



BULLETIN

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Subject: NIGC Fee Rate and Fingerprint Fees

The National Indian Gaming Commission (Commission) has adopted its annual fee rates of 0.00% for tier 1 and 0.062% (.00062) for tier 2, which remain the same as current fee rates. The tier 2 annual fee rate maintains the lowest fee rate adopted by the Commission since 2010. These rates shall apply to all assessable gross revenues from each gaming operation under the jurisdiction of the Commission. If a tribe has a certificate of self-regulation under 25 CFR part 518, the fee rate on Class II revenues shall be 0.031% (.00031), which is one-half of the annual fee rate.

The fee rates being adopted here are effective November 1, 2018, and will remain in effect until new rates are adopted.

On January 22, 2018, the Commission published changes to the fees regulations 25 C.F.R. Part 514 in the Federal Register (83 FR 2903) which simplify the fee rate analysis and publication process by providing that the Commission will adopt a fee rate no later than November 1st of each year.

The NIGC has implemented an electronic payment system through Pay.gov in 2014. The system can be used for the quarterly payment of annual fees and submission of associated worksheets. Tribes interested in using the new Pay.gov electronic payment system should visit www.pay.gov and select the NIGC using the tab *Find an Agency*. Additionally, tribes can visit the Commission's website at www.nigc.gov for details on how to sign into the system, what information is required to be submitted and how to handle changes or corrections to submissions. Use of this system is optional and paper worksheets and fee payments by check will still be accepted. Please provide the following identifying information: name, address, and telephone number of the gaming operation; name of licensing tribe; and the name, telephone number, and email address of contact person, and remit quarterly fee payments to:

National Indian Gaming Commission
Attn.: Division of Finance
1849 C Street NW

Mail Stop #1621
Washington, DC 20240

Pursuant to 25 C.F.R. 514.4, please be sure to use the appropriate fiscal year as the base period for determining fee payments. Please note the new regulations define the fiscal year used in calculating the annual fee so that one fee rate is applied consistently to a gaming operation's assessable gross revenues for one fiscal year.

The National Indian Gaming Commission has also adopted its fingerprint processing fees of \$18 per card effective November 1, 2018. These fees remain the same as current fingerprint processing fees. Pursuant to 25 C.F.R. Part 514, the Commission regularly reviews the cost of processing fingerprint cards and sets a fee based on the amount charged by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and costs incurred by the Commission. Commission costs include Commission personnel, supplies, equipment costs, and postage to submit the results to the requesting tribe.

The announcement of the fee rate and fingerprint fees will be published in the Federal Register and the notice will be posted to the NIGC website as soon as it is available.

Should you have any questions, please contact Yvonne Lee, National Indian Gaming Commission, 1849 C Street NW, Mail Stop #1621, Washington, DC 20240; telephone (202) 632-7003; fax (202) 632-7066; email fee_questions@nigc.gov.

contains approximately 4.68 million tons of recoverable Federal coal resources. The coal resources to be offered are limited to coal recoverable by underground mining methods.

The Federal coal resources are located in Routt County, Colorado

Sixth Prime Meridian

T5N, R86W;

Sec 22: E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,
NE $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec 23: N $\frac{1}{2}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

These lands contain 640 acres, more or less.

The EA addresses natural resource, cultural, socioeconomic, environmental and cumulative impacts that would result from leasing these lands. Two alternatives are addressed in the EA:

Alternative 1: (Proposed Action) The tract would be leased as requested in the application; and

Alternative 2: (No Action) The application would be rejected or denied and the subsurface Federal coal reserves would be bypassed.

Proprietary information or data marked as confidential may be submitted to the BLM in response to this solicitation of comments. Information and data marked confidential will be treated in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations governing the confidentiality of such information or data. A copy of the comments submitted by the public on the EA, FMV, and MER for the tract, except those portions identified as proprietary by the author and meeting exemptions in the Freedom of Information Act, will be available for public inspection at the BLM LSFO, at the address listed above, during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

Comments on the EA, FMV and MER should address, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

1. The quality and quantity of the Federal coal resources;
2. The mining methods or methods to be employed to obtain the MER of the coal, including the name of the coal bed(s) to be mined, timing and rate of production, restriction of mining, and the inclusion of the tracts in an existing mining operation;
3. The price the mined coal would bring when sold;
4. Costs, including mining and reclamation costs, of producing the coal and the anticipated timing of production;
5. The percentage rate at which anticipated income streams should be discounted, either with inflation, or in absence of inflation, in which case the

anticipated rate of inflation should be given;

6. Depreciation, depletion, amortization and other tax accounting factors; and

7. The value of any privately held mineral or surface estate in the Foidel Creek Mine area.

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. 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.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6, 43 CFR 3425.3 and 3425.4.

Gregory P. Shoop,

Acting BLM Colorado State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Indian Gaming Commission

Fee Rate and Fingerprint Fees

AGENCY: National Indian Gaming Commission, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the National Indian Gaming Commission has adopted its annual fee rates of 0.00% for tier 1 and 0.062% (.00062) for tier 2, which remain the same as current fee rates. The tier 2 annual fee rate represents the lowest fee rate adopted by the Commission since 2010. These rates shall apply to all assessable gross revenues from each gaming operation under the jurisdiction of the Commission. If a tribe has a certificate of self-regulation, the fee rate on Class II revenues shall be 0.031% (.00031) which is one-half of the annual fee rate. The fee rates being adopted here are effective November 1, 2018, and will remain in effect until new rates are adopted.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) established the National Indian Gaming Commission, which is charged with regulating gaming on Indian lands.

Commission regulations (25 CFR 514) provide for a system of fee assessment and payment that is self-administered by gaming operations. Pursuant to those regulations, the Commission is required to adopt and communicate assessment rates and the gaming operations are required to apply those rates to their revenues, compute the fees to be paid, report the revenues, and remit the fees to the Commission. All gaming operations within the jurisdiction of the Commission are required to self-administer the provisions of these regulations, and report and pay any fees that are due to the Commission.

Pursuant to 25 CFR 514, the Commission must also review regularly the costs involved in processing fingerprint cards and set a fee based on fees charged by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and costs incurred by the Commission. Commission costs include Commission personnel, supplies, equipment costs, and postage to submit the results to the requesting tribe.

Dated: October 26, 2018.

Jonodev Osceola Chaudhuri,
Chairman.

Dated: October 26, 2018.

Kathryn C. Isom-Clause,
Vice Chair.

Dated: October 26, 2018.

E. Sequoyah Simermeyer,
Associate Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Notice on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sales

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Interior.

ACTION: List of Restricted Joint Bidders.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) regulatory restrictions on joint bidding, the Director of the BOEM is publishing a List of Restricted Joint Bidders. Each entity within one of the following groups is restricted from bidding with any entity in any of the other following groups at Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales to be held during the bidding period November 1, 2018, through April 30, 2019.