

§ 3195.20

FEDERAL AGENCY REQUIREMENTS

§ 3195.20 Who must purchase major helium requirements from Federal helium suppliers?

- (a) The Department of Defense;
- (b) The National Aeronautics and Space Administration;
- (c) The Department of Energy;
- (d) Any other Federal agency; and
- (e) Federal agency contractors.

§ 3195.21 When must I use an authorized Federal helium supplier?

You must use an authorized Federal helium supplier for any major helium requirement.

§ 3195.22 When must my contractors or subcontractors use an authorized Federal helium supplier?

An authorized Federal helium supplier must be used whenever the contractor or subcontractor uses a major helium requirement in performance of a Federal contract.

§ 3195.23 How do I get a list of authorized Federal helium suppliers?

You must request the list from BLM in writing.

§ 3195.24 What must I do before contacting a non-Federal helium supplier for my helium needs?

You must make an initial determination about the annual helium demand for each helium use location for the expected life of the purchase order/contract. If the annual helium demand for a helium use location is a major helium requirement, it must be supplied by a Federal helium supplier.

§ 3195.25 What information must be in my purchase order/contract for a major helium requirement?

A purchase order/contract must state each helium use location and whether the anticipated demand exceeds the amount defined as a major helium requirement at each helium use location.

§ 3195.26 What information must I report to BLM?

In accordance with the In-Kind Crude Helium Sales Contract, within 45 days of the end of each quarter, you must report to BLM (see §3195.13) the following:

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(a) The name of the company from which you purchased a major helium requirement;

(b) The amount of helium you purchased and the date it was delivered; and

(c) The helium use location.

§ 3195.27 What do I do if my helium requirement becomes a major helium requirement after the initial determination has been made?

As soon as you determine that your forecasted demand of helium for a particular helium use location will become a major helium requirement, you must purchase your helium (for that helium use location) from an authorized Federal helium supplier for the remainder of the purchase order/contract as a major helium requirement.

FEDERAL HELIUM SUPPLIER REQUIREMENTS

§ 3195.30 How do I apply to become a Federal helium supplier?

In order to become a Federal helium supplier,

(a) You must be a private helium merchant and demonstrate to BLM in writing that you have:

(1) Adequate financial resources to pay for BLM helium and helium related services;

(2) Adequate facilities and equipment to meet delivery schedules and quality standards required by Federal helium buyers; and

(3) A satisfactory record of performance in the distribution of helium or other compressed gases.

(b) You must fill out and execute BLM's In-Kind Crude Helium Sales Contract and submit it to BLM for approval.

§ 3195.31 What are the general terms of an In-Kind Crude Helium Sales Contract?

A BLM helium In-Kind Crude Helium Sales Contract requires you to:

(a) Deliver helium to a Federal agency specified helium use location;

(b) Purchase crude helium from BLM equivalent to the amount of refined helium you sold to Federal agencies;

(c) Report to BLM the amount of refined helium you sold to Federal agencies; and