hours).

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Non-Hour Cost Burden: We have identified no paperwork non-hour cost burdens associated with the collection of information.

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: Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) 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.

To comply with the public consultation process, on May 1, 2009, we published a **Federal Register** notice (74 FR 20329) announcing that we would submit this information collection request to OMB for approval. The notice provided the required 60-day comment period. This notice also informed the public that they may comment at any time on the collection of information and provided the address to which they should send comments. We have received no comments in response to these efforts.

If you wish to comment in response to this notice, you may send your comments to the offices listed under the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. The 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 October 22, 2009.

Public Availability of Comments: Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

MMS Information Collection Clearance Officer: Arlene Bajusz (202) 208–7744.

Dated: July 9, 2009.

E.P. Danenberger,
Chief, Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for 1029–0051

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing its intention to request approval to continue the collection of information for 30 CFR part 840—Permanent Program Inspection and Enforcement Procedures. This information collection activity was previously approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and assigned control number 10290051.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection activities must be received by November 23, 2009, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to John Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave, NW., Room 202–SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Comments may also be submitted electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this collection of information, contact John Trelease, at (202) 208–2783 or by e-mail listed in **ADDRESSES**.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which

implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities [see 5 CFR 1320.8 (d)]. This notice identifies an information collection that OSM will be submitting to OMB for renewed approval. The collection is contained in 30 CFR part 840—Permanent Program Inspection and Enforcement Procedures. OSM will request a 3-year term of approval for each information collection activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) The need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information. A summary of the public comments will accompany OSM’s submission of the information collection request to OMB.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The following information is provided for the information collection: (1) Title of the information collection; (2) OMB control number; (3) summary of the information collection activity; and (4) frequency of collection, description of the respondents, estimated total annual responses, and the total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden for the collection of information.

Title: 30 CFR part 840—Permanent Program Inspection and Enforcement Procedures.

OMB Control Number: 1029–0051.

Abstract: This provision requires the regulatory authority to conduct periodic inspections of coal mining activities, and prepare and maintain inspection reports and other related documents for OSM and public review. This information is necessary to meet the requirements of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 and its public participation provisions. Public review assures the public that the State is meeting the requirements for the Act and approved State regulatory program.

Bureau Form Number: None.
Frequency of Collection: Once, monthly, quarterly, and annually.
Description of Respondents: State Regulatory Authorities.
Total Annual Responses: 80,284.
Total Annual Burden Hours: 526,985.

Dated: September 14, 2009.

John R. Craynon,

Chief, Division of Regulatory Support.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

[Docket No. MMS-2009-OMM-0012]

MMS Information Collection Activity: 1010-0176, Renewable Energy and Alternate Uses of Existing Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf Forms, Extension of a Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of extension of an information collection (1010-0176).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), MMS is inviting comments on a collection of information that we will resubmit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The resubmission of this information collection request (ICR) is necessary to include forms we have developed to clarify and facilitate submission of certain paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR 285, Renewable Energy and Alternate Uses of Existing Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf. The new forms are Forms MMS-0002, MMS-0003, MMS-0004, MMS-0005, and MMS-0006. These forms will entail no additional information collection burden to that already approved by OMB for the 30 CFR 285 regulations.

DATES: Submit written comments by November 23, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch at (703) 787-1607. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon or Timothy Redding (703) 787-1219, to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulation and the forms that require the subject collection of information. Also, you can view or print the forms via *regulations.gov*. See the instructions listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

ADDRESSES: Follow the instructions under "Electronically" to view or print out the forms that are attached in the

supporting and related materials section of the docket. You may submit comments by either of the following methods listed below:

- *Electronically:* go to *http://www.regulations.gov*. In the entry titled "Select Document Type", click Notice in the drop down menu. In the entry titled, "Enter Keyword or ID," enter docket ID MMS-2009-OMM-0012, then click Search. Look for the subject Information Collection notice and under the Actions column on the right, click the "submit a comment" button. Include your name and return address in your comment. The MMS will post all comments.

- Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Cheryl Blundon; 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference Information Collection 1010-0176 in your subject line and mark your message for return receipt. Include your name and return address in your comment text.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 30 CFR 285, Renewable Energy and Alternate Uses of Existing Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf.

Form(s): MMS-0002, MMS-0003, MMS-0004, MMS-0005, and MMS-0006.

OMB Control Number: 1010-0176.

Abstract: The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to issue leases, easements, or rights-of-way on the OCS for activities that produce or support production, transportation, or transmission of energy from sources other than oil and gas (renewable energy). Specifically, subsection 8(p) of the OCS Lands Act, as amended by section 388 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-58), directs the Secretary of the Interior to issue any necessary regulations to carry out the OCS renewable energy program. The Secretary delegated the authority to issue such regulations and implement an OCS renewable energy program to the Minerals Management Service (MMS).

Under 30 CFR part 285, respondents will operate commercial and noncommercial technology projects that include installation, construction, operation and maintenance, and decommissioning of offshore facilities, as well as possible onshore support facilities. The MMS must ensure that these activities and operations on the OCS are carried out in a safe and pollution-free manner, do not interfere with the rights of other users on the

OCS, and balance the protection and development of OCS resources. To do this, MMS needs information concerning the proposed activities, facilities, safety equipment, inspections and tests, and natural and manmade hazards near the site, as well as assurance of fiscal responsibility.

Specifically, MMS will use the information collected under part 285 to:

- Determine if applicants and assignees are qualified to hold leases on the OCS. Information is used to track ownership of leases and right-of-way (ROW) or right of use and easement (RUE), as well as to approve requests to designate an operator to act on the lessee's behalf. Information is necessary to approve assignment, relinquishment, or cancellation requests. Information is used to document that a lease, ROW, or RUE has been surrendered by the record title holder and to ensure that all legal obligations are met and facilities are properly decommissioned.

- Determine if an application for a ROW or RUE serves the purpose specified in the grant.

- Review and approve SAPs, COPs, and GAPs prior to allowing activities to commence on a lease to ensure that the activities will protect human, marine, and coastal environments of the OCS; to review plans for taking safety equipment out of service to ensure alternate measures are used that will properly provide for the safety of the facilities. The MMS inspectors monitor the records concerning facility inspections and tests to ensure safety of operations and protection of the environment and to schedule their workload to permit witnessing and inspecting operations. Provide lessees greater flexibility to comply with regulatory requirements through approval of alternative equipment or procedures and departures to regulations if they demonstrate equal or better compliance with the appropriate performance standards.

- Ensure that, if granted, proposed routes of a ROW or RUE do not conflict with any State requirements or unduly interfere with other OCS activities.

- Determine if all facilities, project easements, cables, pipelines, and obstructions, when they are no longer needed, are properly removed or decommissioned, and that the seafloor is cleared of all obstructions created by operations on the lease, project easement, RUE or ROW.

- Improve safety and environmental protection on the OCS through collection and analysis of accident reports to ascertain the cause of the accidents and to determine ways to prevent recurrences.