

law of the State or other jurisdiction in which the child resides; or

(3) The child is in an independent study elementary or a secondary education program administered by the local school, district, or jurisdiction, which is in accordance with the law of the State or other jurisdiction in which he or she resides.

(b) The child is in full-time attendance in a day or evening non-correspondence course of at least 13 weeks duration and he or she is carrying a subject load that is considered full-time for day students under the institution's standards and practices. If he or she is in a home schooling program as described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section, he or she must be carrying a subject load that is considered full-time for day students under the standards and practices set by the State or other jurisdiction in which the student resides.

(c) To be considered in full-time attendance, scheduled attendance must be at the rate of at least 20 hours per week unless one of the exceptions in paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this section applies. If the student is in an independent study program as described in paragraph (a)(3) of this section, the number of hours spent in school attendance is determined by combining the number of hours of attendance at a school facility with the agreed upon number of hours spent in independent study. The student may still be considered in full-time attendance if the scheduled rate of attendance is below 20 hours per week if the Board finds that:

(1) The school attended does not schedule at least 20 hours per week and going to that particular school is the student's only reasonable alternative; or

(2) The student's medical condition prevents him or her from having scheduled attendance of at least 20 hours per week. To prove that the student's medical condition prevents him or her from scheduling 20 hours per week, the Board may request that the student provide appropriate medical evidence or a statement from the school.

(d) An individual is not a full-time student if, while attending an elementary or secondary school, he or she is paid compensation by an employer who has requested or required that the individual attend the school. An individual is not a fulltime student while he or she is confined in a penal institution or correctional facility because he or she committed a felony after October 19, 1980.

(e) A student who reaches age 19 but has not completed the requirements for a secondary school diploma or

certificate and who is a full-time elementary or secondary student, as defined in paragraph (a) of this section, will continue to be eligible for benefits until the first day of the first month following the end of the quarter or semester in which he or she is then enrolled, or if the school is not operated on a quarter or semester system, the earlier of:

(1) The first day of the month following completion of the course(s) in which he or she was enrolled when age 19 was reached; or

(2) The first day of the third month following the month in which he or she reached age 19.

Dated: October 14, 1997.

By Authority of the Board.

**Beatrice Ezerski,**

*Secretary to the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### 30 CFR Chapter II

#### Workshop on the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1996 (RSFA)

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of workshop.

**SUMMARY:** The Minerals Management Service (MMS), Royalty Management Program, is implementing the requirements of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1996. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of a public workshop session.

**DATES:** The workshop will begin on Wednesday, November 5, 1997, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Mountain time; and continues on Thursday, November 6, 1997, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mountain time.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held in the Building 85 Auditorium at the Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado. Mail comments to: David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and Publications Staff, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3021, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165; courier delivery to Building 85, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225; or e-mail David\_Guzy@mms.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and Publications Staff, telephone (303) 231-

3432; Fax (303) 231-3385; e-mail: David\_Guzy@mms.gov.; or contact Mike Miller, at (303) 231-3413; e-mail: Mike\_Miller@mms.gov.

MMS will send a detailed agenda for the meeting via facsimile on or before October 30, 1997, to the State and industry working group members listed below. This group originally met with us in October 1996, and members of this working group agreed to make sure those stakeholders whom they represent are appropriately represented at scheduled meetings.

#### *American Petroleum Institute*

Richard McPike, Fina Oil, P.O. Box 2159, Dallas, TX 75221, (214) 750-2820, Fax: (214) 750-2987  
Backup: David Deal, 1220 L Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20005, (202) 682-8261, Fax: (202) 682-8033

#### *Council of Petroleum Accountants Societies*

John Clark, Conoco, P.O. Box 1267, Ponca City, OK 74602-1267, (405) 767-5044, Fax: (405) 767-3686

#### *Domestic Petroleum Council*

Becky McGee, Oryx Energy Company, 13155 Noel Road, Dallas, TX 75240, (972) 715-3198, Fax: (972) 715-8810

#### *Independent Petroleum Association of America*

Ben Dillon, 1101 16th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036, (202) 857-4722, Fax: (202) 857-4799

#### *Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States*

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#### *Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association*

Patty Patten, OXY USA, Inc., 110 W. 7th Street, Tulsa, OK 74137, (918) 561-3703, Fax: (918) 561-4364

Backup: Patricia Dunmire Bragg, Gardere & Wynne, L.L.P., 100 West Fifth Street, 200 Oneck Plaza, Tulsa, OK 74103-4240, (918) 699-2920, Fax: (918) 699-2929

#### *Natural Gas Supply Association*

George Butler, Chevron, P.O. Box 3725, Houston, TX 77213-3725, (713) 754-7809, Fax: (713) 754-3366

#### *Rocky Mountain Oil & Gas Association*

Mary Stonecipher, Amoco Corporation, P.O. Box 591, Tulsa, OK 74102, (918) 581-4354, Fax: (918) 581-4526

Backup: Cliff Dodge, 1775 Sherman Street, Suite 2501, Denver, CO 80203, (303) 860-0099, Fax: (303) 860-0310

Backup: Wayne Pachall, Texaco, Inc.,  
P.O. Box 4325, Houston, TX 77210,  
(713) 752-7412, Fax: (713) 752-4660

#### Royalty Policy Committee

David Blackmon, Burlington Resources,  
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76102, (817) 347-2354, Fax: (817)  
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#### State and Tribal Royalty Audit Committee

George Staigle, North Dakota State  
Auditor's Office, Royalty Audit  
Section, P.O. Box 3009, Bismark, ND  
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#### Western Governors' Association

Paul Kruse, State of Wyoming,  
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5400

#### Western States Land Commissioners Association

Roger Melson, Oklahoma  
Commissioners of the Land Office,  
P.O. Box 26910, Oklahoma City, OK  
26910, Phone: (405) 271-1000, Fax:  
(405) 271-2500.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** President Clinton signed the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act (RSFA) on August 13, 1996, to improve the management of royalties from Federal oil and gas leases. This is the first major legislation affecting royalty management since the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982 (FOGRMA) was passed in January 1983.

In our **Federal Register** Notice dated October 30, 1996 (61 FR 55941), MMS listed key issues involved in implementing RSFA. This workshop will focus on some of those key issues. Potential discussion topics include:

#### Interest on Overpayments

- Accepting Interest Payments and Reporting from "Designees" on Underpayments.
- Reporting and Paying Interest on Overpayments.

#### Assessing for Chronic Erroneous Reporting Takes/Entitlements

- Marginal Properties exception to RSFA entitlements reporting requirements.
- Reporting requirements on takes/entitlement basis.

#### Marginal Properties

- Providing Accounting, Reporting, and Auditing Relief for Marginal Properties.
- Allowing for Prepayments of Future Revenue Streams.

For each of these issues, MMS plans to describe work to date including any decision reached. MMS will also discuss the status of regulations, systems changes, and process implementation for each of these key issues. We will also focus on aspects of these key issues where we believe State and industry feedback is needed before we go further in implementation.

In order to accomplish a broad based fact finding on how the requirements of RSFA affect our customers and stakeholders, comments from the public are encouraged on any issue related to implementing RSFA. In addition to attendance at this workshop, comments can be made in writing and sent directly to MMS using instructions in the **ADDRESSES** part of this notice.

Dated: October 16, 1997.

**Lucy Querques Denett,**

*Associate Director for Royalty Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### 30 CFR Part 206

**RIN 1010-AC09**

#### Public Meeting on Proposed Rule; Establishing Oil Value for Royalty Due on Federal Leases

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public workshop and reopening of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Minerals Management Service (MMS) has reopened the public comment period under a proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on January 24, 1997 (62 FR 3742), amending the royalty valuation regulations for crude oil produced from Federal leases. In the July 3, 1997, **Federal Register** (62 FR 36030), we published a supplementary notice of proposed rulemaking. We received a variety of comments on the proposed and supplementary proposed rules. In the September 22, 1997, **Federal Register** (62 FR 49460), we published a summary of these comments, outlined alternatives for proceeding with further rulemaking, and requested public comment on those or other suggested alternatives. MMS now extends the comment period to November 5, 1997.

MMS will hold a public workshop to discuss alternatives for proceeding with the rulemaking. The purpose of this workshop is to obtain comments on the alternatives described in the September

22, 1997, **Federal Register** notice, or any new alternatives or modifications to the proposed alternatives for MMS's consideration. We are not requesting comments on the original proposed rule or the supplemental proposed rule, nor on the summary of comments outlined in the September 22, 1997, **Federal Register** notice. Interested parties are invited to attend and participate in this workshop.

**DATES:** The public workshop will be held from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on October 27, 1997, Eastern time. MMS must receive comments on or before November 5, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held at the Main Interior Building, Large Buffet Room, in the Cafeteria, Basement Floor, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240, telephone (202) 208-3512.

Mail written comments to: Minerals Management Service, Royalty Management Program, Rules and Publications Staff, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3021, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165; courier address is Building 85, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225; or e-Mail to David\_Guzy@mms.gov.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** MMS held public workshops and meetings in the oil producing areas of the U.S. where the issues and alternatives about oil valuation have been discussed. Participants at these earlier workshops and meetings requested more time to submit comments. Also, we received requests to hold an additional workshop in the Washington, D.C. area. Accordingly, a workshop is now scheduled for October 27 in Washington, D.C. The public is invited, without advance registration, to further discuss the alternatives. We encourage members of the public to participate in a discussion of the alternatives. For building security measures, each person will be required to present a picture identification to gain entry to the workshop. In order to allow for sufficient time to comment on the proposed alternatives, the comment period is extended to November 5, 1997.

Dated October 17, 1997.

**Lucy Querques Denett,**

*Associate Director for Royalty Management.*

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