

H-3108-1 - RELINQUISHMENTS, TERMINATIONS, AND CANCELLATIONS

Format for Decision of Notification of Default in Lease Terms for
Failure to Pay Annual Rental for a 1930 Act Right-of-Way Lease



United States Department of the Interior
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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3103/3109 (Office Code)
Serial No.

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	DECISION	
Lessee/Address	:	
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Notice of Default in Lease Terms
Annual Rental Payment Required to Meet Lease Terms
Oil and Gas Termination Notice Vacated

Oil and gas lease (Serial number) is a right-of-way oil and gas lease issued in accordance with the Act of May 21, 1930. This type of lease requires rental to be paid annually on the anniversary date of the lease, and if the annual rental is not timely paid it becomes a debt owed to the United States on the anniversary date. This is in contrast to oil and gas leases issued under the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 that automatically terminate by operation of the law for failure to pay the annual rental in accordance with Public Law 83-555. Oil and gas lease (Serial number) is not controlled by Public Law 83-555. Accordingly, the (Date) termination notice is hereby vacated.

The Minerals Management Service has notified this office that the annual rental for lease (Serial number) of \$65.00, due on or before January 1, 1995, was not paid.

If it was the lessee's intention to terminate the lease by not paying the annual rental, that has not occurred for this right-of-way lease. However, the lessee may relinquish the lease in its entirety, provided that a written relinquishment of the lease is filed in this office, as allowed by Section 11 of the lease terms. If the lessee does relinquish the lease, the \$65.00 that has already become a debt will still be owed to the United States.

The failure to pay the annual rental due on before January 1, 1992, is a default in the performance of the lease terms, and this decision constitutes notice of that default under Section 13 of the lease terms.

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If the unpaid rental of \$65.00 is not paid, action will be taken to cancel the lease and to collect the amount owed to the United States. However, this action will not be taken until the lessee has had an opportunity to submit the full amount of \$65.00 for the rental due. The lessee is allowed 30 days from the date of receipt of this decision in which to submit this payment. Make the check payable to the Department of the Interior-MMS, indicate the lease serial number on the check, and mail the check to the following address:

Mineral Management Service
Royalty Management Program
Box 5640
Denver, Colorado 80217

This is an interlocutory decision from which no appeal may be taken. If the lessee does not comply with this decision within the time allowed, a final decision will be issued that may be appealed.

Authorized Officer

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