

response to the **Federal Register** notice and the comment was not germane to the collection of information.

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 7, 2010.

Public Comment Procedures: 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.

BOEMRE Information Collection Clearance Officer: Arlene Bajusz (202) 208-7744.

Dated: August 30, 2010.

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Acting Chief, Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Management, Regulation and Enforcement

[Docket No. MMS-2010-OMM-0012]

BOEMRE Information Collection Activity: 1010-0086, Sulphur Operations, Extension of a Collection; Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of extension of an information collection (1010-0086).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR 250, subpart P, Sulphur Operations. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

DATES: Submit written comments by October 7, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments by either fax (202) 395-5806 or e-mail (*OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov*) directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, *Attention:* Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1010-0086). Please also submit a copy of your comments to BOEMRE by any of the means below.

- *Electronically:* Go to *http://www.regulations.gov*. In the entry titled "Enter Keyword or ID," enter docket ID MMS-2010-OMM-0012 then click search. Follow the instructions to submit public comments and view supporting and related materials available for this collection. The BOEMRE will post all comments.

- *E-mail:* *cheryl.blundon@boemre.gov*. Mail or hand-carry comments to: Department of the Interior; Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement; *Attention:* Cheryl Blundon; 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference ICR 1010-0086 in your comment and include your name and return address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch, (703) 787-1607. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulations that require the subject collection of information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 30 CFR 250, subpart P, Sulphur Operations.

OMB Control Number: 1010-0086.

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 (Secretary) to prescribe rules and regulations to manage the mineral resources of the OCS. Such rules and regulations will apply to all operations conducted under a lease, right-of-use and easement, and pipeline right-of-way. Operations on the OCS must preserve, protect, and develop mineral resources in a manner that is consistent with the need to make such resources available to meet the Nation's energy needs as rapidly as possible; to balance orderly energy resource development with protection of human, marine, and coastal environments; to ensure the public a fair and equitable return on the resources of the OCS; and to preserve and maintain free enterprise competition.

Section 5(a) of the OCS Lands Act requires the Secretary to prescribe rules and regulations "to provide for the

prevention of waste, and conservation of the natural resources of the Outer Continental Shelf, and the protection of correlative rights therein" and to include provisions "for the prompt and efficient exploration and development of a lease area." These authorities and responsibilities are among those delegated to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE) to ensure that operations in the OCS will meet statutory requirements; provide for safety and protection of the environment; and result in diligent exploration, development, and production of OCS leases. This ICR addresses the regulations at 30 CFR 250, subpart P, Sulphur Operations, and any associated supplementary Notices to Lessees and Operators (NLTs) intended to provide clarification, description, or explanation of these regulations.

Currently, BOEMRE regulates one sulphur lease on the OCS, but it is not active. Therefore, this information collection and its relevant hours represent one respondent.

Regulations implementing these responsibilities are under 30 CFR 250, subpart P. Responses are mandatory. No questions of a sensitive nature are asked. The BOEMRE protects information considered proprietary according to 30 CFR 250.197, "Data and information to be made available to the public or for limited inspection," and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR 2).

The BOEMRE uses the information collected to ascertain the condition of drilling sites for the purpose of preventing hazards inherent in sulphur drilling and production operations and to evaluate the adequacy of equipment and/or procedures to be used during the conduct of drilling, well-completion, well-workover, and production operations. The BOEMRE uses the information to:

- Ascertain that a discovered sulphur deposit can be classified as capable of production in paying quantities.

- Ensure accurate and complete measurement of production to determine the amount of sulphur royalty payments due the United States; and that the sale locations are secure, production has been measured accurately, and appropriate follow-up actions are initiated.

- Review expected oceanographic and meteorological conditions to ensure the integrity of the drilling unit (this information is submitted only if it is not otherwise available).

- Review hazard survey data to ensure that the lessee or operator will

not encounter geological conditions that present a hazard to operations.

- Ensure the adequacy and safety of firefighting plans; the drilling unit is fit for the intended purpose; and the adequacy of casing for anticipated conditions.
- Review log entries of crew meetings to verify that crew members are properly trained.
- Review drilling, well-completion, well-workover diagrams and procedures, as well as production operation procedures to ensure the safety of the proposed sulphur drilling, well-completion, well-workover and proposed production operations.

- Monitor environmental data during sulphur operations in offshore areas where such data are not already available to provide a valuable source of information to evaluate the performance of drilling rigs under various weather and ocean conditions. This information is necessary to make reasonable determinations regarding safety of operations and environmental protection.

Frequency: Occasional; varies by section.

Description of Respondents: Currently there are no active OCS sulphur lease operators. Our estimates are based on

expected responses for one potential respondent.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: The estimated annual hour burden for this information collection is a total of 903 hours. The following chart details the individual components and estimated hour burdens. In calculating the burdens, we assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities. We consider these to be usual and customary and took that into account in estimating the burden.

Citation 30 CFR 250	Reporting and recordkeeping requirement	Hour burden	Average number of annual responses	Annual burden hours
Submittals/Notifications				
1600; 1617	Submit exploration or development and production plan	Burden covered under (1010-0151)		0
1617; 1618; 1619(b); 1622.	Submit forms MMS-123 (Application for Permit to Drill), MMS-124 (Application for Permit to Modify), Form MMS-125 (End of Operations Report).	Burden covered under (1010-0141)		0
1605(b)(3)	Submit and/or resubmit data and information on fitness of drilling unit.	4	1 submission	4
1605(d)	Submit results of additional surveys and soil borings upon request*	1	1 submission	1
1605(f)	Submit application for installation of fixed drilling platforms or structures.	Burden covered under (1010-0149).		0
1608	Submit well casing and cementing plan or modification	5	1 plan	5
1619(c), (d), (e)	Submit copies of records, logs, reports, charts, etc., upon request ..	1	8 submissions	8
1623(b), (d)	Submit application for design and installation features of sulphur production facilities and fuel gas safety system; certify new installation conforms to approved design.	4	1 application	4
1630(a)(6)	Notify BOEMRE of pre-production test and inspection of safety system and commencement of production.	2 notifications	1
1633(b)	Submit application for method of production measurement	2	1 application	2
Subtotal	15 responses		25
Requests				
1603(a)	Request determination whether sulphur deposit can produce in paying quantities.	1	1 request	1
1605(e)(5)	Request copy of directional survey (by holder of adjoining lease)* ..	1	1 request	1
1607	Request establishment, amendment, or cancellation of field rules for drilling, well-completion, or well-workover.	8	2 requests	16
1610(d)(7+8)	Request exception to ram-type blowout preventer (BOP) system components rated working pressure.	1	1 request	1
1611(b); 1625(b)	Request exception to water-rated working pressure to test ram-type and annular BOPs and choke manifold.	1	1 request	1
1611(f); 1625(f)	Request exception to recording pressure conditions during BOP tests on pressure charts.*	1	1 request	1
1612	Request exception to §§ 250.408/250.462 requirements for well-control drills.*	1	1 request	1
1615	Request exception to blind-shear ram or pipe rams and inside BOP to secure wells.	1	1 request	1
1629(b)(3)	Request approval of firefighting systems; post firefighting system diagram.	4	1 request	4
1600 thru 1634 ..	General departure and/or alternative compliance requests not specifically covered elsewhere in subpart P.	2	1 request	2
Subtotal	11 responses		29
Record/Retain				
1604(f)	Check traveling-block safety device for proper operation weekly and after each drill-line slipping; enter results in log.	1/4	1 lessee × 52 wks × 2 rigs = 104.	26
1605(c)	Report oceanographic, meteorological, and drilling unit performance data upon request.*	1	1 report	1

Citation 30 CFR 250	Reporting and recordkeeping requirement	Hour burden	Average number of annual reponses	Annual burden hours
1609(a)	Pressure test casing; record time, conditions of testing, and test results in log.	2	1 lessee × 60 tests/records = 60.	120
1611(d)(3); 1625(d)(3). 1611(f), (g); 1625(f), (g).	Record in driller's report the date, time, and reason for postponing pressure testings. Conduct tests, actuations, inspections, maintenance, and crew drills of BOP systems at least weekly; record results in driller's report; retain records for 2 years following completion of drilling activity.	10 minutes	1 lessee × 6 recordings = 6.	1
1613(d)	Pressure test diverter sealing element/valves weekly; actuate diverter sealing element/valves/control system every 24 hours; test diverter line for flow every 24 hours; record test times and results in driller's report.	6	1 lessee × 52 weeks = 52.	312
1616(c)	Retain training records for lessee and drilling contractor personnel	2	1 lessee (daily/ weekly during drilling) × 2 rigs × 52 weeks = 104.	208
1619(a); 1623(c)	Retain records for each well and all well operations for 2 years; calculate well-control fluid volume and post near operators' station.	Burden covered under 1010-0128.	0.	
1621	Conduct safety meetings prior to well-completion or well-workover operations; record date and time.	12	1 lessee	12
1628(b), (d)	Maintain information on approved design and installation features for the life of the facility.	1	1 lessee × 50 meetings/ records = 50.	50
1629(b)(1)(ii)	Retain pressure-recording charts used to determine operating pressure ranges for 2 years.	1	1 lessee	1
1630(b)	Maintain records for each safety device installed for 2 years; make available for review.	12	1 lessee	12
1631	Conduct safety device training prior to production operations and periodically thereafter; record date and time.	1	1 lessee	1
1634(b)	Report evidence of mishandling of produced sulphur or tampering or falsifying any measurement of production.	1	1 lessee × 52 train/records × 2 rigs = 104. 1 report	104
Subtotal			486 responses	849
Total Burden			512 responses	903

*We included a minimal burden, but it has not been necessary to request these data and/or no submissions received for many years.

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 March 30, 2010, we published a **Federal Register** notice (75 FR 15718) announcing that we would submit this ICR to OMB for approval. The notice provided the required 60-day comment period. In addition, § 250.199 provides the OMB control number for the information collection requirements imposed by the 30 CFR 250 regulations. The regulations also inform the public that they may comment at any time on the collections of information and provide 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 7, 2010.

Public Availability of Comments: Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

BOEMRE Information Collection Clearance Officer: Arlene Bajusz (703) 787-1025.

Dated: August 30, 2010.

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Acting Chief, Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

[Docket ID: MMS-2010-OMM-0027]

BOEMRE Information Collection Activity: 1010-NEW, Upcoming Projects Considering the Use of Outer Continental Shelf Sand, Gravel, and Shell Resources for Coastal Restoration and/or Beach Nourishment; NEW Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of a new information collection (1010-NEW).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), BOEMRE is inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request (ICR) concerns the paperwork requirements that respondents will submit to BOEMRE to obtain OCS sand, gravel, and shell resources for use in shore protection and beach and coastal restoration, which is considered a noncompetitive negotiated agreement program.

DATES: Submit written comments by November 8, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain information pertaining to this notice, contact: Colleen Finnegan at (703) 787-1275. Marine Minerals Program information and procedures for obtaining sand, gravel, and shell resources can be found on the BOEMRE Web site <http://www.boemre.gov/sandandgravel> or by contacting the Marine Minerals Program at (703) 787-1215.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods listed below.

- *Electronically:* go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the entry titled "Enter Keyword or ID," enter docket ID MMS-2010-OMM-0027 then click search. Follow the instructions to submit public comments and view supporting and related materials

available for this collection. The BOEMRE will post all comments.

- E-mail cheryl.blundon@boemre.gov. Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement; Attention: Cheryl Blundon; 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference ICR 1010-NEW in your comment and include your name and return address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Upcoming Projects Considering the Use of Outer Continental Shelf Sand, Gravel, and Shell Resources for Coastal Restoration and/or Beach Nourishment.

OMB Control Number: 1010-NEW.
Abstract: The BOEMRE, under the authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior, is authorized pursuant to section 8(k)(2) of the OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(k)(2)) to convey rights to Outer Continental Shelf sand, gravel, and shell resources by noncompetitive negotiated agreement (NNA) for use in shore protection and beach and coastal restoration, or for use in construction projects funded in whole or part by or authorized by the Federal Government.

Background

Since 1995, 22 shore protection or beach and coastal restoration projects have been completed using OCS sand resources. Recently, the program has seen an increase in projects and need for OCS resources due to the decreasing amounts of sand located in state waters. Because of this increase, the BOEMRE needed to develop a mechanism to plan for future projects and anticipated workload. Therefore, the BOEMRE will issue an annual call for information about resources and locations from interested parties to develop an annual NNA Project Schedule. The NNA Project Schedule will help BOEMRE determine appropriate future resource allocation, conduct environmental analyses, develop NNAs, and meet all necessary environmental and legal requirements.

The BOEMRE has developed Proposed NNA Project Schedules for 2012 and 2013, based on information from a general solicitation of interest. This ICR addresses the additional information needed from States, local governments, Federal agencies, environmental and other interest organizations, and all other interested parties to finalize the 2012 and 2013 NNA Project Schedules.

Given staff and funding resources currently available, the BOEMRE has determined it can process a maximum of six marine minerals requests per

calendar year off the Atlantic and Florida coasts, two projects off the Gulf of Mexico coast, and two projects off the Pacific Coast. In the event the number of requested projects exceeds these limits, the BOEMRE will request the relevant states to prioritize their own projects based on several criteria including likelihood of project funding and progress of environmental work. After evaluating State responses and BOEMRE resources, BOEMRE plans to publish the Final 2012 NNA Project Schedule in November 2011.

Information Submittal Procedures: The BOEMRE seeks information pertaining to upcoming shore protection and beach and coastal restoration projects that may consider the use of OCS material. The call for information will request interested parties to submit, in writing, a description of their proposed projects for which OCS resources will be used. The description must include the offshore borrow sites if known, the estimated date of construction, a short description of current project funding, and the name of a primary point of contact with that person's mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address, as well as any additional information concerning the status of the project that would be useful to the BOEMRE. This information may include detailed maps and coordinates of desired sand resources and sites that would be nourished, a description of the environmental documents that have been completed to date concerning any portion of the project, and a description of the status of Federal, State, and/or local permits required for the project.

We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2). No items of a sensitive nature are collected. Responses are required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency: Annually.

Description of Respondents: Potential respondents comprise 9 states and 50 counties.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: The BOEMRE is requesting approximately 95 annual burden hours. In calculating the burdens, we assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities. We consider these to be usual and customary and took that into account in estimating the burden.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Non-Hour Cost Burden: We have identified no non-hour