DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease NMNM 112879, New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the Class II provisions of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management received a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease NMNM 112879 from the lessee Crown Oil Partners LP for lands in Eddy County, New Mexico. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: No valid lease has been issued that affects the lands. The lessee agrees to new lease terms for rentals and royalties of $10 per acre or fraction thereof, per year, and 16 2/3 percent, respectively. The lessee paid the required $500 administrative fee for the reinstatement of the lease and $166 cost for publishing this Notice in the Federal Register. The lessee met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188). We are proposing to reinstate lease NMNM 112879, effective the date of termination, January 1, 2011, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332–524]

Brazil: Competitive Factors in Brazil Affecting U.S. and Brazilian Agricultural Sales in Selected Third Country Markets; Institution of Investigation and Scheduling of Hearing


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Following receipt on April 26, 2011, of a request from the United States Senate Committee on Finance (Committee) under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)), the U.S. International Trade Commission (Commission) instituted investigation No. 332–524, Brazil: Competitive Factors in Brazil Affecting U.S. and Brazilian Agricultural Sales in Selected Third Country Markets.

DATES:
June 24, 2011: Deadline for filing requests to appear at the public hearing.
July 5, 2011: Deadline for filing prehearing briefs and statements.
October 6, 2011: Deadline for filing all other written submissions.
March 26, 2012: Transmittal of Commission report to the Committee.

ADDRESSES: All Commission offices, including the Commission’s hearing rooms, are located in the United States International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/edis.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Project leader John Fry (202–708–4157 or john.fry@usitc.gov) or deputy project leader Brendan Lynch (202–205–3313 or brendan.lynch@usitc.gov) for information specific to this investigation. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact William Gearhart of the Commission’s Office of the General Counsel (202–205–3901 or william.gearhart@usitc.gov). The media should contact Margaret O’Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202–205–1819 or margaret.olaughlin@usitc.gov).

Hearing-impaired individuals may obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal at 202–205–1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (http://www.usitc.gov). Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000.

Background: As requested by the Committee, the Commission will conduct an investigation and prepare a report on the competitive factors in Brazil affecting U.S. and Brazilian agricultural sales in third country markets. As requested, to the extent possible, the report will include—
1. An overview of agricultural markets in Brazil, including recent trends in production, consumption, and trade;
2. An overview of U.S. and Brazilian participation in global export markets for meat, grain, and oilseed products, particularly in the European Union, Russia, China, Japan, and markets with which Brazil has negotiated trade agreements;
3. A description of the competitive factors affecting the agricultural sector in Brazil, in such areas as costs of production, transportation and marketing infrastructure, technology, exchange rates, domestic support, and government programs related to agricultural markets;
4. A description of the growth of Brazilian multinational agribusiness firms and their effect on global food supply chains;
5. A description of the principal trade measures affecting U.S. and Brazilian exports of meat, grain, and oilseed products in major third country export markets, including sanitary and phytosanitary measures and technical barriers to trade; and
6. A quantitative analysis of the economic effects of preferential tariffs negotiated under Brazil’s free trade agreements on U.S. and Brazilian exports of meat, grain, and oilseed products, as well as the economic effects of selected non-tariff measures on U.S. and Brazilian exports of meat, grain, and oilseed products in major third country export markets.

The Committee asked that the Commission’s report cover the period 2006–2010, and focus on the global meat, grains, and oilseeds markets. The Committee requested that the Commission deliver its report by March 26, 2012.

Public Hearing: The Commission will hold a public hearing in connection with this investigation at the U.S.