facilities has a direct impact on royalty reported and paid under 30 CFR 1206.153, BOEMRE has begun to inspect measurement devices at plants and separation facilities that process production from Federal leases in the Gulf of Mexico Region for compliance with established standards governing gas and liquid hydrocarbon production measurement. We have recently completed the first phase of our inspection program and will share our findings with the operators of the measurement devices at these facilities. The findings will also be made available upon request to lessees and operators who may have interest in one or more specific gas plants. In the future, we will inspect these facilities again to determine if previously observed problems have been rectified.

The BOEMRE recognizes that royalty reporting on processed gas volumes at the tailgate of an onshore gas plant is a prevalent practice in the Gulf of Mexico. To better fulfill our statutory duty to accurately determine oil and gas volumes upon which royalties are determined, we issue this notice to remind lessees and operators of their obligations to ensure accurate measurement of processed gas for which royalty is reported under 30 CFR 1206.153.

The relevant regulations found in 30 CFR part 250, subpart L, impose responsibility for compliance with gas measurement rules on lessees, operators, and lessees’ representatives, including lessees who process natural gas extracted from a Federal lease in the Gulf of Mexico Region at an onshore gas plant, separation facility, or other processing facility before paying royalties on said gas. To ensure accurate measurement of processed gas, lessees and operators are responsible for working with the operators of gas plants, separation facilities, or other processing facilities to ensure the maintenance, operation, and site security in accordance with the standards set forth in 30 CFR 250.1202, 250.1203, and 250.1205, of any measurement equipment, irrespective of location or ownership, used for the measurement of production from Federal leases.

Title 30 CFR 250.1203(e) provides:

If natural gas from a Federal lease on the OCS is transferred to a gas plant before royalty determination:

(1) You must provide the following to the Regional Supervisor upon request:

(i) A copy of the monthly gas processing plant allocation statement; and

(ii) Gross heating values of the inlet and residue streams when not reported on the gas plant statement.

(2) You must permit BOEMRE to inspect the measurement and sampling equipment of natural gas processing plants that process Federal production.

Accordingly, you are given notice that BOEMRE may request assistance from lessees or operators to gain access to any gas plant, separation facility, or other processing facility which initially denies access to BOEMRE inspection personnel, for the purpose of:

• Inspecting the measurement and sampling equipment of natural gas processing plants that process Federal production;

• Remediating, in a timely manner, any observed inconsistency with gas measurement and site security standards set forth in 30 CFR 250.1202, 250.1203, and 250.1205; and

• Maintaining onsite records and providing copies, when requested by BOEMRE, of monthly allocation statements, meter or tank run tickets, gas meter volume statements, meter proving reports, or other documentation related to gas measurement.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 Statement

The collections of information referred to in this notice are contained in 30 CFR part 250 subpart L, 30 CFR part 212 subpart B, and 30 CFR part 1206 subpart D. The Office of Management and Budget has approved the information collection requirements in these regulations under Office of Management and Budget Control Numbers 1010–0051, 1010–0136, and 1010–0139. This notice does not impose additional information collection requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.


Robert P. LaBelle,
Acting Associate Director for Offshore Energy and Minerals Management.


Greg J. Gould,
Director, Office of Natural Resources Revenue.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement
Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), Scientific Committee (SC)

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

ACTION: Notice of Vacancies and Request for Nominations.

SUMMARY: BOEMRE seeks interested and qualified individuals to serve on its OCS SC during the period of June 24, 2011 through June 23, 2014. The initial 3-year term may be renewed for up to one additional term. The OCS SC is chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) to advise the Secretary of the Interior through the Director of the BOEMRE on the appropriateness, feasibility, and scientific value of the OCS Environmental Studies Program (ESP) and environmental aspects of the offshore energy and marine minerals programs. The ESP, initiated to support the U.S. Department of the Interior’s offshore oil and gas leasing program and authorized by the OCS Lands Act as amended (Section 20), is administered by the BOEMRE. The program covers a wide range of field and laboratory studies in biology, chemistry, and physical oceanography, as well as studies of the social and economic impacts of OCS energy and marine minerals development. Currently, the work is conducted through award of competitive contracts and interagency and cooperative agreements. The OCS SC reviews the relevance of the information being produced by the ESP and may recommend changes in its scope, direction, and emphasis.

The OCS SC comprises distinguished scientists in appropriate disciplines of the biological, physical, chemical, and socioeconomic sciences. Currently, the OCS SC has 15 vacancies in the following disciplines: Biological oceanography/marine biology; social science; marine archaeology; and physical oceanography. The selections are based on maintaining disciplinary expertise in all areas of research, as well as geographic balance. Demonstrated knowledge of the scientific issues related to OCS oil and gas development or renewable energy is essential. The Secretary of the Interior makes selections on the basis of these factors.

Ethics Responsibilities of Members

Members are appointed as special Government employees and are subject to the financial disclosure provisions of
complaint alleges violations of section 337 based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain automated media library devices by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,328,766 (the ‘766 patent’) and U.S. Patent No. 6,353,581 (the ‘581 patent’). The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337.

The complaint requests that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue an exclusion order and cease and desist orders.

**ADDRESSES:**

The complaint, except for any confidential information contained therein, is available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Room 112, Washington, DC 20436, telephone 202–205–2000. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on 202–205–1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at http://www.usitc.gov. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at http://edis.usitc.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**


**Authority:** The authority for institution of this investigation is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and in section 210.10 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.10 (2010).

**Scope of Investigation:** Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on November 17, 2010, ordered that—

(1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain automated media library devices that infringe one or more of claims 1–11 of the ‘766 patent and claims 1, 2, 5–12, and 15–19 of the ‘581 patent, and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337;

(2) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:

(a) The complainant is: Overland Storage, Inc., 9112 Spectrum Center Blvd., San Diego, CA 92123.

(b) The respondents are the following entities alleged to be in violation of section 337, and are the parties upon which the complaint is to be served:

BDT AG, Saline 29, 78628 Rottweil, Germany.

BDT–Solutions GmbH & Co. KG, Saline 29, 78628 Rottweil, Germany.

BDT Automation Technology (Zhuhai FTZ), Co., Ltd., No. 51 Free Trade Zone, Zhuhai Guangdong, P.R. China (Postcode 519030).


BDT Products, Inc., 17222 Armstrong Ave., Irvine, CA 92614.

Dell Inc., One Dell Way, Round Rock, TX 78682.

International Business Machines Corp., 1 New Orchard Road, Armonk, NY 10504–1722.


Responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation must be submitted by the named respondents in accordance with section 210.13 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.13. Pursuant to 19 CFR 201.16(d)–(e) and 210.13(a), such responses will be considered by the Commission if received not later than 20 days after the date of service by the Commission of the complaint and the notice of investigation. Extensions of time for submitting responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation will not be granted unless good cause therefor is shown.

Failure of a respondent to file a timely response to each allegation in the complaint and in this notice may be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right to appear and contest the