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212 DM 34

34.1 Delegation of Authority. The following authorities delegated to the Assistant Secretary – Policy, Management and Budget are further delegated through the Deputy Assistant Secretary – Natural Resources Revenue Management to the Director, Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR):

A. All of the administrative authorities contained in 212 DM 1 necessary to carry out the responsibilities of ONRR as described in 112 DM 34.

B. All of the program management authorities contained in 212 DM 1 necessary to carry out the responsibilities of ONRR as described in 112 DM 34. These include the authorities under the statutes listed in 112 DM 34 and the authorities listed below.

(1) Authority to establish a comprehensive minerals and energy revenue management system and to use that authority to ensure that the Government is paid timely and in full for the leasing and use of all mineral lands and areas used for energy production and for royalties, net profit shares, rentals, bonuses, interest, fees, and other payments owed to the United States or Indian lessors pursuant to leases, easements, or rights-of-way.

(2) Authority to redistribute on a timely and appropriate basis such amounts collected to states, Indians, and other authorized accounts.

(3) Authority to assess civil penalties, as authorized by law, and to settle and compromise disputed amounts of royalties, net profit shares, rentals, bonuses, interest and other fees and civil penalties where the amount of the settlement is less than \$1,000,000.00.

(4) Authority to carry out the provisions of 205 DM 7 – Claims by the U.S. for Property or Money as it pertains to the functional and management responsibilities in 112 DM 34.

C. The authority under the Buy Indian Act, 25 U.S.C. 47, permitting open market

purchasing of products and services produced and performed by Indian Industries; limiting competition to Indian enterprises while operating in complete compliance with the applicable procurement regulations. This authority is limited to mission requirements of ONRR.

34.2 Federal Register Documents. The Director, ONRR, is authorized to issue Federal Register notices that pertain to the responsibilities and functions assigned to ONRR. All proposed and final rules are issued by the Assistant Secretary – Policy, Management and Budget.

34.3 General Limitations. The authorities granted in 212 DM 34.1 are subject to the limitations contained in 212 DM 1 and do not include authority that may not be redelegated as set forth in 200 DM 1.

34.4 Redelegation. Except where redelegation is prohibited by statute, Executive Order, or limitations established by other competent authority, the authorities delegated in this chapter may be redelegated.