

Invitation For Bids (IFB), Number 1435-02-01-RP-40342.

**DATES:** The IFB will be posted on MMS's Internet Home Page on or about January 30, 2001. Bids will be due for both MMS and the State at the posted receipt location on or about February 15, 2001. MMS and the State will notify successful bidders on or about February 20, 2001. The Federal Government and the State will begin actual taking of awarded royalty oil volumes for delivery to successful bidders for a 6-month period beginning April 1, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** The IFB will be posted on MMS's Home page at <http://www.mrm.mms.gov> under the navigation button "Royalty In Kind". The IFB may also be obtained by contacting Mr. Todd Leneau at the address in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below. Bids should be submitted to the address provided in the IFB.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information concerning the IFB document, terms, and process for Federal leases, contact Mr. Todd Leneau, Minerals Management Service, MS 2730, P.O. Box 25165, Denver, CO 80225-0165; telephone number (303) 275-7385; fax (303) 275-7303; e-mail [Todd.Leneau@mms.gov](mailto:Todd.Leneau@mms.gov). For additional information concerning the IFB document, terms, and process for State of Wyoming properties, contact Mr. Harold Kemp, Office of State Lands and Investments, Herschler Building, 3rd Floor West, 122 West 25th Street, Cheyenne, WY 82002-0600; telephone number (307) 777-6643; fax: (307) 777-5400; Email: [hkemp@missc.state.wy.us](mailto:hkemp@missc.state.wy.us).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The offering in this IFB continues the ongoing RIK program in Wyoming. The State and MMS believe that taking oil royalties as a share of production, or RIK, from the properties offered in the IFB is a viable alternative to the agencies' usual practice of collecting oil royalties as a share of the value received by the lessee for sale of the production. Both agencies will continue to monitor the effectiveness of the RIK approach to taking crude oil royalties in Wyoming.

In the current sale under IFB No. 1435-02-00-RP-40329, the number of properties offered was a three-fold increase over properties offered in the prior sale. The new sale involves approximately 5,100 bpd of crude oil from 60 Federal and State properties

located in Wyoming's Bighorn and Powder River Basins. The 60 properties in the new sale represent approximately 20 percent of the properties in the current sale. However, the volume represents approximately 90 percent of the crude oil currently being delivered to purchasers under the current sale for production months October 2000 through March 2001. The production is pipeline-connected.

The properties will be identified in the IFB by specific pipeline subgroups of Wyoming sweet crude oil, Wyoming general sour crude oil, or Wyoming asphaltic sour crude oil. Purchasers must bid on a property basis. Bids will be due as specified in the IFB on or about February 15, 2001, and successful bidders will be notified on or about February 20, 2001. Successful bidders will be required to obtain Letters of Credit, unless they can self certify to the requirements in the IFB. Details will be available in the IFB.

The following are some of the additional details regarding the offerings that will be posted in the IFB on or about January 30, 2001:

- List of specific properties;
- For each property—tract allocations, royalty rate(s), estimated average daily royalty volume, quality, current transporter, and operator;
- Bid basis;
- Reporting requirements;
- Terms and conditions; and
- Contract format.

The internet posting and availability of the IFB in hard copy are being announced in oil and gas trade journals as well as in this **Federal Register** notice.

Dated: January 26, 2001.

**Lucy Querques Denett,**

*Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

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### Major Portion Prices and Due Dates for Additional Royalty Payments on Indian Gas Production in Designated Areas Not Associated With an Index Zone

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

**ACTION:** Notice of major portion prices.

**SUMMARY:** Final regulations for valuing gas produced from Indian leases, published on August 10, 1999, require MMS to determine major portion values and notify industry by publishing the values in the **Federal Register**. The regulations also require MMS to publish a due date for industry to pay additional royalty based on the major portion value. This notice provides the major portion values and due dates for July and August 2000 production months.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** January 1, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** See **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Barder, Indian Oil and Gas Compliance Asset Management, MMS; telephone, (303) 275-7234; FAX, (303) 275-7470; E-mail, [John.Barder@mms.gov](mailto:John.Barder@mms.gov); mailing address, Minerals Management Service, Minerals Revenue Management Indian Oil and Gas Compliance Asset Management, P.O. Box 25165, MS 396G3, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 10, 1999, MMS published a final rule titled "Amendments to Gas Valuation Regulations for Indian Leases," (64 FR 43506) with an effective date of January 1, 2000. 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 rule requires that MMS publish major portion prices for each designated area not associated with an index zone for each production month beginning January 2000 along with a due date for additional royalty payments. See 30 CFR 206.174(a)(4)(ii) (64 FR 43520, August 10, 1999). If additional royalties are due based on a published major portion price, the lessee must submit an amended Form MMS-2014, Report of Sales and Royalty Remittance, to MMS by the due date. If additional royalties are not paid by the due date, late payment interest under 30 CFR 218.54 (1999) will accrue from the due date until payment is made and an amended Form MMS-2014 is received. The table below lists the major portion prices for all designated areas not associated with an Index Zone and the due date for payment of additional royalties.

### GAS MAJOR PORTION PRICES AND DUE DATES FOR DESIGNATED AREAS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH AN INDEX ZONE

MMS-designated areas	July 2000	August 2000	Due date
Alabama—Coushatta .....	\$4.51/MMBtu .....	\$4.04/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001
Blackfeet Reservation .....	3.23/MMBtu .....	2.82/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001

**GAS MAJOR PORTION PRICES AND DUE DATES FOR DESIGNATED AREAS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH AN INDEX ZONE—  
Continued**

MMS-designated areas	July 2000	August 2000	Due date
Fort Belknap .....	4.27/MMBtu .....	4.13/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001
Fort Berthold .....	2.15/MMBtu .....	1.70/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001
Fort Peck Reservation .....	2.69/MMBtu .....	2.31/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001
Navajo Allotted Leases in the Navajo Reservation .....	3.80/MMBtu .....	3.42/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001
Rocky Boys Reservation .....	3.02/MMBtu .....	2.56/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001
Turtle Mountain Reservation .....	1.18/MMBtu .....	1.18/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001
Ute Allotted Leases in the Uintah and Ouray Reservation .....	3.86/MMBtu .....	3.15/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001
Ute Tribal Leases in the Uintah and Ouray Reservation .....	3.86/MMBtu .....	3.15/MMBtu .....	02/28/2001

For information on how to report additional royalties due to major portion prices, please refer to our Dear Payor letter dated December 1, 1999.

Dated: January 24, 2001.

**Lucy Querques Denett,**

*Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### **Glen Canyon Adaptive Management Work Group (AMWG) and Glen Canyon Technical Work Group (TWG)**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Adaptive Management Program (AMP) was implemented as a result of the Record of Decision on the Operation of Glen Canyon Dam Final Environmental Impact Statement and to comply with consultation requirements of the Grand Canyon Protection Act (Pub. L. 102-575) of 1992. The AMP provides an organization and process to ensure the use of scientific information in decision making concerning Glen Canyon Dam operations and protection of the affected resources consistent with the Grand Canyon Protection Act. The AMP has been organized and includes a federal advisory committee (the AMWG), a technical work group (the TWG), a monitoring and research center, and independent review panels. The TWG is a subcommittee of the AMWG and provides technical advice and information for the AMWG to act upon.

**DATES AND LOCATION:** The Adaptive Management Work Group will conduct the following public meetings:

*Phoenix, Arizona—April 12-13, 2001.* The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. on the first day and begin at 8 a.m. and conclude at 12 noon on the second day. The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs—

Western Regional Office, 2 Arizona Center, Conference Rooms A and B (12th Floor), 400 North 5th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

**Agenda:** The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the following: development of the AMP Strategic Plan, basin hydrology, results from the TCD Expert Panel Workshop, environmental compliance, and other administrative and resource issues pertaining to the AMP.

*Phoenix, Arizona—July 17-18, 2001.* The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. on the first day and begin at 8 a.m. and conclude at 12 noon on the second day. The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs—Western Regional Office, 2 Arizona Center, Conference Rooms A and B (12th Floor), 400 North 5th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

**Agenda:** The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the following: the AMP Strategic Plan, FY 2003 AMP budget, environmental compliance, and other administrative and resource issues pertaining to the AMP.

**DATES AND LOCATION:** The Technical Work Group will conduct the following public meetings:

*Phoenix, Arizona—February 13, 2001.* The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 5 p.m. the first day and begin at 8 a.m. and conclude at 12 noon on the second day. The meeting will be at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 100 N. First Street, Phoenix, Arizona, Navajo B&C conference rooms.

**Agenda:** The purpose of the meeting will be to continue work on the Strategic Plan and to identify major issues for the AMWG to address in April and July, including an update on hydrology, TWG ad hoc groups, Protocol Evaluation Panel Report on the Integrated Water Quality Plan, draft reports on the TCD Expert Panel Workshop and Stock Assessment Workshop, and a tour of the Western Area Power Southwest Office.

*Phoenix, Arizona—March 14-15, 2001.* The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. The

meeting will be held at the Hawthorne Suites Hotel, I-10 and University Drive, Phoenix, Arizona.

**Agenda:** The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the following: Strategic Plan management objectives, Low Steady Summer Flows Report, TWG River Trip on March 24-31, and other administrative and resource issues pertaining to the AMP.

*Phoenix, Arizona—May 30-31, 2001.* The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs—Western Regional Office, 2 Arizona Center, Conference Rooms A and B (12th Floor), 400 North 5th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

**Agenda:** The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the following: Final results of the Low Steady Summer Flows, discussion of Strategic Plan Ad Hoc Committee work, agenda items for the AMWG meeting to be held July 17-18, 2001, and other administrative and resource issues pertaining to the AMP.

Agenda items may be revised prior to any of the meetings. Final agendas will be posted 15 days in advance of each meeting and can be found on the Bureau of Reclamation's website under Environmental Programs at: <http://www.uc.usbr.gov>. Time will be allowed on each agenda for any individual or organization wishing to make formal oral comments (limited to 10 minutes) at the meetings.

To allow full consideration of information by the TWG and AMWG members, written notice must be provided to Randall Peterson, Bureau of Reclamation, Upper Colorado Regional Office, 125 South State Street, Room 6107, Salt Lake City, Utah 84138-1102; telephone (801) 524-3758; faxogram (801) 524-3858; E-mail at: [rpeterson@uc.usbr.gov](mailto:rpeterson@uc.usbr.gov) at least FIVE (5) days prior to the meeting. Any written comments received will be provided to the TWG and AMWG members at the meetings.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Peterson, telephone (801) 524-