

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement****30 CFR Part 250**[Docket ID: BSEE–2015–0002; 15XE1700DX
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RIN 1014–AA11

**Oil and Gas and Sulphur Operations
on the Outer Continental Shelf—
Blowout Preventer Systems and Well
Control****AGENCY:** Bureau of Safety and
Environmental Enforcement (BSEE),
Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking;
extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The BSEE is extending the public comment period on the Notice of proposed rulemaking entitled “Oil and Gas and Sulphur Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf—Blowout Preventer Systems and Well Control,” which was published in the **Federal Register** on April 17, 2015. The original public comment period would have ended on June 16, 2015. However, BSEE received requests from various stakeholders to extend the comment period. The BSEE reviewed the extension requests and determined that a 30-day comment period extension—to July 16, 2015—is appropriate.

DATES: The comment period for the notice of proposed rulemaking published in the **Federal Register** on April 17, 2015 (80 FR 21504), is extended. Written comments must be received by the extended due date of July 16, 2015. The BSEE may not fully consider comments received after this date.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the proposed rulemaking by any of the following methods. Please use the Regulation Identifier Number (RIN) 1014–AA11 as an identifier in your message.

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the entry titled Enter Keyword or ID, enter BSEE–2015–0002 then click search. Follow the instructions to submit public comments and view supporting and related materials available for this rulemaking. The BSEE may post all submitted comments in their entirety.

- Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior (DOI); Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement; Attention: Regulations and Standards Branch; 45600 Woodland Road, Sterling, Virginia 20166. Please reference “Oil and Gas and Sulphur

Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf—Blowout Preventer Systems and Well Control, 1014–AA11” in your comments and include your name and return address. Please note that this address for BSEE is new; however, any comments already submitted to BSEE’s former address (381 Elden St., Herndon, VA 20171) do not need to be resubmitted to the new address.

- Public Availability of Comments—Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kirk Malstrom, Regulations and Standards Branch, 202–258–1518, Kirk.Malstrom@bsee.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BSEE published a notice of proposed rulemaking on Blowout Preventer Systems and Well Control on April 17, 2015 (80 FR 21504). This proposed rule is intended to consolidate equipment and operational requirements that are common to other subparts pertaining to offshore oil and gas drilling, completions, workovers, and decommissioning. This proposed rule would focus, at this time, on blowout preventer (BOP) requirements, including incorporation of industry standards and revision of existing regulations. The proposed rule would also include reforms in the areas of well design, well control, casing, cementing, real-time well monitoring, and subsea containment. The proposed rule would address and implement multiple recommendations resulting from various investigations of the *Deepwater Horizon* incident. This proposed rule would also incorporate guidance from several Notices to Lessees and Operators (NTLs) and revise provisions related to drilling, workover, completion, and decommissioning operations to enhance safety and environmental protection.

After publication of the proposed rule, BSEE received requests from various stakeholders asking BSEE to extend the comment period on the proposed rule. The majority of those requests sought extensions of 120 days, which would triple the length of the original 60-day comment period. One comment requested a 30-day extension. BSEE also received a written comment from another stakeholder urging BSEE

not to extend the comment period because the proposed rule has been in development since the *Deepwater Horizon* incident, is based on recommendations resulting from that incident, and represents a critical regulatory improvement that should be finalized without delay.

The BSEE has considered those requests and has determined that extending the original 60-day comment period by an additional 30 days will provide sufficient additional time for review of and comment on the proposal without unduly delaying a final rulemaking decision. Accordingly, written comments must be submitted by the extended due date of July 16, 2015. The BSEE may not fully consider comments received after this date.

Dated: May 28, 2015.

Janice M. Schneider,
*Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals
Management.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management****43 CFR Part 3100**

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**Oil and Gas Leasing; Royalty on
Production, Rental Payments,
Minimum Acceptable Bids, Bonding
Requirements, and Civil Penalty
Assessments****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.**ACTION:** Advance notice of proposed
rulemaking; extension of comment
period.

SUMMARY: On April 21, 2015, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) published in the **Federal Register** an advanced notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) to solicit public comments and suggestions that may be used to update the BLM’s regulations related to royalty rates, annual rental payments, minimum acceptable bids, bonding requirements, and civil penalty assessments for Federal onshore oil and gas leases. In response to requests received for additional time to provide comment, the BLM is announcing by issuance of this notice that the public comment period for the ANPR will be extended 14 days beyond the end of the initial comment period.

DATES: The comment period for the ANPR published April 21, 2015 (80 FR

22148), is extended. Send your comments on this proposed rule to the BLM on or before June 19, 2015. The BLM need not consider, or include in the administrative record for the final rule, comments that the BLM receives after the close of the comment period or comments delivered to an address other than those listed below (see **ADDRESSES**).

ADDRESSES: *Mail:* U.S. Department of the Interior, Director (630), Bureau of Land Management, Mail Stop 2134 LM, 1849 C St. NW., Washington, DC 20240, Attention: 1004-AE41. *Personal or messenger delivery:* Bureau of Land Management, 20 M Street SE., Room 2134 LM, Attention: Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20003. *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions at this Web site.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dylan Fuge, Office of the Director, at 202-208-5235, Steven Wells, Division of Fluid Minerals, at 202-912-7143, or Jolly McQuilliams, Division of Fluid Minerals, at 202-912-7156, for information regarding the substance of this ANPR. For information on procedural matters or the rulemaking process generally, you may contact Anna Atkinson, Regulatory Affairs, at 202-912-7438. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to contact the above individuals.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comment Procedures

If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods: *Mail:* You may mail comments to U.S. Department of the Interior, Director (630), Bureau of Land Management, Mail Stop 2134LM, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240, Attention: 1004-AE41. *Personal or messenger delivery:* Bureau of Land Management, 20 M Street SE., Room 2134 LM, Attention: Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20003. *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions at this Web site.

Please make your comments as specific as possible by confining them to issues directly related to the content of the ANPR, and explain the basis for your comments. The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are:

1. Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and

2. Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations.

The BLM is not obligated to consider or include in the Administrative Record for the rule comments received after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under **ADDRESSES** during regular hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Before including your address, telephone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Background

The ANPR was published on April 21, 2015 (80 FR 22148), with a 45-day comment period closing on June 5, 2015. The ANPR poses questions and seeks information related to potential updates and changes to the BLM's existing regulations governing Federal onshore oil and gas leases related to royalty rates, annual rental payments, minimum acceptable bids, bonding requirements, and civil penalty assessments. Following publication of the ANPR, the BLM received requests for extension of the comment period. In response to those requests, the BLM has decided to extend the comment period on the rule for 14 days, until June 19, 2015.

Dated: May 26, 2015.

Janice M. Schneider,

Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

**48 CFR Parts 2, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15, 16,
19, and 52**

[FAR Case 2014-015; Docket No. 2014-0015; Sequence No. 1]

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Federal Acquisition Regulation; Consolidation and Bundling of Contract Requirements

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: DoD, GSA, and NASA are proposing to amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to implement sections of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 and regulatory changes made by the Small Business Administration, which provide for a Governmentwide policy on the consolidation and bundling of contract requirements.

DATES: Interested parties should submit written comments to the Regulatory Secretariat at one of the addresses shown below on or before August 3, 2015 to be considered in the formation of the final rule.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in response to FAR Case 2014-015 by any of the following methods:

- *Regulations.gov:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching for "FAR Case 2014-015". Select the link "Comment Now" that corresponds with "FAR Case 2014-015." Follow the instructions provided at the "Comment Now" screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "FAR Case 2014-015" on your attached document.

- *Mail:* General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), ATTN: Ms. Flowers, 1800 F Street NW., 2nd Floor, Washington, DC 20405.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite FAR Case 2014-015, in all correspondence related to this case. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.