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## **ONRR Issues Three Civil Penalties Totaling \$59,672** *Companies cited for failure to report production*

**DENVER** – The Department of the Interior’s Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) announced today that it assessed civil penalties to three companies for failure to file required production reports.

“Submitting accurate and timely production reports is essential for ONRR to ensure that proper royalties are being paid,” said ONRR Director Greg Gould. “It is imperative that energy companies report production as required by law.”

ONRR assessed a \$31,572 civil penalty to Asher Associates, Inc., with offices in Greenwood Village, Colorado, for failure to submit production reports. The company failed to submit the required reports by the deadline in a Notice of Noncompliance (NONC) ONRR issued to Asher Associates, Inc.

ONRR also assessed a \$17,348 civil penalty to Otex Resources, with offices in Baytown, Texas, for failure to report production. ONRR issued the company a NONC in January 2013, which established a deadline to submit the missing production reports. The company did not file all of the reports until after the NONC deadline.

Finally, ONRR assessed a \$10,752 civil penalty to Citation Oil and Gas Corp., with offices in Houston, Texas, for failure to timely comply with a NONC ONRR issued to Citation for failure to report production.

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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