back rental, accruing from the date of termination, and may reinstate such lease in accordance with the provisions of section 31(c) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 188(c)): Provided, That it is shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the failure to pay timely was either justifiable or not due to lack of reasonable diligence.

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Private Law 90-293

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to consider a petition for reinstatement of an oil and gas lease (Wyoming 0280122).

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior shall receive, consider, and act upon any petition of Mountain Fuel Supply Company, a Utah corporation, filed within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this Act, for reinstatement of United States oil and gas lease (Wyoming 0280122), and accompanied by the required rental, including back rental, accruing from the date of termination, and may reinstate such lease in accordance with the provisions of section 31(c) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 188(c)): Provided, That it is shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the failure to pay timely was either justifiable or not due to lack of reasonable diligence.

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Private Law 90-294

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reinstate oil and gas lease Las Cruces 063610.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior shall receive, consider, and act upon a petition of Elwyn C. Hale, lessee of the terminated oil and gas lease (Las Cruces 063610), for reinstatement of said lease if filed within one hundred and eighty days after the effective date of this Act, together with the required rental, including back rental, accruing from the date of termination of the lease. The Secretary may reinstate said lease in accordance with the provisions of section 31(c) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 188(c)): Provided, That it is shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the failure to pay timely was either justifiable or not due to lack of reasonable diligence. If the Secretary grants a reinstatement of the terminated lease and finds that such reinstatement will not afford the lessee a reasonable opportunity to continue operations under the lease, he may extend the term of the lease for a period not to exceed two years from the date the Secretary grants the petition.

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