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35 STATES RECEIVE RECORD \$800 MILLION IN 2000
AS SHARE OF FEDERAL MINERAL REVENUES

A record \$800 million was distributed to 35 states by the U.S. Department of the Interior's Minerals Management Service during 2000. The money represented their cumulative share of revenues collected for mineral production on federal lands located within their borders and from federal offshore lands adjacent to their shores.

"Because of increased prices, we collected and therefore shared more revenues with the states," explained Acting MMS Director Thomas R. Kitsos. "Amounts vary according to production and market prices. \$541 million was distributed to states in 1999, \$559 million in 1998 and \$617 million in 1997."

The MMS is responsible for collecting, accounting for, auditing and disbursing revenues associated with mineral leases on federal and Indian lands. Disbursements are made to states on a monthly basis, as bonuses, rents, royalties and other revenues are collected.

A state is entitled to a share of the mineral revenues collected from federal lands located within that state's boundaries. For the majority of federal lands, states and the federal government share the revenues: 50 percent to the state, 40 percent to the Reclamation Fund for water projects, and 10 percent to the General Fund of the U.S. Treasury. One exception, Alaska, gets a 90-percent share, as prescribed by the Alaska Statehood Act.

Certain coastal states with federal offshore tracts adjacent to their seaward boundaries receive 27 percent of those mineral royalties as well. Remaining offshore revenues are deposited in special accounts of the U.S. Treasury, including the General Fund, the Land and Water Conservation Fund and the Historic Preservation Fund.

Alabama	\$14,935,610.13	Louisiana	\$19,002,684.40	Oklahoma	\$2,524,092.05
Alaska	\$5,407,073.73	Michigan	\$479,530.02	Oregon	\$45,109.07
Arizona	\$62,836.48	Minnesota	\$12,536.11	Pennsylvania	\$20,191.04
Arkansas	\$1,430,018.03	Mississippi	\$1,162,688.16	South Dakota	\$536,605.57
California	\$24,882,585.36	Missouri	\$877,602.56	Tennessee	\$6,582.31
Colorado	\$47,123,514.85	Montana	\$21,965,850.59	Texas	\$16,867,520.93
Florida	\$7,972.01	Nebraska	\$15,139.06	Utah	\$37,184,986.28
Georgia	\$54.51	Nevada	\$2,905,398.33	Virginia	\$155,757.47
Idaho	\$2,188,283.72	New Mexico	\$258,585,797.99	Washington	\$1,677,029.22
Illinois	\$139,593.58	North Carolina	\$118.51	West Virginia	\$259,214.44

Kansas	\$1,474,974.03	North Dakota	\$4,639,925.36	Wyoming	\$333,553,356.79
Kentucky	\$47,470.66	Ohio	\$137,721.51	Total	\$800,315,424.86

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