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The U.S. Department of the Interior's Minerals Management Service's *Minerals Revenues 1997 Report On Receipts From Federal And Indian Leases*, is now available in both electronic and print versions.

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The 1997 publication, and earlier editions, are now available on MMS's Internet site at http://www.mrm.mms.gov/library/statroom/statsrm.htm.

Hard copies of the 1997 report are available, free of charge, by writing or calling:

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MMS is the federal agency that manages the Nation's natural gas, oil and other mineral resources on the Outer Continental Shelf; and collects, accounts for, and disburses about \$6 billion in revenues each year from federal offshore mineral leases and from onshore mineral leases on federal and Indian lands.