

Bureau of Land Management, Interior

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costs subsequently incurred in terminating the processing of said application. Those amounts that have not been paid are due within 30 days of receipt of a bill from the authorized officer identifying the amount due.

§ 2808.3-4 Joint liability for payments.

(a) When 2 or more applications for a right-of-way grant are filed which the authorized officer determines to be in competition with each other, each applicant shall reimburse the United States as required by §2808.3 of this title, subject however, to the provisions of §2808.1(b) of this title. Each applicant shall be responsible for the reimbursement of the reasonable costs identified with his/her application. Costs that are not readily identifiable with either of the applications, such as costs for portions of an environmental impact statement that relate to all of the applications, generally, shall be paid by each applicant in equal shares or such other proportion as may be agreed to in writing by the applicants and the authorized officer prior to the United States incurring such costs.

(b) When, through partnership, joint venture or other business arrangements, more than 1 person, partnership, corporation, association or other entity apply together for a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit, each such applicant shall be jointly and severally liable for costs under §2808.3 of this title for the entire system, subject however, to the provision of §2808.1(b) of this title.

§ 2808.4 Reimbursement of costs for monitoring.

(a) A holder of a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit for which a fee was assessed under §2808.3 of this title shall, prior to the United States incurring such costs, reimburse the United States for costs to be incurred by the United States in monitoring the construction, operation, maintenance and termination of authorized facilities on the right-of-way grant or temporary use permit area, and for protection and rehabilitation of the lands involved, under the following schedule:

(1) The same category as determined under §2808.2-2 of this title for processing of an application for a right-of-

way grant or temporary use permit shall be used for monitoring. The one-time fee for monitoring a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit determined to be in Categories I through IV is as follows:

Category	Fee
I	\$50
II	75
III	100
IV	200

(2) The monitoring fee for a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit determined to be in Category V shall be included with the costs determined under §§2808.3-1 through 2808.3-4 of this title.

(b) The holder shall submit the payment for the cost of monitoring required by paragraph (a)(1) of this section or the first periodic advance payment required under §2808.3-2 of this title, as appropriate, along with the written acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant or permit. No right-of-way grant or temporary use permit shall be issued until the required payment is made.

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§ 2808.5 Other cost considerations.

(a) The State Director, after consultation with an applicant or holder making a request for a reduction or waiver of reimbursable costs under §2808.3-1 of this title, may reduce or waive reimbursement required under §§2808.3-1 through 2808.3-4 of this title. In reaching a decision, the State Director may require the applicant/holder to submit in writing any information or data in addition to that required by §2808.3-1(c) of this title that he/she determines to be needed to support a proposed finding that an application, grant or temporary use permit qualifies for a reduction or waiver of cost reimbursement. Action on a Category V application shall be suspended pending the State Director's decision.

(b) The State Director may base the decision to reduce or waive reimbursable costs on any of the following factors:

(1) The applicant's/holder's financial condition is such that payment of the

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fee would result in undue financial hardship;

(2) The application processing or grant monitoring costs are determined to be grossly excessive in relation to the costs of constructing the facilities or project requiring the right-of-way grant or temporary use permit on the public lands;

(3) A major portion of the application processing or grant monitoring costs are the result of issues not related to the actual right-of-way grant or temporary use permit;

(4) The applicant/holder is a non-profit organization, corporation or association which is not controlled by or a subsidiary of a profitmaking enterprise;

(5) The studies undertaken in connection with the processing of the application have a public benefit;

(6) The facility or project requiring the right-of-way grant will provide a special service to the public or to a program of the Secretary;

(7) A right-of-way grant is needed to construct a facility to prevent or mitigate damages to any lands or improvements or mitigate hazards or danger to public health and safety resulting from an Act of God, an act of war or negligence of the United States;

(8) The holder of a valid existing right-of-way grant is required to secure a new right-of-way grant in order to relocate facilities which are required to be moved because the lands are needed for a Federal or federally funded project, if such relocation is not funded by the United States;

(9) Relocation of a facility on a valid existing right-of-way grant requires a new or amended right-of-way grant in order to comply with the law, regulations or standards of public health and safety and environmental protection which were not in effect at the time the original right-of-way grant or temporary use permit was issued; or

(10) It is demonstrated that because of compelling public benefits or public services provided, or for other causes, collection of reimbursable costs by the United States for processing an application, for a grant or permit would be

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inconsistent with prudent and appropriate management of the public lands and the equitable interest of the applicant/holder or of the United States.

(c) The State Director may consider a reduction or waiver of fees under this section in determining reimbursable costs made under § 2808.3 of this title. Said determination is a final decision for purposes of appeal under § 2804.1 of this title. Where an appeal is filed, actions pending decision on appeal shall be in accordance with § 2808.6 of this title.

(d) Notwithstanding a finding by the State Director that there is a basis for reduction of the costs required to be reimbursed under this subpart, the State Director may not reduce such costs if funds to process the application(s) or to monitor the grant(s) or permit(s) are not otherwise available or may delay such decision pending the availability of funds.

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§ 2808.6 Action pending decision on appeal.

(a) Where an appeal is filed on an application determined under § 2808.2-2(a) of this title to be in Categories I through IV, an application shall not be accepted for processing without payment of the fee for such application according to the category determined by the authorized officer; however, when payment is made, the application may be processed and, if proper, the grant or temporary use permit issued. The authorized officer shall make any refund or other adjustment directed as a result of an appeal.

(b) Where an appeal is filed for an application determined under § 2808.2-2(a) of this title to be in Category V or for a related cost reimbursement determination under § 2808.3-1 (e) through (g) or § 2808.5(c) of this title, processing of the application shall be suspended pending the outcome of the appeal.

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