

**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, GAS, AND SULPHUR
LEASES AND PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY HOLDERS
IN THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF, GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION

Year 2000 (Y2K) Coordinators

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) Gulf of Mexico OCS Region (GOMR) is concerned about the effects Y2K may have on Gulf of Mexico oil and gas operations. It is possible that certain equipment will malfunction or otherwise fail to operate when Y2K begins. However, the potential effects are not known.

We strongly suggest that each OCS operator and pipeline right-of-way holder in the Gulf of Mexico assign a Y2K operations coordinator. We will then compile a list of these coordinators and disseminate it to you to facilitate communications between companies and with the GOMR should Y2K problems arise. To help us compile this list, we request that you provide the following information for both your Y2K operations coordinator and an alternate for the Gulf of Mexico:

Name
Address
Telephone number
Cellular telephone number
Satellite telephone number
Pager number
Telefax number
E-mail address
Radio frequency

Please send this information by September 30, 1999, to the following address:

Minerals Management Service
Gulf of Mexico OCS Region
Field Operations (MS 5200)
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard
New Orleans, Louisiana 70123

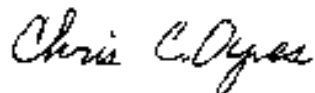
The GOMR appreciates your cooperation in helping us and your industry counterparts to be prepared for potential Y2K problems.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 Statement

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) requires us to inform you that MMS is collecting this information to facilitate communication between companies and with the GOMR should Y2K operational problems arise. We will use the information to compile and disseminate a list of Y2K operations coordinators in the Gulf of Mexico. Responses are voluntary. No proprietary information will be collected. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. Public reporting burden is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time to gather the data and prepare the response. Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, Mail Stop 4230, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1010-0133), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Contact

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