

### United States Department of the Interior

#### OFFICE OF NATURAL RESOURCES REVENUE

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Dear Oil, Gas, Solids, and Geothermal Reporter

On April 1, 2022 ONRR will implement a file structure change impacting all reporters who submit electronic reports to ONRR attributable to production and royalties remitted on Federal Onshore, Offshore and Indian properties.

In early 2022, The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is adding a new Fluid Minerals & Geothermal module to their Mineral & Land Records System (MLRS) <sup>1</sup>. The MLRS is BLM's new land and minerals record and data system that ONRR relies on for land records information. Due to this new system, BLM is transforming the standardized serial number format nationwide for onshore oil, gas, and geothermal leases and agreements.

To support BLM's updated serial number format and ONRR system modernization efforts, ONRR will implement a file structure change expanding the ONRR Lease and Agreement Number fields from 11 to 25 characters for ONRR Forms: ONRR-2014, including the CMP document type, 4054 (OGOR), 4058 (PASR) and 4430 (P&R).

ONRR will implement the file structure changes on April 1, 2022. Updated file sample layouts and instructions will be forthcoming. These will be located at:

Form 4054 (OGOR) <a href="https://onrr.gov/reportpay/production-reporting.htm">https://onrr.gov/reportpay/production-reporting.htm</a>
Form 4058 (PASR) <a href="https://onrr.gov/reportpay/production-reporting.htm">https://onrr.gov/reportpay/production-reporting.htm</a>
Form ONRR-2014 (2014 and CMP) <a href="https://onrr.gov/reportpay/royalty-reporting.htm">https://onrr.gov/reportpay/solids.htm</a>
Form 4430 (P&R) <a href="https://onrr.gov/reportpay/solids.htm">https://onrr.gov/reportpay/solids.htm</a>

ONRR is providing notice of these file structure changes to allow reporters time to update their system in alignment with the MLSR changes to the lease and agreement number field length. Reporters are still required to timely submit Production and Royalty Reports.<sup>2</sup>

This letter is not an appealable decision, order, Notice of Noncompliance, or Civil Penalty Notice under 30 CFR Part 1290 Subpart B (2021) or 30 CFR Part 1241 (2021).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BLM Letter to Lease and Agreement Holders

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 30 CFR § 1210.53, 30 CFR § 1210.103 and 30 CFR § 1210.201(b)

If you have questions regarding these changes, please contact your designated representative for submitting reports to ONRR by referring to the online listing of contacts on our website: <a href="https://onrr.gov/about/contact.htm">https://onrr.gov/about/contact.htm</a>

Sincerely,

April Lockler Program Manager Reference and Reporting Management

Attachment: BLM Letter to Lease and Agreement Holders



# United States Department of the Interior BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

https://www.blm.gov



December 15, 2021

#### **Dear BLM Customers:**

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is pleased to announce we are adding a new Fluid Minerals & Geothermal module to the Mineral & Land Records System (MLRS) in early 2022. MLRS is a customer-centric, geospatially enabled land information system that ensures the quality of land and mineral records and data while securely delivering land records information to BLM's customers and the public. MLRS is being released in modules; the first module on mining claims was released in January 2021. Fluid Minerals & Geothermal is launching in early 2022, and the BLM will continue with other case types in 2022 and 2023.



You are on record as having one or more active leases or agreements on file with the BLM. As such, we are sharing important information about how the MLRS Fluid Minerals & Geothermal module may impact you, including a new serial number format and instructions for entering the new number style in the Automated Fluid Minerals Support System (AFMSS).

**NOTE:** MLRS will NOT replace AFMSS functionality. All applications for permit to drill, sundry notices, and other applications or notifications for operations will continue to be submitted through the AFMSS program.

## The following changes will affect you when using the Fluid Minerals & Geothermal module launch, slated for early 2022:



Each case will be given a **new unique serial number** generated by MLRS.



Your current serial numbers and cases will not be lost! Historic and active fluid minerals & geothermal cases will be migrated into MLRS from the Legacy Rehost 2000 (LR2000).



You will be able to create an account in MLRS to access your existing active cases.



You will be able to search using the original LR2000 serial number **OR** the MLRS serial number.

Note that **operators will not need to change anything on the ground** and will be able to keep the existing LR2000 serial number on all existing signage. In addition, MLRS **will not significantly impact nor replace** the use of the National Fluid Lease Sale System (NFLSS) and AFMSS. See the **enclosure** for additional information on AFMSS.

You may also notice some changes on the BLM website. In particular:

- Oil & Gas and Geothermal reports will continue to be accessed via <a href="https://reports.blm.gov/">https://reports.blm.gov/</a>
  - However, they will move from their current subpage of <a href="https://reports.blm.gov/reports/LR2000">https://reports.blm.gov/reports/MLRS</a>
  - o Please bookmark <a href="https://reports.blm.gov/reports/MLRS">https://reports.blm.gov/reports/MLRS</a> for future use.

We will reach out again in the coming months with instructions for creating an MLRS account as we get closer to launch. Additionally, information will be provided by the Office of Natural Resources Revenue regarding the royalty and production reporting modifications.

For more details on MLRS, including answers to frequently asked questions, updates on status and launch date, and to sign up for the MLRS e-newsletter, we encourage you to visit <a href="https://www.blm.gov/mlrs">https://www.blm.gov/mlrs</a>!

Sincerely,

Nicholas E. Douglas Assistant Director Energy, Minerals and Realty Management

Enclosure

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#### **Existing Serial Number Format**

The BLM began using serial numbers nationwide in 1908 and evolved its use of serial numbers based on multiple historical systems. The current LR2000 serial number is complex and includes the following data entry fields:

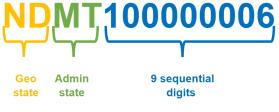
- 1. Geographic State: 2-digit alphabetic field
- 2. Land Office: 1- to 4-digit alphanumeric field
- 3. Prefix: optional 1-digit field, either a 0 or a blank field
- 4. Serial Nr: 6-digit numeric field
- 5. Suffix: optional 1- to 2-digit alphanumeric field

#### New Serial Number Format, coming early 2022

With the development of MLRS, the BLM is transforming the standardized serial number format nationwide. With MLRS, you will be able to manage all existing and future cases with the new unique MLRS-generated serial number along with your current LR2000 serial number. This means your existing cases will have two serial numbers: the current one you use today, and a new MLRS serial number. Cases created after the MLRS launch will only have one serial number. The new format can be seen in the diagram below.



Please take note of this new format and make any necessary adjustments to your internal systems to be able to accommodate this new format by early 2022.



The example shown here is in Geo State North Dakota + Admin State Montana

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#### **AFMSS Instructions**

- Remember, MLRS does not replace AFMSS. You will continue to use AFMSS to submit operational applications and notifications.
- Locate the serial number for your lease on the lease document shown in the image below.

Form 3100-11 UNITED STATES (October 2008) DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT	Serial Number	
OFFER TO LEASE AND LEASE FOR OIL AND GAS		
The undersigned (page 2) offers to lease all or any of the lands in Item 2 that are available for lease pursuant to the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920, as amended and supplemented (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.), the Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands of 1947, as amended (30 U.S.C. 351-359), or		
READ INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING  1. Name Street		
City, State, Zip Code		
2. This application/offer/lease is for: (Check Only One) PUBLIC DOMAIN LANDS ACQUIRED LANDS (percent U.S. interest)  Surface managing agency if other than Bureau of Land Management (BLM): Unit/Project  Legal description of land requested: *Parcel No.: *Sale Date (mm/dd/yyyy): *See Item 2 in Instructions below prior to completing Parcel Number and Sale Date.		
T. R. Meridian State Cour	nty	
	Fotal acres applied for Fotal \$	
DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE		

- If a case has an existing LR2000 serial number, operators will submit operational applications into AFMSS using the existing LR2000 serial number to avoid duplication.
- Only if a case does not have an LR2000 serial number will an operator enter a case into AFMSS using the new 13-digit MLRS serial number.
- All new cases created after the MLRS release in early 2022 will only have the 13-digit MLRS serial number.
- When entering the MLRS serial number into AFMSS, it does not matter how the number is entered as long as all 13-digits are entered into the system.
  - o For example, when entering the MLRS serial number NDMT123456789, you may enter the number as:

GeoState: ND

■ Land Office: MT12

Prefix: blank

Serial Nr: 345678

• Suffix: 9

• After submission, AFMSS will concatenate the above fields and return the correct serial number of NDMT123456789.