UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION

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NOTICE TO LESSEES AND OPERATORS OF FEDERAL OIL AND GAS LEASES IN THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF, GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION

Submittal of Electric, Radioactive, and Other Well Bore Surveys

This Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL) supersedes NTL 85-06 and is provided pursuant to the authority prescribed in 30 CFR 250.66(d) which requires the lessee to submit duplicate copies of final composites of multiple runs of all well bore surveys (1" and 5" scales) within 30 days after completion of any well. Well bore velocity and directional surveys are submitted pursuant to Letter to Lessees and Operators dated October 1, 1990, which is not affected by this NTL.

We are receiving copies of many cased hole logs and surveys that NTL 85-06 requested not be submitted. Many new lessees now own and operate Outer Continental Shelf leases since that NTL was issued, therefore, we want to reiterate this regional application of the regulatory requirement.

Since some logs are of limited use, only *open hole surveys* shall be submitted to the appropriate district office. Final composites of the surveys (1" and 5" scales, in duplicate) must be submitted not later than 30 days after *completion of the well*. Field prints of any surveys shall be submitted only by request from the appropriate district office. Final composites of cased hole surveys and other special surveys made by the lessees shall also be submitted only upon request.

Please make appropriate arrangements within your organization or with logging contractors not to send cased hole surveys to the district offices. If cased hole surveys are sent, the action will be considered a violation of this NTL and proper action will be taken.

We also require that you continue to list *all* well bore surveys run in Item No. 23 on Form MMS-330 [now form MMS-125—*ed.*], "Well Completion or Recompletion Report and Log." This should include all surveys run in sidetrack boreholes.

Your cooperation will be appreciated. It is an unnecessary burden for you to submit and for us to receive and properly dispose of unwanted materials.

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