# **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

# **Minerals Management Service**

30 CFR Part 206 RIN 1010-AC24

# Establishing Oil Value for Royalty Due on Indian Leases

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Reopening of public comment period and notice of public workshops.

**SUMMARY:** The MMS is reopening the public comment period on the proposed rule regarding the valuation for royalty purposes of crude oil produced from Indian leases.

**DATES:** We must receive comments on or before April 14, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments directly to Sharron L. Gebhardt, Regulatory Specialist, Minerals Management Service, Mineral Revenue Management, P.O. Box 25165, MS 320B2, Denver, Colorado 80225. If you use an overnight courier service, our courier address is Building 85, Room A-614, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225. You may also e-mail your comments to us at mrm.comments@mms.gov. Also include your name and return address. Submit electronic comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. If you do not receive a confirmation that we have

received your e-mail, contact Ms. Gebhardt at (303) 231–3211.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sharron L. Gebhardt, telephone (303) 231–3211, FAX (303) 231–3385, e-mail Sharron.Gebhardt@mms.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MMS published a notice of proposed rulemaking regarding the value for royalty purposes of crude oil produced from Indian leases on February 12, 1998 (63 FR 7089) and a supplementary proposed rule on January 5, 2000 (65 FR 403). In today's **Federal Register**, MMS is announcing dates, places, and times for workshops on issues related to the existing rules adopted in March 2000 governing the valuation for royalty purposes of crude oil produced from Federal leases.

The workshops will address, among other things, issues related to calculation of transportation allowances (including the rate of return allowed for calculating actual costs under non-arm's-length transportation arrangements), timing and application of published index prices, and calculation of location and quality differentials under certain circumstances.

Because of the substantive overlap between these issues and issues involved in the proposed Indian oil valuation rule, and to give persons interested in Indian lease issues an opportunity to participate in the workshops, MMS is reopening the comment period on the proposed Indian oil valuation rule for 60 days so it can include in the record any relevant comments received. The MMS then can consider those comments as it proceeds with the Indian oil valuation rule.

The policy of the Department of the Interior is to give the public an opportunity to participate in the rulemaking process. Accordingly, you may submit your written comments, suggestions, or objections regarding this notice to the location identified in the ADDRESSES section of this notice. You should submit comments on or before the date identified in the DATES section of this notice.

We will also make copies of the comments available for public review, including names and addresses of respondents, during regular business hours at our offices in Lakewood, Colorado. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the public record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the rulemaking record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you

request that we withhold your name and/or address, state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

Dated: February 5, 2003.

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Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Coast Guard** 

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD05-02-108]

RIN 2115-AE47

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, South Branch of the Elizabeth River to the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal, Chesapeake, VA

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is proposing to change the operating regulations that govern the operation of the Jordan (S337) bridge, the Gilmerton (US 13/ 460) bridge, and the Dominion Boulevard (US 17) bridge which all span the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River, and the Centerville Turnpike (SR170) bridge across the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal. We propose to extend the morning and evening rush hour closure periods between one hour and one-half hour for the Jordan and Gilmerton bridges and to add rush hour scheduled openings for the Gilmerton and Centerville Turnpike bridges. These regulations are necessary to relieve increased vehicular traffic congestion during weekday rush hours; the changes would reduce traffic delays while still providing for the reasonable needs of navigation.

**DATES:** Comments and related material must reach the Coast Guard on or before April 14, 2003.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments and related material to Commander (Aowb), Fifth Coast Guard District, Federal Building, 4th Floor, 431 Crawford Street, Portsmouth, Virginia 23704–5004, or they may be hand delivered to the same address between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. The telephone number is (757) 398–6222. The Commander (Aowb), Fifth Coast Guard District maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann B. Deaton, Bridge Administrator, Fifth Coast Guard District, at (757) 398–6222.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### **Request for Comments**

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and related material. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this rulemaking (CGD05-02-108), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. Please submit all comments and related material in an unbound format, no larger than 81/2 by 11 inches, suitable for copying. If you would like to know they reached us, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. We may change this proposed rule in view of them.

# **Public Meeting**

We do not now plan to hold a public meeting. But you may submit a request for a meeting by writing to the Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District at the address under ADDRESSES explaining why one would be beneficial. If we determine that one would aid this rulemaking, we will hold one at a time and place announced by a later notice in the Federal Register.

# **Background and Purpose**

The Virginia Cut of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AICW) extends approximately 28 statute miles from the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River to the North Landing River. The AICW is used by recreational, public, and commercial vessels. General regulations governing the operation of bridges are set out in 33 CFR 117.1 through 117.49. Specific drawbridge regulations, which supplement the general regulations for certain AICW bridges, are set out in 33 CFR 117.997.

The City of Chesapeake has requested a change to the existing regulations for the Jordan, Gilmerton, Dominion Boulevard and Centerville Turnpike