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Dear Mr. Kann:

I am making this request under the Freedom Of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552.

Please treat each of the following eleven numbered items as a separate and individual FOIA requests. They are ordered in the priority I would like them handled.

I would like the following items:

1. The FOIA log for Minerals Revenue Management from January 2006 forward, consisting of the requestor name, date of request, subject, and MMS FOIA number.
- 2007-055 → 2. Any progress reports on the implementation of the December 2006 report, "Action Plan to Strengthen Mineral Management Service Compliance Program Operations."
3. The number of 2014's filed with a dollar amount associated with code 21, as well as the total annual dollar amount, starting in 2000. Please confirm that code 21 is interest owed by MMS to a company.
6. The number of 2014's filed with a dollar amount associated with code 22, as well as the total annual dollar amount, starting in 2000. Please confirm that this code is interest owed by MMS to a company.
7. The number of 2014's filed with a dollar amount associated with adjustment code 72, as well as the total annual dollar amount associated with such code, starting in 2000. Please confirm that code 72 is interest owed to MMS by a company because of discovery in a compliance review.
8. The number of staff within the Royalty In Kind program since the year 2000.
9. Any and all correspondence and documents concerning payment orders, payment receipts, remittance reports, invoices, and accounts receivable for oil and gas royalties owed/paid on the following deepwater leases for the dates listed:

- 1) OCS lease G16623 for block MC 582; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 2) OCS lease G16614 for block MC 538; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 3) OCS lease G16661 for block MC 941; from 2000 through 2006.
  - 4) OCS lease G16647 for block MC 772; from 2005 through 2006.
  - 5) OCS lease G16644 for block MC 728; from 2005 through 2006.
  - 6) OCS lease G16727 for block GC 282; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 7) OCS lease G16702 for block GC 177; from 2003 through 2004.
  - 8) OCS lease G17255 for block EB 421; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 9) OCS lease G17237 for block EB 205; from 2001 through 2006.
  - 10) OCS lease G17408 for block GB 669; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 11) OCS lease G17406 for block GB 667; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 12) OCS lease G17407 for block GB 668; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 13) OCS lease G17300 for block GB 158; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 14) OCS lease G18207 for block MC 252; for 2006.
  - 15) OCS lease G18402 for block GC 608; from 2004 through 2006.
  - 16) OCS lease G18169 for block EW 878; from 2001 through 2006.
  - 17) OCS lease G19025 for block EB 579; from 2003 through 2006.
  - 18) OCS lease G19027 for block EB 598; from 2004 through 2006.
  - 19) OCS lease G19001 for block EB 430; from 2001 through 2006.
  - 20) OCS lease G19030 for block EB 623; from 2003 through 2006.
10. The number of transportation reviews and/or audits done by the Royalty In Kind Program Office of royalties taken in kind since the year 2000;
  11. Any documentation concerning the accuracy and reliability of reporting from the Liquid Verification System and the Gas Verification Systems.

I request a waiver of all costs associated with fulfilling this submission pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii). Disclosure of the requested records will further the "public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in the commercial interest" of the requester, the Project On Government Oversight (POGO). Specifically, POGO intends to use the requested records to highlight [issue i.e., when appropriate, specifically explain how the disclosure of the requested records will contribute to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government].

Founded in 1981, POGO is an independent nonprofit that investigates and exposes corruption in order to achieve a more accountable federal government. POGO disseminates information about its activities to thousands of concerned citizens, policymakers, and the media via email, direct mail, and its web site <http://www.pogo.org>, which receives 75,000 visitors monthly. The information provided by the agency will be used for the following activities: publication by email and on our website; publication in reports and newsletters issued by POGO; publication in the newsletters of affiliated nonprofit organizations; efforts to educate Congress, the Executive Branch, and other policymakers in Washington, DC; or investigational projects conducted in conjunction with the news media.

If this request is denied in full or in part, please cite the exemptions pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b) that justify the denial. If an exemption applies, however, please consider exercising the agency's discretionary release powers to disclose the records. Additionally, please release all reasonably segregable portions of the records that do not meet an exemption.

I look forward to your response within 20 days of the receipt of this request, unless, in the case of "unusual circumstances," the time limitation is "extended by written notice." I may appeal this request if it is wholly or partially denied or if the agency fails to respond within 20 days. I am aware that, if successful, a federal district court may assess "reasonable attorney fees and other litigation costs" per 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(E).

Please contact me if this request requires further clarification. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Beth M. Daley  
Director of Investigations

and

Lisa Cash Driskill  
Consultant