

August 20, 2002. Written comments may also be hand-delivered to the Joint Pipeline Office in Anchorage, Alaska, by 4 p.m. ADT on August 20, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be mailed to BLM TAPS Renewal EIS, Argonne National Laboratory EAD/900, 9700 S. Cass Avenue, Argonne, IL 60439. As an alternative, written comments can be hand-delivered to BLM TAPS Renewal Team in Anchorage at the Joint Pipeline Office 411 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 2 [Do not mail comments to this address]. Comments also can be submitted through the "Public Comment Form" feature on the TAPS Renewal EIS Web site at <http://tapseis.anl.gov>, by fax toll free to 1-866-542-5904, or by voice message toll free at 1-866-542-5903.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rob McWhorter at the Joint Pipeline Office, 411 W 4th Avenue, Suite 2, Anchorage, Alaska, phone 907-257-1355, e-mail [rmcwhort@jpo.doi.gov](mailto:rmcwhort@jpo.doi.gov), or visit the TAPS Renewal EIS Web site at <http://tapseis.anl.gov>.

**Withholding of Personal Information:** It is the BLM's practice to make comments, including names and addresses of commenters, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual commenters may request that we withhold their home address from the public comment record, and we will honor such requests to the extent allowable by law. Circumstances may also arise in which we would withhold from the public comment record a commenter'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.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The EIS is being prepared under authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701), as amended; the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321), as amended; the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508); and the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 185), as amended, including Title II—the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Authorization Act (43 U.S.C. 1651). Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, Illinois, is providing technical assistance and is preparing the DEIS

under supervision and direction by BLM.

#### DEIS Availability

To obtain an electronic copy:

- visit the TAPS Renewal EIS Web site at <http://tapseis.anl.gov> (available as downloadable and searchable pdf files),
- order a CD through the TAPS Renewal EIS Web site at <http://tapseis.anl.gov>

Hard copies of this voluminous document will be available at the following public reading rooms or can be requested through the TAPS Renewal EIS Web site at <http://tapseis.anl.gov>

#### Anchorage

- Alaska Resources Library; 3150 C Street, Suite 100
- Z.J. Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street
- Bureau of Land Management Public Room; 222 West 7th Avenue, #13
- State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources Public Information Center; 550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 1260

#### Barrow

Tuzzy Consortium Library  
Cordova Public Library

#### Fairbanks

- Fairbanks North Star Borough Public Library; 1215 Cowles Street
- Bureau of Land Management Public Room; 1150 University Avenue
- State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources Public Information Center; 3700 Airport Way

#### Glennallen

Bureau of Land Management;  
Glennallen Field Office

#### Juneau

Alaska State Library  
Valdez Public Library

#### Washington, DC

Department of the Interior Library;  
1849 C Street, NW

#### Meeting/Hearing Dates and Locations

Oral or written comments can be made at one of the following locations on the dates specified:

- Friday, July 26, 2002, 7 p.m. ADT: Cordova; Moose Lodge, 514 2nd Street
- Tuesday, July 30, 2002, 7 p.m. ADT: Valdez; Valdez Convention and Civic Center, Ballroom 1, 110 Clifton Drive
- Wednesday, July 31, 2002, 7 p.m. ADT: Glennallen; Copper River High School auditorium, Mile 186, Glenn Highway
- Monday, August 5, 2002, 7 p.m. ADT: Anchorage; Anchorage Hilton

Hotel, Denali Room, 500 West Third Avenue

- Tuesday, August 6, 2002, 7 p.m. ADT: Fairbanks; Chena River Convention Center, Conference Room/Main Hall A, 109 Clay Street
- Wednesday, August 7, 2002, 2 p.m. ADT: Minto, Minto Lodge
- Friday, August 9, 2002, 7 p.m. ADT: Barrow; Inupiat Heritage Center, multi-purpose room; 5421 Northstar Street (Inupiat translator)

The BLM seeks information and comments on the potential impacts discussed in the DEIS and additional data or information that would improve the analysis in the DEIS. BLM is also seeking comments on the subsistence evaluation in Appendix E of the DEIS.

**Linda S.C. Rundell,**

*Acting State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection, Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of an extension of a currently approved information collection (OMB Control Number 1010-0119).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are 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) is titled "Royalty-in-Kind (RIK) Determination of Need."

**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before September 3, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to Carol P. Shelby, Regulatory Specialist, Minerals Management Service, Minerals Revenue Management, P.O. Box 25165, MS 320B2, Denver, Colorado 80225. If you use an overnight courier service, our courier address is Building 85, Room A-614, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225. You may also e-mail your comments to us at [mrm.comments@mms.gov](mailto:mrm.comments@mms.gov). Include the title of the information collection and the OMB control number in the "Attention" line of your comment. Also include your name and return address. Submit electronic comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

If you do not receive a confirmation that we have received your e-mail, contact Ms. Shelby at (303) 231-3151.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Carol P. Shelby, telephone (303) 231-3151, FAX (303) 231-3385, e-mail [Carol.Shelby@mms.gov](mailto:Carol.Shelby@mms.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Royalty-in-Kind (RIK) Determination of Need.  
*OMB Control Number:* 1010-0119.  
*Bureau Form Number:* None.  
*Abstract:* The Department of the Interior (DOI) is responsible for matters relevant to mineral resource development on Federal and Indian lands and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). The Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) is responsible for managing the production of minerals from Federal and Indian lands and the OCS, collecting royalties from lessees who produce minerals, and distributing the funds collected in accordance with applicable laws. The Secretary has an Indian trust responsibility to manage Indian lands and seek advice and information from Indian beneficiaries. MMS performs the royalty management

functions and assists the Secretary in carrying out DOI's Indian trust responsibility.  
MMS, on behalf of the Secretary, also performs Determinations of Need prior to issuing a Notice of Availability of Sale in the **Federal Register** advising industry of a forthcoming RIK sale. The first step in this process is to issue a **Federal Register** notice requesting specific information from eligible refiners, such as: the location of their refinery; desirability of offshore versus onshore crude; type of crude desired (e.g., Wyoming Sweet); ability to obtain long-term supply of desired crude (with supporting documentation such as "denial" by major supplier); ability to obtain desired crude at fair market prices (with supporting documentation that desired oil was not available or equitably priced for the area or region in question); percentage of total refining capacity attributable to Federal oil versus other sources; etc. MMS uses feedback from refiners (or other interested parties, like lease owners or operators) to assess current marketplace conditions—i.e., whether small,

independent refiners have access to ongoing supplies of crude oil at equitable prices. If MMS determines that small refiners do not have adequate access to crude oil supplies, we will take the Government's royalty oil in kind and offer the oil for sale to small refiners.  
MMS is requesting OMB's approval to continue to collect this information. Without feedback from interested refiners regarding their recent marketplace experience in obtaining adequate crude oil supplies and whether those supplies are fairly priced, MMS cannot perform a reasonable or meaningful Determination of Need. Proprietary information that is submitted is protected, and there are no questions of a sensitive nature included in this information collection.  
*Frequency:* On occasion.  
*Estimated Number and Description of Respondents:* 25 small refiners.  
*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden:* 100 hours. The table below shows the breakdown of burden hours by CFR section and paragraph:

30 CFR section	Reporting requirement	Burden hours per response	Annual number of responses	Annual burden hours
208.4(a) and (d) .....	The Secretary may evaluate crude oil market conditions from time to time. * * * The Secretary will review these items [submitted by small refiners] and will determine whether eligible refiners have access to adequate supplies of crude oil * * * <i>Interim sales.</i> The potentially eligible refiners, individually or collectively, must submit documentation demonstrating that adequate supplies of crude oil at equitable prices are not available for purchase * * *.	4	25	100

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-hour Cost"*  
*Burden:* We have identified no "non-hour" cost burdens.  
*Comments:* The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Before submitting an ICR to OMB, PRA Section 3506(c)(2)(A) 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.  
The PRA also requires agencies to estimate the total annual reporting "non-hour cost" burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. We have not identified non-hour cost burdens for this information collection. If you have costs to generate, maintain, and disclose this information, you should comment and provide your total capital and startup cost components or annual operation, maintenance, and purchase of service components. You should describe the methods you use to estimate major cost factors, including system and technology acquisition, expected useful life of capital equipment, discount rate(s), and the period over which you incur costs. Capital and startup costs include, among other items, computers and software you purchase to prepare for collecting information; monitoring,

sampling, testing equipment; and record storage facilities. Generally, your estimates should not include equipment or services purchased: (i) before October 1, 1995; (ii) to comply with requirements not associated with the information collection; (iii) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the Government; or (iv) as part of customary and usual business or private practices.  
We will summarize written responses to this notice and address them in our ICR submission for OMB approval, including appropriate adjustments to the estimated burden. We will provide a copy of the ICR to you without charge upon request and the ICR will also be posted on our web site at [http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws\\_R\\_D/FRNotices/FRInfColl.htm](http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws_R_D/FRNotices/FRInfColl.htm).  
*Public Comment Policy.* We will post all comments in response to this notice on our web site at [http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws\\_R\\_D/InfoColl/InfoColCom.htm](http://www.mrm.mms.gov/Laws_R_D/InfoColl/InfoColCom.htm). We will also make copies of the comments available for

public review, including names and addresses of respondents, during regular business hours at our offices in Lakewood, Colorado. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the public 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 request that we withhold your name and/or address, 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.

*MMS Information Collection Clearance Officer:* Jo Ann Lauterbach, (202) 208-7744.

Dated: June 26, 2002.

**Lucy Querques Denett,**

*Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA")

Notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Acme Alloys et al.*, Civ. No. 02-2886 (WHW), was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey on June 6, 2002, ("De Minimis Consent Decree"). The De Minimis Consent Decree will resolve the liability of eleven parties against whom the United States asserted a claim on behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency under sections 106 and 107(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9670(a), for injunctive relief and recovery of costs incurred by the United States in connection with the NL Industries Superfund Site in Pedricktown, New Jersey. The De Minimis Consent Decree requires 11 generators of hazardous substances to pay \$460,000, which will be deposited into a special account to pay for response activities at the Site.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days

from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed De Minimis Consent Decree and Consent Order. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, PO Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States v. Acme Alloys, et al.*, DOJ Ref. #90-11-2-1075/2.

The proposed De Minimis Consent Decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, 502 Federal Building, 970 Broad Street (contact Assistant United States Attorney Susan Cassell); and the Region II Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866 (contact Assistant Regional Counsel, Damaris Cristiano). A copy of the proposed De Minimis Consent Decree may be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, PO Box 7611, Washington, DC. 20044-7611 or by faxing a request to Tonia Fleetwood, fax no. (202) 514-0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514-1547. In requesting a copy please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$9.00 (25 cents per page reproduction costs) for the De Minimis Consent Decree and Consent Order, payable to the U.S. Treasury.

**Ronald Gluck,**

*Assistant Section Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

In accordance with Departmental policy, the Department of Justice gives notice that a proposed consent decree with Fort James Operating Company ("Fort James") in the case captioned *United States and the State of Wisconsin v. Fort James Operating Company*, Civil Action No. 02-C-0602 (E.D. Wis.) was lodged with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin on June 20, 2002. The complaint filed in the case by the United States and the State of Wisconsin (the "Plaintiffs") alleges that Fort James is party liable for certain response costs associated with the release and threatened release of hazardous substances from facilities at or near the Fox River/Green Bay Site in

northeastern Wisconsin (the "Site"), pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*

The proposed consent decree sets forth the terms of a proposed settlement between the Plaintiffs and Fort James addressing both: (1) the claims for recovery of response costs that are included in the complaint; and (2) related claims for natural resource damages at the Site. The Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin and the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin are additional parties to the settlement, as Tribal trustees for injured natural resources at and near the Site.

Under the settlement, Fort James would agree to preserve more than 1000 acres of wildlife habitat in northeastern Wisconsin and pay an additional \$8.5 million for other restoration projects as compensation for injuries to natural resources caused by widespread polychlorinated biphenyl ("PCB") contamination at the Site. The Federal, State, and Tribal trustees that are parties to the Consent Decree have reviewed and approved the specific restoration projects described in an Appendix to the Consent Decree, and will jointly select future projects to be funded with additional money available under the settlement. In addition to its payments for restoration projects, Fort James would pay \$1.6 million to help offset natural resource damage assessment costs and certain cleanup-related response costs incurred by the United States and the State.

For a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, the Department of Justice will receive comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, United States Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States and the State of Wisconsin v. Fort James Operating Company*, Civil Action No. 02-C-0602 (E.D. Wis.), and DOJ Reference Number 90-11-2-1045/1. A copy of the proposed consent decree may be examined at: (1) the Office of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, U.S. Courthouse and Federal Building—Room 530, 517 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202 (contact Matthew Richmond (414-297-1700)); and (2) the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Region 5), 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604 (contact Peter Felitti (312-886-5114)). Copies of the proposed consent decree may also be