The Department of Justice responded to a letter sent by Reps. Waxman, Davis, Issa, and Watson that asked Attorney General Gonzalez to review a legal analysis concluding that the Administration has legal recourse to recover billions of dollars in lost revenue on defective oil and gas leases issued in 1998 and 1999. In the letter, the Justice Department explains their inability to offer their views since the Department of the Interior's (DOI) authority to impose these provisions in leases is currently in litigation. The Justice Department also states that the facts are still under review.

Documents and Links

- Response from the U.S. Department of Justice
- Original Letter to the U.S. Department of Justice