

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
Washington

ORDER NO. 3260

SIGNATURE DATE: April 14, 2005

Subject: Realignment of the Indian Energy and Mineral Resources Functions

Sec. 1 **Purpose.** This Order establishes the Office of Indian Energy Resource Development and realigns certain energy and mineral resources functions under the purview of the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs.

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

Sec. 3 **Organizational Changes.**

a. The Office of Indian Energy Resource Development is established in the Office of the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs, Deputy Assistant Secretary - Policy and Economic Development.

(1) The Office is responsible for providing assistance to tribes for energy planning, development, and marketing; and integrating that effort with the Assistant Secretary's overall economic development program.

(2) In providing a focal point for energy development, the Office also provides direction and oversight of programs, policies, and initiatives related to sustainable energy opportunities; and it ensures tribal opportunities for involvement in energy business opportunities.

(3) The Office is headed by a Director and includes the Division of Energy Development Policy in Washington, DC, and the Division of Energy and Mineral Resources Management in Lakewood, CO.

b. The Division of Energy and Mineral Resources Management, currently assigned to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Deputy Director, Trust Services is realigned and reports to the Office of the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs, Deputy Assistant Secretary - Policy and Economic Development, Office of Indian Energy Resource Development. The Division is located in Lakewood, CO, and remains in the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Sec. 4 **Delegation.** The authority of the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs is delegated to the Deputy Assistant Secretary - Policy and Economic Development to carry out the responsibilities for energy and mineral resources development and management.

Sec. 5 **Implementation.** The Deputy Assistant Secretary - Management is responsible for implementing this Order, including the appropriate transfer of personnel, funds, programs, records, and property.

Sec. 6 **Expiration 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 It will remain in effect until its provisions are converted to the Departmental Manual or until it is amended, superseded, or revoked, whichever occurs first. In the absence of any of the foregoing actions, the provisions of this Order will terminate and be considered obsolete on March 1, 2006. The termination of this Order will not nullify the realignment effected herein.

/s/ Gale A. Norton
Secretary of the Interior

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