

appropriate minimum rate per acre will be applied to the whole (rounded up) acreage. The bonus bid amount must be greater than or equal to the minimum bonus bid, as calculated and stated in the Final NOS package.

IX. Forms

The Final NOS package includes instructions, samples, and/or the preferred format for the items listed below. BOEM strongly encourages bidders to use the recommended formats. If bidders use another format, they are responsible for including all the information specified for each item in the Final NOS package.

- (1) Bid Form
- (2) Sample Completed Bid
- (3) Sample Bid Envelope
- (4) Sample Bid Mailing Envelope
- (5) Telephone Numbers/Addresses of Bidders Form
- (6) GDIS Form
- (7) GDIS Envelope Form

X. The Lease Sale

Bid Opening and Reading

Sealed bids received in response to the Final NOS will be opened at the place, date, and hour specified under the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections of the Final NOS. The venue will not be open to the public. Instead, the bid opening will be available for the public to view on BOEM's website at www.boem.gov via live streaming. The opening of the bids is for the sole purpose of publicly announcing and recording the bids received; no bids will be accepted or rejected at that time.

Bonus Bid Deposit for Apparent High Bids

Each bidder submitting an apparent high bid must submit a bonus bid deposit to ONRR equal to one-fifth of the bonus bid amount for each such bid. A copy of the notification of the high bidder's one-fifth bonus bid amount can be obtained on the BOEM website at <http://www.boem.gov/Sale-257/> under the heading "Notification of EFT 1/5 Bonus Liability" after 1:00 p.m. on the day of the sale. All payments must be electronically deposited into an interest-bearing account in the U.S. Treasury by 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time the day following the bid reading (no exceptions). Account information is provided in the "Instructions for Making Electronic Funds Transfer Bonus Payments" found on the BOEM website identified above.

Submitting payment to your financial institution as soon as possible the day of bid reading, but no later than 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time the day of bid

reading, will help ensure that deposits have time to process through the U.S. Treasury and post to ONRR. ONRR cannot confirm payment until the monies have been moved into settlement status by the U.S. Treasury.

BOEM requires bidders to use EFT procedures for payment of one-fifth bonus bid deposits for GOM Lease Sale 257, following the detailed instructions contained on the ONRR Payment Information web page at <https://www.onrr.gov/ReportPay/payments.htm>. Acceptance of a deposit does not constitute, and will not be construed as, acceptance of any bid on behalf of the United States.

Withdrawal of Blocks

The United States reserves the right to withdraw any block from this lease sale prior to issuance of a written acceptance of a bid for the block.

Acceptance, Rejection, or Return of Bids

The United States reserves the right to reject any and all bids, regardless of the amount offered. Furthermore, no bid will be accepted, and no lease for any block will be awarded to any bidder, unless:

- (1) The bidder has complied with all applicable regulations and requirements of the Final NOS, including those set forth in the documents contained in the Final NOS package;
- (2) The bid is the highest valid bid; and
- (3) The amount of the bid has been determined to be adequate by the authorized officer.

Any bid submitted that does not conform to the requirements of the Final NOS and Final NOS package, OCSLA, or other applicable statute or regulation will be rejected and returned to the bidder. The United States Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission will review the results of the lease sale for any antitrust issues prior to the acceptance of bids and issuance of leases.

Bid Adequacy Review Procedures for GOM Lease Sale 257

To ensure that the U.S. Government receives fair market value for the conveyance of leases from this sale, BOEM will evaluate high bids in accordance with its bid adequacy procedures, which are available on BOEM's website at <http://www.boem.gov/Oil-and-Gas-Energy-Program/Leasing/Regional-Leasing/Gulf-of-Mexico-Region/Bid-Adequacy-Procedures.aspx>.

Lease Award

BOEM requires each bidder awarded a lease to complete the following:

- (1) Execute all copies of the lease (Form BOEM-2005 [February 2017], as amended);
- (2) Pay by EFT the balance of the bonus bid amount and the first year's rental for each lease issued in accordance with the requirements of 30 CFR 218.155 and 556.520(a); and
- (3) Satisfy the bonding requirements of 30 CFR part 556, subpart I, as amended.

ONRR requests that only one transaction be used for payment of the balance of the bonus bid amount and the first year's rental. Once ONRR receives such payment, the bidder awarded the lease may not request a refund of the balance of the bonus bid amount or first year's rental payment.

XI. Delay of Sale

The BOEM GOM RD has the discretion to change any date, time, and/or location specified in the Final NOS package in the case of an event that the BOEM GOM RD deems could interfere with a fair and orderly lease sale process. Such events could include, but are not limited to, natural disasters (e.g., earthquakes, hurricanes, floods), wars, riots, acts of terrorism, fires, strikes, civil disorder, or other events of a similar nature. In case of such events, bidders should call (504) 736-0557, or access the BOEM website at <http://www.boem.gov>, for information regarding any changes.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

National Institute on Corrections

Re-Establishment of Federal Advisory Committee

AGENCY: National Institute of Corrections, Department of Justice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976, the National Institute of Corrections (NIC) gives notice that it is re-establishing the charter for the National Institute of Corrections Advisory Board (hereafter referred to as "the Board").

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shaina Vanek, Advisory Board Designated Federal Officer for the

National Institute of Corrections, 202–514–4202 or svanek@bop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The overall policy and operations of the NIC are under the supervision of the Board. In general, the NIC provides training, technical assistance, information services, and policy/program development assistance to Federal, state, and local corrections agencies; through cooperative agreements, awards funds to support program initiatives; and provides leadership to influence correctional policies, practices, and operations nationwide in areas of emerging interest and concern to correctional executives and practitioners as well as public policymakers. The Board will help develop long-range plans, advise on program development, and recommend guidance to assist the NIC's efforts in these areas. The Board will also advise the Attorney General about the appointment of the Director of the NIC.

The Board shall report to the Director of the NIC. The Director of NIC or his/her designated representatives may act upon the Board's advice and recommendations.

Under 18 U.S.C. 4351(b) and (c), the Board shall consist of sixteen members. The following six individuals shall serve as members of the Board ex officio: The Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons or his designee, the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs or his designee, Chairman of the United States Sentencing Commission or his designee, the Director of the Federal Judicial Center or his designee, the Associate Administrator for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention or his designee, and the Assistant Secretary for Human Development of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee. The remaining ten members of the Board shall be selected by the Attorney General of the United States, after consultation with the Federal Bureau of Prisons and the NIC. Five of these shall be qualified as a practitioner (Federal, State, or local) in the field of corrections, probation, or parole, and shall serve for staggered three-year terms. Five of these members shall be from the private sector, such as business, labor, and education, having demonstrated an active interest in corrections, probation, or parole, and shall serve for staggered three-year terms.

The NIC, when necessary, and consistent with the Board's mission and NIC policies and procedures may establish subcommittees, task groups, or working groups deemed necessary to

support the Board. Establishment of subcommittees will be based upon an identified and articulated need, a verbal or written vote by the Board, and approval by the NIC Director. The Board has established no permanent subcommittees.

Any established subcommittees shall not work independently of the chartered Board, and shall report all of their recommendations and advice to the Board for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Board; nor can any subcommittees or any of its members update or report directly to the NIC or any Federal officers or employees. All subcommittees operate under the provisions of the FACA, the Government in the Sunshine Act, governing Federal statutes and regulations, and governing NIC policies/procedures.

The Board shall meet at the call of the Board's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Chairperson. The estimated number of Committee meetings is two per year.

In addition, the Designated Federal Officer is required to be in attendance at all Board and subcommittee meetings for the entire duration of each and every meeting; however, in the absence of the Designated Federal Officer, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend the entire duration of the Committee or subcommittee meeting.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to NIC Advisory Board's membership about the Board's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of NIC Advisory Board.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer for the National Institute of Corrections Advisory Board, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, will announce planned meetings of the Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee. The Designated Federal Officer, at that time, may provide additional guidance on the submission of written statements that are in response to the stated agenda for the planned meeting in question.

Dated: September 28, 2021.

Shaina Vanek,

Acting Director and Advisory Board Designated Federal Officer, National Institute of Corrections.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

30-Day Notice for “Applications from Students for Agency Initiatives Poetry Out Loud or the Musical Theater Songwriting Challenge for High School Students”

AGENCY: National Endowment for the Arts.

ACTION: Notice of proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The NEA, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This program helps to ensure that requested data is provided in the desired format; reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized; collection instruments are clearly understood; and the impact of collection requirements on respondents is properly assessed. Currently, the NEA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection of: Applications from Students for Agency Initiatives Poetry Out Loud or the Musical Theater Songwriting Challenge for High School Students.” Copies of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by visiting www.Reginfo.gov.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the National Endowment for the Arts, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the National Endowment for the Arts, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, (T) 202–395–7316.