

**Non-Allocated Sale****3.01 What Is the Non-Allocated Sale?**

That portion of the annual sale volume of Conservation Helium that will be offered to all qualified Bidders.

**3.02 What Is the Minimum Volume I Can Request?**

The minimum request is 5 MMcf.

**3.03 What Volume of Conservation Helium Is Available for the Non-Allocated Sale?**

The total volume of Conservation Helium available for this portion of the sale is 210 MMcf plus any additional helium that is not sold as part of the Allocated Sale.

**3.04 How Is the Ratio of Allocated to Non-Allocated Sale Volumes Determined?**

According to the terms of the HPA, the BLM must conduct the Annual Conservation Helium Sales in a manner not to cause undue helium market disruptions; and therefore, the majority of the Conservation Helium is being offered as part of the Allocated Sale. Currently, the *Crude Helium Refiners have refining capacity roughly double what can be supplied through the Annual Conservation Helium Sales.*

Although there are other crude helium supplies available to the Crude Helium Refiners, these supplies are declining each year. The BLM must be sensitive to the Crude Helium Refiners requirements while maintaining a balance with other helium industry requirements. The exact ratio of Allocated to Non-Allocated Sale volumes may change for subsequent Annual Conservation Helium Sales.

**3.05 How Will the Non-Allocated Conservation Helium Be Apportioned Among the Bidders?**

The Conservation Helium will be apportioned equally in 1 Mcf increments among the Bidders with no prospective Bidder receiving more than its request.

**3.06 What Will Happen if the Bidders Request More Than What Is Made Available for Sale in Part 3.03 of This Notice?**

- If one or more Bidders request less than their apportioned amount, any other Bidder(s) that requested more than its apportioned amount will be allowed to purchase equally apportioned amounts of the remaining volume available for this sale.

- If all Bidders request more than their apportioned amount each Bidder

will receive its apportioned amount as determined in part 3.05 in this notice.

**3.07 What Will Happen if a Bidder Requests Less Than Its Apportioned Amount?**

Any Bidder requesting less than the calculated apportioned volume will receive the amount of its request and amounts remaining will be reapportioned in accordance with part 3.05 in this notice.

**3.08 What Will Happen if the Total Requests From all Bidders Are Less Than That Offered for Sale in the Non-Allocated Sale?**

If the total non-allocated volume requested is less than the non-allocated volume offered for this portion of the sale, any excess amount from the Allocated or Non-Allocated Sale will be offered in a Supplemental Sale held in March 2005. If there is any excess amount after the Supplement Sale then it will not be sold and will be held in storage for future sales.

**3.09 Do You Have a Hypothetical Example of How a Non-Allocated Sale Would Be Conducted?**

2,100 MMcf available for total sale with 10 percent available for Non-Allocated Sale (210 MMcf).

Bidder—Non-allocated sale	Bid volume*	Apportioned volume*	Excess volume requested*	Proration percent	Excess apportioned*	Total apportioned*	Amount requested not received*
Refiner C .....	70	52.5	17.5	50	15	67.5	2.5
Company D .....	100	52.5	47.5	50	15	67.5	32.5
Company E .....	50	50	0	0	0	50	0
Company F .....	25	25	0	0	0	25	0
Total .....	245	180	65	100	30	210	35

\*All volumes in MMcf.

In this example, three companies submit a request and there is a carryover amount from one of the Crude Helium Refiners in the Allocated Sale that is considered as a separate request. Each Bidder would be apportioned 52.5 MMcf, (*i.e.*, 210 MMcf of Non-Allocated Conservation Helium 4 Bidders = 52.5 MMcf per Bidder).

After the initial allocation, Companies E and F have received all the helium they requested. However, 30 MMcf is deemed excess in the first iteration of the Non-Allocated Sale and reallocated to the two remaining Bidders. With the reallocation, Refiner C and Company D each receives an additional 15 MMcf. No more helium is available, Refiner C and Company D do not receive all that they requested, and the sale is complete. All percentages used in the calculation

will be rounded to the nearest 1/10th of 1 percent. All volumes calculated will be rounded to the nearest 1 Mcf.

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**Linda S.C. Rundell,**

*State Director, New Mexico.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management**

[CO-200-0777-XM-241A]

**Notice of Amendment of Meeting Date, Front Range Resource Advisory Council (Colorado)**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Front Range Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will meet as indicated below.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on September 2, 2004 at the Cripple Creek and Victor Meeting Room, 100 N. Third Street, Victor, Colorado beginning at 10 a.m. The public comment period will begin at approximately 10:15 a.m. and the meeting will adjourn at approximately 4 p.m.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15 member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in the Royal Gorge Field Office and San Luis Valley, Colorado. Planned agenda topics include Manager updates on current land management issues and the Gold Belt Travel Management Plan.

All meetings are open to the public. The public is encouraged to make oral comments to the Council at 10:15 a.m. or written statements may be submitted for the Council's consideration. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. The public is also welcome to attend the tour of the Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mine if space is available, however they will need to call the Royal Gorge Field Office at (719) 269-8500 before August 23 to make arrangements. Summary minutes for the Council Meeting will be maintained in the Front Range Center Office and will be available for public inspection and reproduction during regular business hours and can also be viewed at [http://www.blm.gov/rac/co/fracc/co\\_fr](http://www.blm.gov/rac/co/fracc/co_fr) within thirty (30) days following the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Attn: Ken Smith, 3170 East Main Street, Canon City, Colorado 81212. Phone (719) 269-8500.

Dated: July 28, 2004.

**Linda McGlothlen,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

**[(NM-920-1310-04); (NMNM 91505)]**

#### Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease NMNM 91505

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of reinstatement of terminated oil and gas lease.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease NMNM 91505 for lands in Eddy County, New Mexico, was timely filed and was accompanied by all required rentals and royalties accruing from September 1, 2003, the date of termination.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lourdes B. Ortiz, BLM, New Mexico State Office, (505) 438-7586.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre or fraction thereof and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$  percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500.00 administrative fee and has reimbursed the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice.

The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lease Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease effective September 1, 2003, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

**Lourdes B. Ortiz,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

**[WY-920-1310-01; WYW129669]**

#### Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed reinstatement of terminated oil and gas lease.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188 (d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2-3 (a) and (b)(1), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease WYW129669 for lands in Natrona County, Wyoming. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bureau of Land Management, Pamela J. Lewis, Chief, Fluid Chief Minerals Adjudication, at (307) 775-6176.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$  percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$166 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease WYW129669 effective August 1, 2003, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above. BLM has not issued a valid lease affecting the lands.

**Pamela J. Lewis,**

*Chief, Fluid Minerals Adjudication.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

**[(NV020-1430-EQ; N-31078)]**

#### Terminating the Segregative Effect on Land That Was Previously Leased for Airport Purposes and Opens the Land to Operation Under the Public Land Laws and the Mining Laws

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice terminates the segregative effect on land that was previously leased for airport purposes and opens the land to operation under the public land laws and the mining laws.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** At 9 a.m. on September 3, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** M. Lynn Trost, Realty Specialist, Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, 5100 East Winnemucca Boulevard, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445, (775) 623-1500.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Airport Lease N-31078 was applied for by Pinson Mining Company on October 15, 1980, under the act of May 24, 1928 (49 U.S.C. 211-214). On that date, the land was segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws. Notice to this effect was published in the **Federal Register** on November 17, 1980. The Public Airport Lease was granted to Pinson Mining Company on