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HURRICANE OPAL - REPORT #4

To keep you informed about the effect of Hurricane Opal on offshore energy production in the Gulf of Mexico, the Minerals Management Service will provide status reports as information becomes available.

*Gas Production Shut-In: 80 million cubic feet (less than 1%)

**Oil Production Shut-In: 26,500 barrels (less than 3%)

DAMAGE REPORTS

- o At this time, 25-30 damage reports have been received with little damage being reported. Additional reports are expected as operators get crews out to platforms and drilling rigs to conduct inspections.
- o MMS has received nine reports of natural gas pipeline problems
- o MMS will require underwater inspections on nine platforms

* Daily Gas Production in the Gulf averages about 13 billion cubic feet

** Daily Oil Production in the Gulf averages about 800,000 barrels platforms.

NOTE: THE NEXT HURRICANE OPAL REPORT WILL BE ISSUED WHEN WE OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION -- THAT MAY BE TOMORROW, OR IT COULD BE LATER IN THE WEEK.

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