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98th Congress

An Act

To provide for the conveyance by the Secretary of Energy of surface rights to certain parcels of land located on Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 2 in the State of California on which private residences are located.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. (a) Subject to section 2, the Secretary of Energy (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”) shall make the conveyances described in subsection (b) in accordance with this Act. The interest of the United States to be conveyed in each instance is all surface rights of the United States in the parcel of land involved.

(b) Each parcel of land referred to in a paragraph of this subsection is located on Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 2, in the northwest quarter of section 12, township 32 south, range 23 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, Kern County, California, and is more particularly described in a survey dated November 5, 1982, on file in the Naval Petroleum Reserves in California Office of the Office of Naval Petroleum and Oil Shale Reserves of the Department of Energy. The conveyances referred to in subsection (a) are the following:

(1) Conveyance to Robert Lee Starkey of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 110, consisting of 0.41 acres, more or less.

(2) Conveyance to Seth Fowler of Glendale, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 118½, consisting of 0.34 acres, more or less.

(3) Conveyance to Ernest Olaf Johnson and Patricia Louise Johnson of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 815, consisting of 0.11 acres, more or less.

(4) Conveyance to Howard Byron Gray and Ruth Alice Gray of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 816, consisting of 0.03 acres, more or less.

(5) Conveyance to Herbert Henry Mitchell and Alma Iola Mitchell of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 817, consisting of 0.30 acres, more or less.

(6) Conveyance to Wilma Arlene Kelly of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 819, consisting of 0.20 acres, more or less.

(7) Conveyance to Elton D. Divelbiss of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 820, consisting of 0.60 acres, more or less.

(8) Conveyance to Mildred E. Phillips of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 823, consisting of 0.35 acres, more or less.

(9) Conveyance to Daniel Dwayne Wilson and Linda Sue Wilson of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 825, consisting of 0.41 acres, more or less.

(10) Conveyance to Ralph Elmer Knowles and Jenita Laura Knowles of Taft, California, of the parcel of land known as lot 900, consisting of 0.37 acres, more or less.

SEC. 2. As payment for the conveyance by the United States under a paragraph of section 1(b), the individuals referred to in such paragraph shall pay to the United States the amount determined by
the Secretary to be the fair market value (as of the date of the conveyance) of the rights conveyed.

SEC. 3. (a) The Secretary shall make a conveyance described in a paragraph of section 1(b) (subject to payment under section 2 with respect to such conveyance) not later than the end of the three-year period beginning on the date of the receipt by the Secretary of an application for such conveyance by the individuals referred to in such paragraph. Any such application shall be made in such form and in accordance with such procedures as the Secretary prescribes.

(b) Not later than the end of the 90-day period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall prescribe the form and procedures for an application under subsection (a) and shall notify each individual referred to in a paragraph of section 1(b) of such form and procedures. Such procedures shall require that any such application be submitted to the Secretary not later than the end of the 15-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 4. (a) Before the end of the 15-month period referred to in section 3(b), the Secretary may not take any action (including eviction) otherwise permitted under any law other than this Act with respect to a parcel of land described in section 1 in order to quiet title to such parcel. After the end of such period, the Secretary may not take any such action with respect to a parcel of land for which an application for conveyance has been submitted to the Secretary under section 3(a), but may take any such action with respect to any other parcel.

(b) Section 7431(a)(2) of title 10, United States Code, shall not apply to a conveyance under this Act.

(c) The Secretary may require such additional terms and conditions in connection with a conveyance under this Act as the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the interests of the United States.

SEC. 5. For purposes of this Act, the term “surface rights” means all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a parcel of land, excluding (1) the title and interest of the United States in all oil, gas, coal, and other mineral deposits in such parcel, and (2) the right of the United States to prospect for, mine, and remove such oil, gas, coal, and other minerals.


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To confer citizenship posthumously on Corporal Wladyslaw Staniszewski.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Corporal Wladyslaw Staniszewski, a national of Great Britain, who was killed in action on July 7, 1967, in the Republic of Vietnam while serving in the United States Marine Corps shall be held and considered to have been a citizen of the United States at the time of his death: Provided, That no benefits shall thereafter derive to survivors.