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**Department of the Interior Releases Energy Burdens Report**  
*Outlines progress to achieve American Energy Dominance*

(WASHINGTON) Today, the U.S. Department of the Interior released the the "Review of the Department of the Interior Actions that Potentially Burden Domestic Energy" report which was produced in response to Executive Order 13783. The report identified agency actions that potentially burden the development or use of domestically produced energy resources, with particular attention to oil, natural gas, coal, and nuclear energy resources. The Interior oversees America's oil, gas, coal, hydropower, and renewable energy resources which accounts for almost one-fifth of the Nation's energy and generates more than \$10 billion per year in annual revenue.

The report identified a number of burdens that specifically impede the production of and transportation of energy resources, including, but not limited to:

**Burdens and Actions**

- **Burden:** Obama-Era 5-Year Plan which put 94% of the Outer Continental Shelf off-limits
- **Why:**
- **Action:** Secretarial Order 3350: America-First Offshore Energy Strategy
  - **Burden:** Federal Coal Lease Moratorium (Secretarial Order 3338 Discretionary Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement to Modernize the Federal Coal Program)
  - **Why:**
  - **Action:**
  - **Burden:** Hydraulic Fracturing on Federal and Indian Lands Rule (RIN 1004-AE26) and Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation AKA the Venting and Flaring Rule RIN 1004-AE14)
  - **Why:**
  - **Action:** Secretarial Order 3349: American Energy Independence put the rules under review and subsequent action by the Department
    - Fracking: Following the initial review, the BLM rescinded the rule on July 25th
    - Venting and Flaring: On October 5, 2017, the BLM issued a proposed rule seeking comment on temporarily suspending or delaying certain requirements of the rule.
- **Burden:** Unnecessarily lengthy NEPA reviews delay projects

- **Why:**
- **Action:**
  
- **Burden:** Holding energy producers hostage via Compensatory Mitigation (Secretarial Order 3330)
- **Why:**
- **Action:**
  
- **Burden:** Systematic delays in the leasing program and permitting process
- **Why:**
- **Action:** Secretarial Order 3354 Supporting and Improving the Federal Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing Program and Federal Solid Mineral Leasing Program

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