

ORDER NO. 3198

SIGNATURE DATE: March 12, 1996

Subject: Transfer of Helium Operations from the U.S. Bureau of Mines to the Bureau of Land Management

Sec. 1 **Purpose.** The purpose of this Order is to transfer Helium Operations from the U.S. Bureau of Mines to the Bureau of Land Management.

Sec. 2 **Authority.** This Order is issued in accordance with the authority provided by Section 2 of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1262), as amended.

Sec. 3 **Transfer of Function.** Helium Operations functions are hereby transferred from the U.S. Bureau of Mines to the Bureau of Land Management, reporting to the Deputy Director. All functions transferred shall lapse with respect to the U.S. Bureau of Mines.

Sec. 4 **Delegations.** The Director, Bureau of Land Management, is delegated through the Assistant Secretary - Land and Minerals Management all the authority necessary to carry out the responsibilities of the transferred functions. These authorities can be redelegated.

Sec. 5 **Implementation.** The Assistant Secretary - Policy, Management and Budget is responsible for ensuring implementation of this Order, including the appropriate transfer of personnel, funds, facilities, programs, records, and property.

Sec. 6 **Effective Date.** This Order is effective immediately. It will remain in effect until its provisions are converted to the Departmental Manual, or until it is amended, superseded or revoked, whichever comes first. In the absence of the foregoing action, the provisions of this Order will terminate and be considered obsolete on March 1, 1997.

/s/ Bruce Babbitt
Secretary of the Interior

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