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not under any agreement or understanding with another.

(11) The serial numbers of all other applications filed or leases obtained under this act by applicant, or applicant's spouse or business associate, or in which applicant has a direct or indirect interest.

(12) The showing as to hot or medicinal springs required by §2311.2(a) of this chapter.

(13) All applications must be accompanied by an application service fee of \$10 which will not be returnable.

(c) *Form of lease; rental and royalty; report of annual operations.* (1) Leases will be issued on a form approved by the Director.

(2) Prior to the issuance of a lease and annually thereafter, the lessee shall pay an advance rental of \$5 per annum if the lease embraces 10 acres or less, a rental of \$25 per annum if the leased area is more than 10 acres but not more than 640 acres, and a rental of \$50 per annum if the leased area exceeds 640 acres.

(3) Within 60 days after the end of each lease year the lessee shall file with the land office a report on a form approved by the Director, in duplicate, showing his operations under the lease and his gross receipts thereunder from the sale of live animals and pelts for the preceding lease year. The lessee shall pay, at the time of filing the report, a royalty of 1 percent of such gross receipts deducting therefrom the amount of the advance rental payment made for such preceding lease year.

§ 2916.2-2 Assignments and subleases.

A proposed assignment on a lease, in whole or in part, or a sublease, must be filed in duplicate with the proper office within 90 days from the date of its execution; must contain all of the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties thereto; and must be supported by a statement that the assignee or sublessee agrees to be bound by the provisions of the lease. The assignee or sublessee must submit with the assignment or sublease the information or statements required by §2916.2-1(b) (1), (2), (4), (5), (10), and (11). No assignment or sublease will be recognized unless

and until approved by the authorizing officer.

(Sec. 2, 44 Stat. 822; 48 U.S.C. 361)

§ 2916.2-3 Renewal of leases.

Upon an application filed in the proper office within 90 days preceding the expiration date of the lease, if it is determined that a renewal lease should be granted, the lessee will be offered such lease by the authorized officer, upon such terms and conditions and for such duration as may be fixed, not exceeding 10 years. The filing of an application for renewal does not confer on the lessee any preference right to a renewal. The timely filing of an application will, however authorize the exclusive fur-farming use of the lands by the lessee in accordance with the terms of the prior lease pending final action on the renewal application.

§ 2916.2-4 Termination of lease; cancellation.

(a) *Action by authorized officer.* (1) The authorized officer may terminate a lease at the request of the lessee if the lessee shall make satisfactory showing that such termination will not adversely affect the public interest and that he has paid all charges due the Government thereunder.

(2) A lease may be canceled if the lessee shall fail to comply with any of the provisions of this part or of the lease, or shall devote the lease area primarily to any purpose other than the rearing of fur-bearing animals as authorized. No lease will be canceled until the lessee has been formally notified of such default and such default shall continue for 60 days after service of such notice.

(b) *Removal of improvements and personal property.* (1) Improvements or personal property may not be removed from the lands, except fur-bearing animals disposed of in the regular course of business, unless all moneys due the United States under the lease have been paid. The lessee shall be allowed 90 days from the date of expiration or termination of the lease within which to remove his personal property and such improvements as are not disposed of in the manner set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, which he has a

right to remove; if not removed or otherwise disposed of within the said period, such improvements or personal property shall become the property of the United States.

(2) Upon the expiration of the lease or the earlier termination thereof, the authorizing officer may, in his discretion and upon a written petition filed by the lessee within 30 days from the date of such expiration or termination, require the subsequent lease applicant, prior to the execution of a new lease, to agree to compensate the lessee for any improvements of a permanent nature that he may have placed upon the leased area for fur-farming purposes during the period of the lease. If the interested parties are unable to reach an agreement as to the amount of compensation, the amount shall be fixed by the authorizing officer. All such agreements to be effective, must be approved by the authorizing officer. The failure of the subsequent lessee to pay the former lessee in accordance with such agreement will be just cause for cancellation of the lease.

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§ 2920.0–1 Purpose.

The purpose of the regulations in this part is to establish procedures for the orderly and timely processing of proposals for non-Federal use of the public lands. The procedural and informational requirements set by these regulations vary in relation to the nature of the anticipated use.

§ 2920.0–3 Authority.

Sections 302, 303 and 310 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1732, 1733, 1740) authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations providing for the use, occupancy, and development of the public lands through leases, permits, and easements.

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§ 2920.0–5 Definitions.

As used in this part, the term:

(a) *Authorized officer* means any employee of the Bureau of Land Management to whom has been delegated the authority to perform the duties described in this part.

(b) *Easement* means an authorization for a non-possessory, non-exclusive interest in lands which specifies the rights of the holder and the obligation of the Bureau of Land Management to use and manage the lands in a manner consistent with the terms of the easement.

(c) *Lease* means an authorization to possess and use public lands for a fixed period of time.

(d) *Permit* means a short-term revocable authorization to use public lands for specified purposes.