

EPA Act 2005 -Section 1813

Section 1813 of the Act requires the Secretaries of Energy and Interior:

- to conduct a joint study of issues regarding energy rights-of-way on Indian land within one year (by August 7)
- To conduct the study in consultation with Indian tribes, the energy industry, appropriate governmental entities, and affected businesses and consumers.



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The term 'tribal land' means any land or interests in land owned by any Indian tribe, title to which is held in trust by the United States, or is subject to a restriction against alienation under laws of the United States.



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The study must include:

- An analysis of historic rates of compensation paid for energy rights-of-way on tribal land;
- Recommendations for how to determine fair compensation to Indian tribes for energy rights-of-way;



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- An assessment of tribal interests implicated by energy rights-of-way on tribal land; and
- An analysis of relevant national energy transportation policies relating to energy rights-of-way on tribal land.

