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*NPSL project area* means the NPSL tract, offshore facilities, and shore base facilities.

*NPSL property* means the NPSL tract, and materiel and offshore facilities acquired for use in NPSL operations and that are installed and/or used on the NPSL tract.

*NPSL tract* means a tract subject to an NPSL.

OCS lease means a Federal lease for oil and gas issued under the OCSLA.

OCS lease sale means the DOI proceeding by which leases for certain OCS tracts are offered for sale by competitive bidding and during which bids are received, announced, and recorded.

Offshore facilities means platform and support systems located offshore that are necessary to conduct NPSL operations, e.g., oil and gas handling facilities, living quarters, offices, shops, cranes, electrical supply equipment and systems, fuel and water storage and piping, heliport, marine docking installations, communication facilities, and navigation aids.

*Outside party* means any person who is not a lessee.

Person means person as defined in part 260 of this chapter.

*Personal expenses* means travel and other reasonable reimbursable expenses of lessee's employees.

Production means all oil, gas, or other hydrocarbon products produced, removed, saved, or sold from the NPSL property. Gas and liquids of all kinds are included in production. Production includes the allocated share of production from a unit of which the NPSL is a part.

*Production revenue* means the value of all production attributable to an NPSL property, which value is determined in accordance with §260.110(b) of this chapter.

Railway receiving point or recognized barge terminal means the location that a vendor would use in determining the sale price to the lessee of new materiel to be delivered to the NPSL project area.

*Reliable supply store* means a recognized source or common stock point for the particular materiel involved.

Shore base facilities means onshore facilities necessary for NPSL operations, including:

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(1) Shore base support facilities, e.g., a receiving and trans-shipment point for materiel, staging area for shuttling personnel to and from the NPSL tract, a communication, scheduling, and dispatching center; and

(2) Shore base production facilities, e.g., pumps, separating facilities, gas plants, and tankage for production from the NPSL tract.

Technical employees means those employees having special and specific engineering, geological or other professional skills, and whose primary function in NPSL operations is the handling and resolution of specific operating conditions and problems for the benefit of NPSL operations.

*Tract* means land located on the OCS that is offered for lease through an OCS lease sale and that is identified by a leasing map or an official protraction diagram prepared by DOI.

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### §220.003 Information collection.

(a) The information collection requirements of this part have been approved by OMB under 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. and assigned OMB Clearance Number 1010-0073. The information will be used to determine all allowable direct and allocable joint costs incurred during the term of the lease, appropriate overhead allowances permitted on these costs pursuant to §220.012, and allowances for capital recovery calculated pursuant to §220.020. The information collection is mandatory in accordance with the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982, 30 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.

(b) Public reporting burden is estimated to average 16 hours for each annual and monthly lease report, including time spent reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing burden, to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, Minerals Management Service, 281 Elden Street,

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Herndon, Virginia 22070; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project 1010– 0073, Washington, DC 20503.

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#### §220.010 NPSL capital account.

(a) For each NPSL tract, an NPSL capital account shall be established and maintained by the lessee for NPSL operations. The NPSL capital account shall include debit entries for all allow-able direct and allocable joint costs incurred during the term of the lease, appropriate overhead allowances permitted on these costs pursuant to §220.012, and allowances for capital recovery calculated pursuant to §220.020. The NPSL capital account shall be credited with production revenues attributable to the NPSL and any other credits arising from NPSL activities.

(b) The NPSL capital account shall be kept on an accrual basis.

#### §220.011 Schedule of allowable direct and allocable joint costs and credits.

The costs and credits specified in paragraphs (a) through (p) of this section may be charged direct, or allocated to NPSL operations, as appropriate, in accordance with §220.014.

(a) *Lease rental*. The rent paid by the lessee for the NPSL tract is allowable.

(b) *Labor*. (1)(i) Salaries and wages of lessee's field employees, first level supervisors and technical employees employed in the NPSL project area in NPSL operations are allowable if such costs are not charged under paragraph (g) of this section.

(ii) Salaries and wages of technical employees within technical branches of the lessee's organization who are either temporarily or permanently assigned to, and directly employed in NPSL operations are allowable provided that such employees work "full time" on some particular aspect of NPSL operations or some specific technical problem. Excluded from this category are employees assigned a role in NPSL operations as a duty collateral with other duties that do not directly benefit NPSL operations. (iii) Salaries and wages of technical employees within technical branches of the lessee's organization who are assigned technical tasks directly related to NPSL operations may be allowable. Costs may be charged to the NPSL if supported by adequate time records showing the nature of the task and the hours spent on that task.

(2) Lessee's cost of allowed employee absence paid to employees whose salaries and wages are chargeable to NPSL operations under paragraphs (b)(1) (i) and (ii) of this section are allowable.

(3) Expenditures or contributions made pursuant to assessments imposed by governmental authority that are applicable to lessee's costs chargeable to NPSL operations under paragraphs (b)(1) (i) and (ii) and (b)(2) of this section are allowable.

(4) Reasonable personal expenses, including allowable relocation costs of employees whose salaries and wages are chargeable to NPSL operations under paragraphs (b)(1) (i) and (ii) of this section and that are paid by the lessee or for which the employees are reimbursed under the lessee's normal practice are allowable except as limited by §220.013(g).

(i) Allowable relocation costs include:

(A) Travel expenses, including transportation, lodging, subsistence, and reasonable incidental expenses of the employee and members of his immediate family and transportation of his household and personal effects to the new location.

(B) Other necessary and reasonable expenses normally incident to relocation, such as costs of cancelling an unexpired lease, disconnecting and reinstalling household applicances, and purchases of insurance against damages to or loss of personal property are allowable. Costs of cancelling an unexpired lease shall not exceed three times the monthly rental.

(C) Closing costs (*i.e.*, brokerage fees, legal fees, appraisal fees, etc.) for the sale of the employee's actual residence when notified of the transfer are allowable; and

(D) Continuing costs of ownership of the vacant former actual residence being sold, such as continuing mortgage principal and interest payments,