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Beginning February 2009, the Minerals Management Service (MMS) will distribute a monthly series of brief facts and statistics. It is our intent that this information will be helpful to you during the 111th Congressional legislative session. **MMS Fast Facts** will provide a snapshot of information associated with the bureau's programs and activities.

The MMS, an agency within the U.S. Department of the Interior, is responsible for managing the Nation's oil, natural gas, and other energy and mineral resources on the Federal Outer Continental Shelf (OSC) and revenues generated from Federal lands (onshore and offshore) and on behalf of Native Americans.

Through the Offshore Energy and Minerals Management program, MMS manages the energy and mineral resources on the Federal OSC, providing 27 percent of America's domestic oil production and 14 percent of domestic natural gas production. Its alternative energy program for the OCS represents a new frontier for the Nation's energy portfolio.

Through its Minerals Revenue Management program, MMS manages the collection, verification, and disbursement of revenues averaging over \$13 billion annually for the Nation, States, and American Indians.

We invite you to visit MMS's website at http://www.mms.gov/ to learn more about the agency's role and contributions to the nation's economic well-being and energy security as Congress considers its energy legislative agenda. To assist you with specific areas of interest, below is a list of web links to some of MMS's activities.

Offshore Energy and Minerals Management Program http://www.mms.gov/offshore/

5-Year Oil and Gas Leasing Program http://www.mms.gov/5-year/ Virginia Lease Sale 220 http://www.mms.gov/offshore/220.htm

 $OCS\ Resource\ Evaluations\ \underline{http://www.mms.gov/revaldiv/RedNatAssessment.htm}$

 $Alternative\ Energy\ \underline{http://www.mms.gov/offshore/AlternativeEnergy/index.htm}$

Environmental Studies Program http://www.mms.gov/eppd/sciences/esp/index.htm
Coastal Impact Assistance Program http://www.mms.gov/offshore/ciapmain.htm

Minerals Revenue Management Program http://www.mrm.mms.gov/

Collection and Disbursement of Revenues

http://www.mrm.mms.gov/MRMWebStats/default.aspx

Royalty-in-Kind http://www.mrm.mms.gov/rikweb/Default.htm

Tribal Services http://www.mrm.mms.gov/TribServ/OIRAwho.htm

Revenue Reporting Procedures http://www.mrm.mms.gov/ReportingServices/RepServhome.htm

So, look for **MMS Fast Facts** in your inbox next month! If you have any questions regarding the programmatic information you receive, please contact Anita Gonzales-Evans, MMS, Office of Congressional Affairs at 202-208-3821.