§ 218.155 Method of payment.

(a) Payment of royalties and rentals. With the exception of first-year rental, the payor shall tender all payments in accordance with §218.51. First-year rental shall be paid in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section.

(b) Payment of the one-fifth bonus bid amount. (1) Each lease bid must include a payment for the one-fifth bonus bid deposit amount unless the bidder is otherwise directed by the Secretary. Further instructions on how to make...

(c) For leases issued subject to the net profit sharing provisions, annual rental payments shall be due and payable in advance, on the first day of each lease year which commences prior to the date the first profit share payment becomes due. The owner of any lease created by the segregation of a portion of a lease subject to net profit sharing provisions, shall pay an annual rental for such segregated portion at the rate per acre or hectare specified in the lease. This rental shall be payable each year following the year in which the segregation becomes effective and shall continue to be due and payable, in advance, on the first day of each year which commences prior to the date the first profit share payment becomes due.


§ 218.156 Fishermen’s Contingency Fund.

Upon the establishment of the Fishermen’s Contingency Fund, any holder of a lease issued or maintained under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act and any holder of an exploration permit or of an easement or right-of-way for the construction of a pipeline, shall pay an amount specified by the Director, MMS, who shall assess and collect the specified amount from each holder and deposit it into the Fund. With respect to prelease exploratory drilling permits, the amount will be collected at the time of issuance of the permit.


§ 218.157 [Reserved]

§ 218.158 Effect of suspensions on royalty and rental.

(a) MMS will not relieve the lessee of the obligation to pay rental or minimum royalty for or during the suspension if the Regional Supervisor:

(1) Grants a suspension of operations or production, or both, at the request of the lessee; or

(2) Directs a suspension of operations or production, or both, under 30 CFR 250.173(a).

(b) MMS will not require a lessee to pay rental or minimum royalty for or during the suspension if the Regional Supervisor directs a suspension of operations or production, or both, except as provided in (a)(2) of this section.

(c) If the lease anniversary date falls within a period of suspension for which no rental or minimum royalty payments are required under paragraph (b) of this section, the prorated rentals or minimum royalties are due and payable as of the date the suspension period terminates. These amounts shall be computed and notice thereof given the lessee. The lessee shall pay the amount due within 30 days after receipt of such notice. The anniversary date of a lease shall not change by reason of any period of lease suspension or rental or royalty relief resulting therefrom.


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