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## **ONRR Issues \$19,508 Civil Penalty to HRM Resources *Company cited for failure to correct production reports***

**DENVER** – The Department of the Interior’s Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) announced that it has assessed HRM Resources LLC a \$19,508 civil penalty for failure to timely correct production reports.

HRM Resources was issued the civil penalty after it failed to comply with a June 15, 2012, Notice of Noncompliance that cited the company for failure to correct production reporting on Oil and Gas Operations Reports for two Federal Agreements.

“Correct production reporting is essential for ONRR to determine if proper royalties are paid for the development of domestic energy resources,” ONRR Director Greg Gould said. “ONRR remains committed to collecting every dollar due to the American taxpayer.”

ONRR contacted HRM Resources several times, before and after the Notice of Noncompliance was issued, in an attempt to avoid or mitigate its penalty liability. The company’s continued noncompliance prompted the civil penalty.

The civil penalty covers the period beginning June 21, 2012 – the day following the company’s receipt of the Notice of Noncompliance – to Feb. 4, 2013, when full compliance was achieved. ONRR determined the civil penalty based on the company’s size and its violation history.

The company – headquartered in Denver, Colo. – may request a hearing on the civil penalty.

The Office of Natural Resources Revenue, part of the Department’s Office of Policy, Management and Budget, is responsible for collecting and disbursing revenues from energy production that occurs onshore on Federal and American Indian lands, and offshore in the Outer Continental Shelf. During Fiscal Year 2012, the agency disbursed more than \$12.15 billion to states, American Indian Tribes and individual Indian mineral owners, and to various Federal accounts, including the U.S. Treasury, the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and the Reclamation Fund.

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