

Sec. 26, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 25 S., R. 14 E.,
 Sec. 19, lot 2.
 T. 26 S., R. 14 E.,
 Sec. 30, lot 4.
 T. 30 S., R. 14 W.,
 Sec. 5, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 24 S., R. 15 W.,
 Sec. 5, lot 1 and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 23, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 26 S., R. 18 W.,
 Sec. 20, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 25 S., R. 19 W.,
 Sec. 19, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 26 S., R. 19 W.,
 Sec. 35, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 27 S., R. 19 W.,
 Sec. 25, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 28 S., R. 19 W.,
 Sec. 20, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 25, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 27 S., R. 20 W.,
 Sec. 33, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 29 S., R. 20 W.,
 Sec. 1, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 27, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 21 S., R. 22 E.,
 Sec. 22, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 21 S., R. 24 E.,
 Sec. 19, lot 12.
 T. 22 S., R. 24 E.,
 Sec. 21, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 15 S., R. 25 E.,
 Sec. 21, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 (NMNM 42955)
 T. 17 S., R. 21 W.,
 Sec. 33, lot 3 and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 34, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 (NMNM 42956)
 T. 26 S., R. 14 W.,
 Sec. 27, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 28, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 26 S., R. 15 W.,
 Sec. 15, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 34, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 (NMNM 42957)
 T. 20 S., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 26, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 27, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 23 S., R. 26 E.,
 Sec. 8, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 (NMNM 42958)
 T. 15 S., R. 1 W.,
 Sec. 34, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 24 S., R. 19 W.,
 Sec. 35, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 7 S., R. 9 E.,
 Sec. 28, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 29, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 33, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 8 S., R. 9 E.,
 Sec. 7, lot 1.
 T. 10 S., R. 17 E.,
 Sec. 24, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 22 S., R. 24 E.,
 Sec. 31, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 The areas described aggregate
 approximately 4,792 acres.
 The total areas described in Paragraphs 1
 and 2 aggregate approximately 6,426 acres.
 3. The lands described below are
 either withdrawn for other purposes,

held in trust for the Jemez Pueblo, or no
 longer in Federal ownership:

T. 18 N., R. 1 E.,
 Sec. 5, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 17, lots 3 and 4.
 T. 23 N., R. 1 W.,
 Sec. 32, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 17 S., R. 3 E.,
 Sec. 11, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
 and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 12, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 9 S., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 26, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 11 S., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 14, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 14 S., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 20, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 15 S., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 3, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 16 S., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 17, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 20 S., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 26, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 27, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 21 S., R. 4 E.,
 Sec. 33, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 10 S., R. 5 E.,
 Sec. 17, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 10 S., R. 8 E.,
 Sec. 31, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 22 S., R. 8 E.,
 Sec. 8, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 17, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 30, lot 4.
 T. 21 S., R. 10 E.,
 Sec. 33, lot 2.
 T. 24 S., R. 10 E.,
 Sec. 34, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 25 S., R. 10 E.,
 Sec. 24, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 18 S., R. 19 W.,
 Sec. 6, lots 3, 4, and 5, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 T. 17 S., R. 21 W.,
 Sec. 33, lot 3 and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
 Sec. 34, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.
 The areas described aggregate
 approximately 1,775 acres.

4. At 10 a.m. on January 3, 2000, the
 lands described in Paragraph 1 and 2,
 excluding those described in Paragraph
 3, will be opened to the operation of the
 public land laws generally, subject to
 valid existing rights, the provisions of
 existing withdrawals, other segregations
 of record, and the requirements of
 applicable law. All valid applications
 received at or prior to 10 a.m. on
 January 3, 2000, shall be considered as
 simultaneously filed at that time. Those
 received thereafter shall be considered
 in the order of filing.

5. At 10 a.m. on January 3, 2000, the
 lands described in Paragraphs 1 and 2,
 excluding those described in Paragraph
 3, will be opened to nonmetalliferous
 mineral location and entry under the
 United States mining laws, subject to
 valid existing rights, the provisions of
 existing withdrawals, other segregations
 of record, and the requirements of
 applicable law. Appropriation of any of

the lands under the general mining laws
 prior to the date and time of restoration
 is unauthorized. Any such attempted
 appropriation, including attempted
 adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38
 (1994), shall vest no rights against the
 United States. Acts required to establish
 a location and to initiate a right of
 possession are governed by State law
 where not in conflict with Federal law.
 The Bureau of Land Management will
 not intervene in disputes between rival
 locators over possessory rights since
 Congress has provided for such
 determinations in local courts.

Dated: November 17, 1999.

John Berry,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-926-00-1420-BJ00]

Montana: Filing of Plat of Survey

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
 Montana State Office, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The plat of survey of the
 following described land, is scheduled
 to be officially filed in the Montana
 State Office, Billings, Montana, thirty
 (30) days from the date of this
 publication.

Tp. 7 N., R. 36 E.

The plat, representing the dependent
 resurvey of a portion of the
 subdivisional lines and the adjusted
 original meanders of the former banks of
 Islands A and B, in the Yellowstone
 River, lying within section 26 and the
 survey of the new meanders of the
 present banks of Islands A and B, in the
 Yellowstone River, lying within section
 26 and certain division of accretion
 lines, Township 7 North, Range 36 East,
 Principal Meridian, Montana, was
 accepted September 1, 1999.

This survey was requested by the
 Powder River Resource Area office,
 Miles City District and was necessary to
 identify the boundary lines of Federal
 Interest Lands.

A copy of the preceding described
 plat will be immediately placed in the
 open files and will be available to the
 public as a matter of information.

If a protest against this survey, as
 shown on this plat, is received prior to
 the date of the official filing, the filing
 will be stayed pending consideration of
 the protest. This particular plat will not
 be officially filed until the day after all

protests have been accepted or dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, 5001 Southgate Dr., P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800.

Dated: November 19, 1999.

Daniel T. Mates,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submitted for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection request.

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), we are notifying you that an information collection request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. We are also soliciting your comments on the ICR describing the information collection, its expected costs and burdens, and how the data will be collected.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 3, 2000.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Interior Department (OMB Control Number 1010-0104), 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503; telephone (202) 395-7340. You should also send copies of these comments to us. Our mailing address for written comments regarding this information collection is David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and Publications Staff, Minerals Management Service, Royalty Management Program, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3021, Denver, Colorado 80225. Courier or overnight delivery address is Building 85, Room A-613, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225. Email address is RMP.comments@mms.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURE: Your comments and copies of your comments may be submitted to the addresses listed above. Please submit Internet comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of

encryption. Please also include Attn: Certification for Not Performing Accounting for Comparison (Dual Accounting), Form MMS-4410, OMB Control Number 1010-0104, and your name and return address in your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your Internet message, contact David S. Guzy directly at (303) 231-3432.

We will post public comments after the comment period closes on the Internet at <http://www.rmp.mms.gov>. You may arrange to view paper copies of the comments by contacting David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and Publications Staff, telephone (303) 231-3432, FAX (303) 231-3385. Our practice is to make comments, including names and addresses of respondents, available for public review on the Internet and during regular business hours at our offices in Lakewood, Colorado.

Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the rulemaking record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the rulemaking record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis C. Jones, Rules and Publications Staff, phone (303) 231-3046, FAX (303) 231-3385, email Dennis.C.Jones@mms.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Certification for Not Performing Accounting for Comparison (Dual Accounting).

OMB Control Number: 1010-0104.

Abstract: The Secretary of the Interior is responsible for collecting royalties from leases producing minerals from leased Federal and Indian lands. The Secretary is required by various laws to manage the production of mineral resources on Indian lands and Federal onshore and offshore leases, to collect the royalties due, and to distribute the funds in accordance with those laws; we perform these royalty management functions for the Secretary.

On August 10, 1999, the Minerals Management Service (MMS) published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 43506) the notice of a final rulemaking titled

"Amendments to Gas Valuation Regulations for Indian Leases," with an effective date of January 1, 2000. In that Notice, MMS requires that lessees submit the Form MMS-4410, Certification For Not Performing Accounting for Comparison, when gas is never processed prior to entering the pipeline with an index located in an index zone or into a mainline pipeline not in an index zone.

The certification form is part of MMS's final rulemaking amending its regulations governing the valuation, for royalty purposes, of natural gas produced from Indian leases. The gas regulations apply to all gas production from Indian (tribal or allotted) oil and gas leases (except leases on the Osage Indian Reservation). The new regulations resulted from a negotiated rulemaking between Indian tribes and allottees, oil and gas industry, and Government.

Most Indian lease terms require accounting for comparison (dual accounting) when gas produced from the lease is processed. Under the rule, to not perform dual accounting, a lessee must certify, on Form MMS-4410, that the gas was never processed prior to entering the pipeline with an index located in an index zone or into a mainline pipeline not in an index zone. The lessee will be required to sign the certification form for each lease having production that is exempt from dual accounting. This is a one-time certification that will remain in effect until there is a change in lease status or ownership. This certification will allow MMS and the tribes to better monitor compliance with the dual accounting requirement of Indian leases.

In most cases, the lessee will know the disposition of the gas. If gas is sold at the wellhead, the lessee may have to consult with the purchaser of the gas to determine its disposition. The MMS or tribal auditors, Indian representatives, MMS's Royalty Valuation Division, and the Office of Indian Royalty Assistance, may use the information provided on the form.

The current OMB inventory of 5,412 hours is decreased to 2,880 hours. This adjusted decrease of 2,532 burden hours is the result of our originally overestimating the number of Indian leases that would be required to submit Form MMS-4410.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Companies that pay royalties on gas produced from tribal and allotted Indian leases.

Frequency of Response: One-time certification in effect until a change of lease status or ownership.