

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
Washington

ORDER NO. 3264

SIGNATURE DATE: September 29, 2005

Subject: Realignment of the Interior Franchise Fund into the National Business Center

Sec. 1 **Purpose.** This Order authorizes the realignment of the Interior Franchise Fund and its component business lines from the Minerals Management Service into the National Business Center. The realignment will enable the Department to consolidate acquisition services in support of the delivery of effective and efficient services that are compliant with acquisition laws and regulatory requirements, competitive and responsive to customer needs. Additionally, the consolidation will help provide a broad spectrum of acquisition expertise to address Interior and other customers' needs with uniform procedures and cost rates.

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

- a. A transition team will be established to coordinate and implement the realignment.
- b. The completion date for the realignment is October 2, 2005.

Sec. 4 **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 It will remain in effect until its provisions are converted to the Departmental Manual or until it is amended, superseded, or revoked, whichever occurs first.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 July 31, 2007. The termination of this Order will not nullify the realignment effected herein.

/s/ Gale A. Norton
Secretary of the Interior

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