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REORGANIZATION



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- After the Macondo blowout, a major reorganization within the Department of the Interior created the Bureau of safety and Environmental Enforcement, BSEE.
- BSEE's strategic goal for FY 2012 through 2015 is to create a robust and stable regulatory system so that exploration and development on the OCS will be conducted safely.
- Recent recommendations by the Inspector General, the Transportation Safety Board, and National Academy of Engineering recognized the importance of keeping abreast of international standards, increase internal expertise and formulate a more efficient regulatory process.

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- In recognition of the importance of standards development and BSEE's involvement with standards development, the Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs created a Standards Development Section with Wilbon Rhome as its chief.
- The Standards Development Section has been tasked to: 1. Collaborate with standards organizations and the international community in the development of new or revised standards for safety and environmental protection and 2. Minimize the time BSEE takes to identify and incorporate the best industry practices into its regulatory program.
- We are very optimistic that this workshop and future workshops will help us in accomplishing these tasks. We thank you for attending.