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ONRR Issues Two Civil Penalties to Matrix Production

Penalties total \$204,362 for failure to submit production reports

DENVER – The Department of the Interior’s Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) announced today that it has assessed Matrix Production Company (Matrix) two civil penalties totaling \$204,362 for failure to timely submit production reports.

“It is imperative that companies file timely and complete production reports required by existing law so ONRR can ensure that taxpayer assets are protected,” said ONRR Director Greg Gould. “Compliance with reporting regulations,” he stressed, “will remain a key focus of ONRR enforcement efforts.”

ONRR issued Matrix two Notices of Noncompliance – one in July 2012 and the other in May 2013 – requiring the company to submit multiple Oil and Gas Operations Reports detailing production from Federal oil and gas leases in Utah and Wyoming. One civil penalty totals \$199,532, while the other civil penalty totals \$4,830.

Matrix has offices in Sugarland, Texas.

The Office of Natural Resources Revenue, part of the Department’s Office of Policy, Management and Budget, is responsible for collecting and disbursing revenues from energy production that occurs onshore on Federal and American Indian lands, and offshore in the Outer Continental Shelf. During Fiscal Year 2013, the agency disbursed more than \$14.2 billion to states, American Indian Tribes and individual Indian mineral owners, and to various Federal accounts, including the U.S. Treasury, the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and the Reclamation Fund.

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