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Memorandum

To: Director, Federal Indian Minerals Office, Farmington,
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Associate Director, Minerals Revenue Management

Subject: Delegation of Authority

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) is delegating the royalty management and administrative functions necessary to fulfill the mission of the Federal Indian Minerals Office (FIMO) in Farmington, New Mexico to the Director of FIMO. The FIMO was established as a permanent office on September 28, 2001. This delegation of authority replaces, in its entirety, the MMS FIMO delegation dated March 10, 1997.

More specifically, this authority transfers the royalty compliance and audit functions and related recordkeeping requirements necessary to administer Navajo oil and gas Indian allotted leases to the FIMO Director. The scope of your authority, responsibility, and accountability will be as defined by the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982; and by the Department of the Interior, MMS, and Minerals Revenue Management (MRM) rules, regulations, procedures, policy documents, directives, mission statements, and strategic goals governing or pertaining to Indian royalty management.

From an administrative standpoint, this delegation pertains exclusively to assigned MMS employees and will require coordination with MRM offices (in particular, the Indian Oil and Gas Compliance and Asset Management (Indian CAM) office in Lakewood, Colorado) so that duplication of effort does not occur. As a first-level supervisor for assigned MMS FIMO staff, you will perform all administrative and human resource requirements commensurate with this level of responsibility and as defined by the U.S. Department of the Interior Handbook, Delegations of Authority, Part 218.

Please refer any questions or concerns regarding this delegation to Ms. Theresa Walsh Bayani, Manager, Indian CAM at (303) 231-3701.

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