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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement

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OMB Control Number 1014-0026]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Application for Permit to Modify (APM) and Supporting Documentation

AGENCY: Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) proposes to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [**INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].**

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Please provide a copy of your comments to Kelly Odom, Acting BSEE ICCO, 45600 Woodland Road, Sterling, VA 20166; or by email to Kelly.Odom@bsee.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1014-0026 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Kelly Odom by email at Kelly.Odom@bsee.gov, or by telephone at (703)

787-1775. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States. You may also view the ICR at http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the PRA and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

A *Federal Register* notice with a 60-day public comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on December 22, 2025 (90 FR 59865).

As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we are again soliciting comments from the public and other Federal agencies on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following:

(1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) How might the agency minimize the burden of the collection of information on those

who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of response.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Abstract: The regulations at 30 CFR 250 stipulate the various requirements that must be submitted with an APM. The form and the numerous submittals that are included and/or attached to the form are the subject of this collection. This request also covers related Notices to Lessees and Operators (NTLs) that BSEE issues to clarify, supplement, or provide additional guidance on some aspects of our regulations.

The BSEE uses the information to ensure safe well control, completion, workover, and decommissioning operations and to protect the human, marine, and coastal environment. Among other things, BSEE specifically uses the information to ensure: the well control, completion, workover, and decommissioning unit (drilling/well operations) is fit for the intended purpose; equipment is maintained in a state of readiness and meets safety standards; each drilling/well operation crew is properly trained and able to promptly perform well-control activities at any time during well operations; compliance with safety standards; and the current regulations will provide for safe and proper field or reservoir development, resource evaluation, conservation, protection of correlative rights, safety, and environmental protection. We also review well records to ascertain whether the operations have encountered hydrocarbons or H2S and to ensure that H2S detection equipment, personnel

protective equipment, and training of the crew are adequate for safe operations in zones known to contain H2S and zones where the presence of H2S is unknown.

Title of Collection: 30 CFR Part 250, Application for Permit to Modify (APM) and supporting documentation.

OMB Control Number: 1014-0026.

Form Number: BSEE-0124

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Potential respondents include Federal OCS oil, gas, and sulfur lessees and/or operators and holders of pipeline rights-of-way.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: Currently there are approximately 555 Federal OCS oil, gas, and sulfur lessees and holders of pipeline rights-of-way. Not all the potential respondents will submit information in any given year, and some may submit multiple times.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 12,388.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: Varies from 0 minutes to 6,252 hours, depending on activity.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 31,472.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Frequency of Collection: Generally, on occasion and varies by section.

Total Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost: $5,483,295.

Citation 30 CFR 250 APM's	**Reporting or Recordkeeping Requirement***	**Hour Burden**	**Average No. of Annual Responses**	**Annual Burden Hours (Rounded)**
		Non-Hour Cost Burdens		
Subparts D, E, F, G, H, Q	Submit APM plans (BSEE-0124). (This burden represents only the filling out of the form, the requirements are listed separately below).	1 hour	1,471 applications	1,471

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		Non-Hour Cost Burdens		
		1,471 applications x $145 application fee = $213,295		
Subparts D, E, F, G, H, Q	Submit Revised APM plans (BSEE-0124). (This burden represents only the filling out of the form, the requirements are listed separately below) [no fee charged].	1 hour	2,235 applications	2,235
	Subtotal		3,706 Responses	3,706 hours
			$213,295 non-hour cost burdens	
Subpart A				
125	Submit evidence of your fee for services receipt.	Exempt under 5 CFR 1320.3(h).		0
197	Written confidentiality agreement.	Exempt under 5 CFR 1320.5(h).		0
199	PRA List of Information Collections (IC)	Exempt under 5 CFR 1320.5(h)		0
Subpart B				
201	Approved before well completion.	Exempt under 5 CFR 1320.3(h)		0
220(b)	The DWOP process does not replace the requirements of BSEE's APMs.	Exempt under 5 CFR 1320.3(h)		0
226	New or Unusual Conception Plan must be approved prior to APM.	Exempt under 5 CFR 1320.3(h)		0
Subpart D				
460(a); 465	There are some regulatory requirements that give respondents the option of submitting information with either their APD or APM; industry advised us that when it comes to this particular subpart, they submit a Revised APD.	Burden covered under 30 CFR 250, 1014-0025.		0
	Subtotal of Subpart D		0 responses	0 hour burdens
Subpart E				
513	Obtain written approval for well-completion operations. Submit information, including but not limited to, request for completion (including changes); description of well-completion procedures; statement of expected surface pressure, type and weight of completion fluids; schematic drawing; a partial electric log; H2S presence or if unknown, service fee receipt.	1 hour	150 submittals	150
518(f)	Submit descriptions and calculations of production packer setting depth(s).	2.25 hours	43 submittals	97

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		Non-Hour Cost Burdens		
526(a)	Submit a notification of corrective action of the diagnostic test.	0 mins.	58 notifications	0
	Subtotal of Subpart E		251 responses	247 hour burdens
	Subpart F			
613(a), (b)	Request approval to begin other than normal workover, which includes description of procedures, changes in equipment, schematic, info about H2S, etc.	5.25 hour	687 requests	3,607
613(c)	If completing a new zone, submit reason for abandonment and statement of pressure data.	2.5 hours	167 submittals	418
613(d)	Submit work as performed 30 days after completing the well-workover operation.	2 hours	646 submittals	1,292
619(f)	Submit descriptions and calculations of production packer setting depth(s).	1.38 hours	43 submittals	59
	Subtotal of Subpart F		1,543 responses	5,376 hour burdens
	Subpart G			
701	Identify and discuss your proposed alternate procedures or equipment [the request to use alternative procedures/equipment is covered under 1014-0022]	3.25 hours	67 submittals	218
702	Identify and discuss the departure from requirements [the request to depart from requirements is covered under 1014-0022]	1.75 hours	47 submittals	82
713	Submit required information to use a MODU for well operations, including fitness & foundation requirements, contingency plan for moving off location, current monitoring (description of specific current speeds & specific measures to curtail rig operations and move off location).	1.5 hours	180 Submittals	270
720(b)	Obtain approval to displace kill weight fluid with detailed step-by-step written procedures that include, but are not limited to, number of barriers, tests, BOP procedures, fluid volumes entering and leaving wellbore procedures.	1.5 hours	129 submittals	194
721(g)	Request approval for test procedures and criteria for a successful negative pressure test, including any changes.	1 hour	325 requests	325
731	Submit complete description of BOP system and components; schematic drawings; certification by ITP	5 hours	170 submittals	850

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	(additional ITP if BOP is subsea, in HTHP, or surface on floating facility); autoshear, deadman, EDS systems.	$31,000 x 170 submittals = $5,270,000		
732(b) and (c)	Submit independent third party qualifications to BSEE with the associated permit application.	4.25	1,471	6,252
733	Description of annulus monitoring plan and how you will secure the well in the event a leak is detected.	0.5 hour	212 submittals	106
737(d)(2)	Submit test procedures for District Manager approval for initial test when using water on surface BOP.	0.5 hour	41 submittals	21
737(d)(3)	Submit test procedures for District Manager approval to stump test a subsea BOP; including how you will test each ROV function for approval.	0.5 hour	39 submittals	20
737(d)(4)	Submit test procedures for District Manager approval to perform an initial subsea BOP test; including how you will test each ROV function for approval.	0.5 hour	41 submittals	21
737(d)(12)	Submit test procedures for District Manager approval, including schematics of the actual controls and circuitry of the system used during an actual autoshear or deadman event.	1 hour	223 submittals	223
738(m)	Request approval from District Manager to utilize other well-control equipment; include report from BAVO on equipment design & suitability; other information required by District Manager.	2 hours	266 requests	532
738(n)	Indicate which pipe/variable bore rams have no current utility or well-control purposes.	0.75 hour	223 submittals	167
750(a)	Request approval to conduct operations without downhole check valves, describe alternate procedures and equipment.	1.5 hours	640 requests	960
	Subtotal of Subpart G		4,074 responses	10,241 hour burdens
			$5,270,000 non-hour costs burden	
	Subpart H			
813	May submit an APM for approval to equip a dry tree well with a subsurface-controlled SSSV		0	0
817(a)	You may remove a wireline subsurface safety device for a routine operation not requiring approval of a AMP.		0	0
828(b)	Well must not be open to flow while an SSSV is inoperable, unless specifiallly approved by an APM.		0	0

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		Non-Hour Cost Burdens		
	Subtotal of Subpart H		0 responses	0 hour burdens
	Subpart Q			
1704	Request approval of well abandonment operations.	4.25 hours	604 requests	2,567
1704(h)	Submit with a final well schematic, description, nature and quantities of material used; relating to casing string - description of methods used, size and amount of casing and depth.	3.13 hours	368 submittals	1,152
1712; 1704(h)	Obtain and receive approval before permanently plugging a well or zone. Include in request, but not limited to, reason plugging well, with relevant information; well test and pressure data; type and weight of well control fluid; a schematic listing mud and cement properties; plus testing plans. Submit Certification by a Registered Professional Engineer of the well abandonment design and procedures; certify the design	5.25 hours	215 certifications	1,129
	Obtain and receive approval before permanently plugging a well or zone. Include in request, but not limited to max surface pressure and determination; description of work; well depth, perforated intervals; casing and tubing depths/details, plus locations, types, lengths, etc.	2.75 hours	375 submittals	1,031
1721; 1704(h)	Submit the applicable information required to temporarily abandon a well for approval; after temporarily plugging a well, submit well schematic, description of remaining subsea wellheads, casing stubs, mudline suspension equipment and required information of this section; submit certification by a Registered Professional Engineer of the well abandonment design and procedures; certify design.	5.25 hours	1,094 submittals	5,744
1722(a)	Request approval to install a subsea protective device.	1.25 hours	15 requests	19
1723(b)	Submit a request to perform work to remove casing stub, mudline equipment, and/or subsea protective covering.	1.75 hours	138 requests	242
1743(a)	Submit signed certification; date of verification work and vessel; area surveyed; method used; results of survey including debris or statement that no objects were recover; a post-trawling plot or map showing area.	3.63 hours	5 certifications	18

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		Non-Hour Cost Burdens		
	Subtotal of Subpart Q		2,814 responses	11,902 hour burdens
Total Burden			**12,388 Responses**	**31,472 Burden Hours**
			$5,483,295 non-hour cost burdens	

An agency may not conduct, or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

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