

# Summary: Investigation of Inaccurate Oil and Gas Production Reporting

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At the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) request, OIG investigated an oil and gas company operating on Federal leases in Wyoming for knowingly submitting inaccurate production reports to the Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR).

During our initial meeting with company representatives, they reported that while preparing for the meeting with OIG, they discovered that the company had submitted inaccurate Oil and Gas Operations Reports (OGORs) to ONRR. The company representatives also admitted that in 2011, they took unallowable beneficial use deductions for a compressor station that was no longer within the boundaries of the Federal lease.

The company cooperated with the investigation, and it corrected the OGORs previously submitted to ONRR. We reviewed a sample of the company's records and confirmed that the reported production volumes corresponded to the source documentation, which supported the company's efforts to correct its reporting problems.

We provided our report to BLM and ONRR for appropriate administrative action.

*This is a summary of an investigative report that was issued internally to the U.S. Department of the Interior. This summary was posted to the web on April 21, 2016.*

