## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Minerals Management Service** 

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Public Meetings on Supplementary Proposed Rule—Establishing Oil Value for Royalty Due on Federal Leases

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Minerals Management Service (MMS) is giving notice of five public meetings concerning the supplementary proposed Federal oil valuation rule published in the **Federal Register** on February 6, 1998 (63 FR 6113). The proposed rule amends the royalty valuation regulations for crude oil produced from Federal leases.

**DATES:** The public meeting dates are:

- 1. Houston, TX, February 18, 1998, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Central time.
- 2. Washington, D.C., February 25, 1998, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern time.
- 3. Lakewood, CO, March 2, 1998, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mountain time.
- 4. Bakersfield, CA, March 11, 1998, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Pacific time.5. Casper, WY, March 12, 1998, 9 a.m.
- Casper, WY, March 12, 1998, 9 a.m to 1 p.m., Mountain time.
  In addition to this Federal Register notice, these meeting dates and

locations were announced to oil and gas industry representatives on February 3, 1998, at the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Special Institute on Federal and Indian Oil and Gas Royalty Valuation and Management.

**ADDRESSES:** See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for meeting location addresses.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meetings will be open to the public in order to discuss the supplementary proposed rule and gather comments. The meeting locations are:

 Houston—Houston Compliance Division Office, Minerals Management Service, 4141 North Sam Houston Parkway East, Houston, TX 77032, telephone number (281) 987– 6802.

- 2. Washington, D.C.—Main Interior Building, Large Buffet Room, in the Cafeteria, Basement Floor, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240, telephone number (202) 208–3512.
- 3. Lakewood—Veterans Administration Building, 155 Van Gordon St., Lakewood, CO 80228, telephone number (303) 914–5800.
- 4. Bakersfield—Bakersfield District Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3801 Pegasus Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308–6837, telephone number (805) 391–6000.
- Casper—Casper District Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1701 East "E" Street, Casper, WY 82601, telephone number (307) 261–7600.

We encourage members of the public to attend these meetings. Those wishing to make formal presentations should sign up upon arrival. The sign up sheet will determine the order of speakers. For building security measures, each person will be required to sign in and may be required to present a picture identification to gain entry to the meetings.

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