Leasing Activities Information

U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Office of Renewable Energy Programs

Instructions for Making Electronic Payments Bid Deposit, Bonus Bid Balance and Rental

Lease Sale Number ATLW-10 (Updated August 2024)

If you submit bid(s) for an OCS Renewable Energy Lease Sale, please read and comply with the following:

- (A) Complete within the required timeframe (as stated in the Final Sale Notice) a Bidder's Financial Form. Mail the completed, original form to the BOEM Office of Renewable Energy Programs Office as designated in the instructions.
- (B) A Bidder's Financial Form must be completed for each lease sale in which you are eligible to participate. This form establishes a designated authorized company representative to submit a bid deposit on behalf of the company and identifies the individuals who will participate in the sale auction. If this form is not completed and received by BOEM by the specified deadline, the company will be unable to participate in a lease sale.
- (C) Third Party Error: You will not be held responsible for a late payment due to mechanical or systems failure of the Pay.Gov Website, Fedwire Deposit System, Federal Reserve Communications System, or the Automated Clearing House System (ACH).

You are held responsible for accurate Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payments. Your responsibility extends to any bank payment message coding error that prevents the payment from reaching the appropriate Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) account. If a bank coding error is expected to prevent timely payment to ONRR, please contact the ONRR General Ledger at ONRR-RFMASGL@onrr.gov by email. You may also call Ms. Victoria Soto at (303) 231-3085.

Bid Deposit Payment

The OCS Final Sale Notice (FSN) mandates the use of these procedures in making payment of the bid deposit. Separate Pay.Gov bid deposit payments are required for each OCS Lease

Sale in which you are eligible to participate. If you submit bid(s) for an OCS renewable energy lease sale, please read and comply with the following:

- (A) A bid deposit can only be submitted by the authorized individual designated on the Bidder's Financial Form. An account for this individual will be setup by Pay.Gov using the email address specified on the form. Upon email notification from a representative from ONRR, the authorized individual will be able to setup an account with Pay.Gov and will be directly linked to the company for which they are bidding. Once all of these steps are completed, bidders may submit a bid deposit using the ONRR Renewable Energy Bid Deposit Form on Pay.Gov. (This form is only accessible to individuals who have registered with Pay.Gov.
 - (1) A Bidder's Financial Form must be completed for each lease sale and mailed to the BOEM Office of Renewable Energy by the date specified in the FSN.
- (B) Payment of the bid deposit amount as stated in the FSN must be made using the ONRR Renewable Energy Bid Deposit Form on Pay.Gov. All bid deposits must be submitted within the Pay.Gov system as outlined in the FSN. Before submitting payment via Pay.gov, please provide your bank the Agency Identification Number 1417000106 to authorize ACH debits. This will ensure payments you submit are not rejected by your bank.
 - (1) A bid deposit payment in the amount of \$5,000,000 must be submitted by the date designated in the FSN. The Pay.Gov bid deposit page will become inactive after the date designated in the FSN, and you will be unable to submit a bid deposit.
 - (2) If the bid deposit exceeds the bidder's total financial obligation, the balance of the bid deposit will be refunded.

Balance of the Bonus Bid Payment

As specified in the FSN, BOEM requires the use of Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) procedures when submitting the payment of the balance of the bonus bid amounts. If you submitted a high bid and it is deemed to be acceptable by BOEM, please read and comply with the following:

The ONRR considers every successful high bid to be a legally binding obligation on the part of the bidder(s) to comply with all applicable regulations, including paying the bid deposit balance on all high bids. Payment of the balance of the bonus bid must be by EFT, payable to ONRR. You must use either the **Fedwire Deposit System** (**Fl# 021030004**) or the **Automated Clearing House** (**ABA# 051036706**). Pay.gov may not be used for payment of the balance of the bonus bid. The Deputy Chief for Operations, Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf, of the Office of Renewable Energy Programs will advise you of bid acceptance. After notification, you must instruct your bank to make the EFT of the balance of the bonus bid payment to the appropriate United States Treasury account. Please note that there are limits on Fedwire and ACH payments. The limit for Fedwire payments is \$9,999,999,999.99 (one cent less than 10

billion) and the limit for ACH payments is \$99,999,999.99 (one cent less than 100 million.)

- (1) BOEM will issue an unsigned copy of the lease form to each winning bidder.
- (2) Your EFT payment of the balance of the bonus bid must be received in the appropriate United States Treasury Account no later than 6:00 pm Eastern Time, on the 10th business day after receipt of the lease forms by the successful bidder. A "business day" is a day on which the OCS Regional Office conducting the lease sale is open for business.
- (3) If your EFT payment is less than the amount due, you will have two days after the ONRR notifies you of the payment balance to pay the balance in full. However, ONRR will assess an interest charge on the amount of such balances pursuant to 30 CFR §1218.54 Late Payments.
 - (a) An interest charge shall be assessed on unpaid and underpaid amounts from the date the amounts are due.
 - (b) The interest charge on late payments shall be at the underpayment rate established by the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. 6621(a)(2) (Supp. 1987).
 - (c) Interest will be charged only on the amount of the payment not received, and interest will be charged only for the number of days the payment is late.
- (4) Failure to pay the balance of your bonus bid by EFT within the time specified above will result in forfeiture of your bid deposit and the authorized officer will not execute the lease.
- (5) One EFT payment for multiple leases is preferred. If there is not enough room in the beneficiary [Fedwire] or addendum [ACH] records to identify leases being paid off, supply lease numbers via email to ONRR-RFMASGL@onrr.gov.

A separate payment must be made for each lease sale.

First Year's Rental Payments

Pursuant to §30 CFR 585.500(c), BOEM requires the first year's rent be paid to ONRR following the schedule outlined in Addendum "B" of the lease:

(1) First year's rent amount, as specified in Addendum "B" of the lease, will be due to ONRR within 45 calendar days of receipt of the lease copies. This payment must be made on the Pay.Gov website using the ONRR Renewable Energy

Initial Rental Payment Form. This form can be found here: https://www.pay.gov/public/form/start/27797604.

Before submitting a first year's rent payment via Pay.gov, please provide your bank the Agency Identification Number 1417000104 for ONRR Renewable Energy Initial Rental Payments to authorize ACH debits. This will ensure payments you submit are not rejected by your bank.

- (2) Failure to pay rent within 45 calendar days, will result in assessed interest charges on late payments pursuant to §30 CFR 1218.54 Late Payments.
 - (a) An interest charge shall be assessed on unpaid and underpaid amounts from the date the amounts are due.
 - (b) The interest charge on late payments shall be at the underpayment rate established by the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. 6621(a)(2) (Supp. 1987).
 - (c) Interest will be charged only on the amount of the payment not received and interest will be charged only for the number of days the payment is late.

Subsequent Year's Rental Payments

Subsequent rent payments shall be paid annually to ONRR pursuant to §30 CFR 1218.51. These payments shall be made by EFT (Fedwire or ACH) and are due on or before the anniversary date of the lease. EFT instructions can be found on ONRR's website at: https://onrr.gov/ReportPay/payments.htm.

PAY.GOV ACH BID DEPOSIT PAGE INFORMATION

(This is the information necessary to complete the payment page for your Bid Deposit.)

Sample: Required Fields On Payment Page to Submit Your Bid Deposit

Account Holder Name Mr. John Doe

Account Type Personal Checking/Personal Savings/Business Checking/Business

Savings (dropdown box with these 4 choices only)

Routing Number XXXXXXXX (9 numbers)

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INSTRUCTION GUIDE FOR FEDWIRE DEPOSIT SYSTEM SALE PAYMENTS

BALANCE OF BONUS BID MESSAGE FORMAT

Fedwire Field Tag	Fedwire Field Name	Required Information
{2000}	Amount	\$999,999.99
{3400}	Receiver ABA routing number	021030004
{3400}	Receiver ABA short name	TREAS NYC
{3600}	Business Function Code	CTR
{4200}	Beneficiary Identifier	14170001
{4200}	Beneficiary Name	Department of the Interior Office of Natural Resources Revenue Denver, Colorado
{5000}	Originator	XYZOO Wind Company 12345 Pleasant Avenue Broncoville, HI 704-555-9999
{6000}	Originator to Beneficiary Information - Line 1	SaleXXXXX, QualXXXXX, Leases AXXXX,
{6000}	Originator to Beneficiary Information - Line 2	AXXXX, AXXXX, AXXXX,
{6000}	Originator to Beneficiary Information - Line 3	AXXXX, AXXXX, AXXXX

<u>Originator to Beneficiary</u> – You may email lease numbers to ONRR-RFMASGL@onrr.gov if there are too many characters to fit.

Sample: Message Format to Pay Balance of Bonus

BidAmount of Wire\$999,999.99Receiver FI021030004Business FunctionCTR

Beneficiary 14170001
Department of

Originator

Interior

Office of Natural Resources Revenue

Denver, CO XYZOO Wind

Company 12345 Pleasant Avenue

Broncoville, HI 704-555-9999

Originator to Beneficiary SaleATLW10, Qual15XXX, Lease A0508, AXXXX

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INSTRUCTION GUIDE FOR AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE SALE PAYMENTS

ACH FUNDS TRANSFER MESSAGE FORMAT (CCD)

The following form is designed as an aid for the OCS lease sale bidders in order to ensure that payment of the balance of the bonus bid amounts is made by providing complete and accurate data to their banks.

The following payment record format is for an ACH CCD+ (Cash Concentration and Disbursement plus Addendum).

Payment Record Format

Data Element Name	Contents
City, State	Riverdale, Maryland
RTN (Routing Number)	051036706
Receiver Name	Office of Natural Resources Revenue
Account Number	220037
Record Type Code	6
Transaction Code	22
Addenda Indicator	'1' [This indicates an Addenda Record is attached; you <i>must</i> attach an Addenda Record.]

Addenda Record Format for Balance of Bonus Bid

- 1- OCS Lease Sale Number, example 'SALEATLW10'
- 2- Company OCS Qualification Number, example 'QUAL 15XXX'
- Lease Serial Numbers, example 'Leases A00557*A00558'
- The following is an example of the "Payment Related" addenda record field:

SALEATLW10*QUAL15XXX*LeasesAXXXXXX*AXXXXX

The asterisks (*) are a separator and are required items.

If your bank is following NATCHA Format, it may require additional information; this information is acceptable. Any questions call the ONRR Point of Contact.