

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service****36 CFR Part 228**

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management****43 CFR Part 3160**

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**Onshore Oil and Gas Operations;
Federal and Indian Oil and Gas Leases;
Onshore Oil and Gas Order Number 1,
Approval of Operations**

AGENCIES: U.S. Forest Service, Agriculture; Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; Notice of extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the U.S. Forest Service (FS) are extending by 60 days the public comment period for the proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on July 27, 2005 (70 FR 43349). The proposed rule would revise existing Onshore Oil and Gas Order Number 1 (see 48 FR 48916 as amended at 48 FR 56226 (1983)). The Order provides the requirements necessary for the approval of all proposed oil and gas exploratory, development, or service wells on all Federal and Indian (except Osage Tribe) onshore oil and gas leases, including leases where the surface is managed by the FS. It also covers approvals necessary for subsequent well operations, including abandonment. In response to public requests for additional time and because the recently enacted Energy Policy Act of 2005 impacts certain provisions of the proposed rule, the BLM and the FS are extending the comment period 60 days from the original comment period closing date of August 26, 2005. The comment period is extended to October 25, 2005, to give the public additional time to comment.

DATES: Send your comments to the BLM on or before October 25, 2005. The BLM and the FS may not necessarily consider or include in the Administrative Record for the final rule comments that we receive after the close of the comment period or comments delivered to an address other than those listed below (see **ADDRESSES**).

ADDRESSES: Mail: Director (630), Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States

Office, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153. Hand Delivery: 1620 L Street, NW., Suite 401, Washington, DC 20036. E-mail: comments_washington@blm.gov. Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James Burd at (202) 452-5017 or Ian Senio at (202) 452-5049 at the BLM or Barry Burkhardt at (801) 625-5157 at the FS. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may contact these persons through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BLM and the FS published the proposed rule on July 27, 2005 (70 FR 43349), and provided a 30 day comment period that will end on August 26, 2005. We are extending the comment period on the proposed rule until October 25, 2005. The comment period is being extended as a result of requests for extension from the public, but also because the recently enacted Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Act) impacts certain provisions of the proposed rule having to do with timing of the Application for Permit to Drill or Deepen package (APD) approvals. To make the proposed rule consistent with the provisions in that Act, the BLM intends to publish a further proposed rule in the **Federal Register** in the near future amending provisions associated with the timing of APD approvals.

Dated: August 22, 2005.

Dale N. Bosworth,
Chief, USDA—Forest Service.

Dated: August 19, 2005.

Rebecca W. Watson,
Assistant Secretary of the Interior.
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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES****Centers for Medicare & Medicaid
Services****42 CFR Parts 447 and 455**

[CMS-2198-P]

RIN 0938-AN09

**Medicaid Program; Disproportionate
Share Hospital Payments**

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This proposed rule would implement section 1001(d) of the

Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA) which establishes new reporting and auditing requirements for State Disproportionate Share Hospital payments.

DATES: To be assured consideration, comments must be received at one of the addresses provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on October 25, 2005.

ADDRESSES: In commenting, please refer to file code CMS-2198-P. Because of staff and resource limitations, we cannot accept comments by facsimile (FAX) transmission.

You may submit comments in one of three ways (no duplicates, please):

1. *Electronically.* You may submit electronic comments on specific issues in this regulation to <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/regulations/ecomments>. (Attachments should be in Microsoft Word, WordPerfect, or Excel; however, we prefer Microsoft Word).

2. *By mail.* You may mail written comments (one original and two copies) to the following address ONLY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: CMS-2198-P, P.O. Box 8010, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850.

Please allow sufficient time for mailed comments to be received before the close of the comment period.

3. *By hand or courier.* If you prefer, you may deliver (by hand or courier) your written comments (one original and two copies) before the close of the comment period to one of the following addresses. If you intend to deliver your comments to the Baltimore address, please call telephone number (410) 786-9994 in advance to schedule your arrival with one of our staff members. Room 445-G, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201; or 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-8010.

(Because access to the interior of the HHH Building is not readily available to persons without Federal Government identification, commenters are encouraged to leave their comments in the CMS drop slots located in the main lobby of the building. A stamp-in clock is available for persons wishing to retain a proof of filing by stamping in and retaining an extra copy of the comments being filed.)

Comments mailed to the addresses indicated as appropriate for hand or courier delivery may be delayed and received after the comment period.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Frizzera, (410) 786-9535.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: