

## Leasing Activities Report Information Office of Leasing and Plans Gulf of Mexico OCS Region

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#### **The Offices of Leasing & Plans Closures**

Wednesday, June 19, 2024 – Juneteenth National Independence Day Thursday, July 4, 2024 – Independence Day

# Interior Department Takes Action to Protect Taxpayers from Offshore Oil and Gas Decommissioning Costs

On April 15, 2024, the Department of Interior <u>announced</u> a final rule from the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) to protect taxpayers from covering costs that should be borne by the oil and gas industry when offshore platforms require decommissioning. The action updated 20-year-old regulations. BOEM has substantially strengthened financial assurance requirements for the offshore oil and gas industry operating on the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

This notice makes a technical correction to the <u>final rule</u> titled, Risk Management and Financial Assurance for OCS Lease and Grant Obligations, which the Department of the Interior published in the Federal Register on April 24, 2024. The correction clarifies that the effective date of the rule is June 29, 2024.

The Congressional Review Act requires that the effective date of a major rule be 60 days after the date of publication in the Federal Register or receipt of the rule by Congress, whichever is later. The rule was published on April 24, 2024. The rule was received by both chambers of Congress on April 29, 2024, making the effective date June 29, 2024, instead of June 24, 2024.

#### Well Producibility Determination (WPD) Request Online

WPD requests are now available online. For more information and instructions on how to submit requests see the WPD User Guide.

https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/documents/regions/gulf-mexico-ocs-region/WPD-User-Guide.pdf

#### INFORMATION TO LESSEES

**LEASE EXTENSION REQUESTS**: To earn the extension of the initial period, all requests should be submitted from the **Lessee** and not the **Operator**. Please refer the Lease Addendum attached with the subject lease documents. The request should be submitted as soon as practicable, but in no case more than 30 days after spudding a well. The BOEM GOM Regional Supervisor for Leasing and Plans will confirm in writing, within 30 days of receiving the **Lessee's** letter, whether the **Lessee** has earned the extension of the initial period and update BOEM records accordingly. The extension of the initial period is not effective unless and until the **Lessee** receives confirmation from BOEM.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The health and safety of our employees and customers is of utmost importance. Due to public health concerns related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Office of Leasing and Plans (OLP), Elmwood Tower Building, New Orleans, LA, is taking steps to help mitigate and reduce any unnecessary exposure and spread of COVID-19.

In order to continue to deliver services to the greatest extent possible and process filings as expeditiously as possible during the COVID-19 Pandemic, effective April 2, 2020, you may submit all documents to OLP via email (with the exception of Surveys). The OLP staff will be working in remote locations and will be able to assist you through email or phone. Paper filings will be processed upon return to our office. Until further notice, you may submit filings to the sections in OLP via email as follows:

<u>Adjudication Section</u> – All email filings must be submitted in PDF format to the Adjudication Section mailbox at: <u>boemadjudication@boem.gov</u>. All questions related to actions processed by the Adjudication Section should also be directed to the Adjudication mailbox.

## <u>Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section (LFRS)</u> –

- Financial Assurance All email filings must be submitted in PDF format
  to the financial assurance mailbox at:
   boemgomrfinancialassurance@boem.gov
   . All questions related to the
  actions processed by Financial Assurance should also be directed the
  Financial Assurance mailbox.
- Oil Spill Financial Responsibility (OSFR) All email filings must be submitted in PDF format to the OSFR mailbox at: <a href="mailto:boem.gov">boem.gov</a> All questions related to the actions processed by OSFR should also be directed to this mailbox.

 Lease Sale Coordination – If something needs to be mailed regarding lease sale coordination (e.g., signed bid receipts for mailed in bids), or if you have questions about Notice of Sale packages, please reach out to boemgomrleasesales@boem.gov

Plans Section – Paper filings and electronic disks or drives of Exploration Plans, Development Operations Coordination Documents, Development and Production Plans, Rights-of-Use and Easement Applications, and Surveys will be accepted by mail (1201 Elmwood Park Blvd, Plans Section - GM 235D, New Orleans, LA 70123) or by appointment only. Please call or email Ms. Michelle Picou at (504) 736-2747 or michelle.picou@boem.gov or Ms. Laura Christensen at (504) 736-2959 or laura.christensen@boem.gov to schedule an appointment to file paper versions. Exploration Plans, Development Operations Coordination Documents, Development and Production Plans, and Rights-of-Use and Easement Applications can also be PDF format Plans submitted in to the Section boemgomrplans@boem.gov. Questions related to the work of the Plans Section should be directed to the Plans Section mailbox.

## The following Relinquishment forms were accepted and processed:

OCS No.	Area/Block	Effective Date	Record Title Owner(s)
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.

# The following Designation of Operator forms were accepted and processed:

OCS No.	Area/Block	Effective Date	New Operator
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.

# The following Designation of Agent forms were accepted and processed:

OCS No.	Area/Block	Effective Date	Designated Agent
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.

# New Qualifications that were accepted and processed:

Date Received	Date Completed	Date Returned	New Companies
22-Apr-2024	22-May-2024	N/A	Sparks Energy, Inc.
18-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Repsol OCS LLC
11-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Oceanus Pipeline Company, LLC

# **Qualification Updates that were accepted and processed:**

Date Received	Date Completed	Date Returned	Qualification Updates
23-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Chevron Pipe Line Company
21-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Array Petroleum, LLC
21-May-2024	N/A	N/A	CanNat Energy Inc.
16-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Crescent GIGs, LLC
15-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Exxon Mobil Corporation
14-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Mobil Oil Exploration & Producing Southeast Inc.
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Apache Corporation
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Apache Deepwater LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Apache Gathering Company
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Apache Offshore Holdings, LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Apache Shelf Exploration LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Apache Shelf, Inc.
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	CV Energy Corporation
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	CV Production LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	GOM Energy Venture I, LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	GOM Energy Venture II, LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	GOM Energy Venture III, LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Peregrine Oil & Gas II, LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Peregrine Oil & Gas LP, LLC
09-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Peregrine-LRH Venture I, LLC
06-May-2024	N/A	N/A	Array Petroleum, LLC
29-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Array Petroleum, LLC
24-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	EP Energy E&P Company, L.P.
24-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Shell Pipeline Company LP
17-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Freeport-McMoRan Energy LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	McMoRan Oil & Gas LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Energy Offshore LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Energy Phoenix LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Energy Ventures, LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos ERT LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Exploration LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Gulf Coast Offshore LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Oil and Gas LLC

# **Qualification Updates that were accepted and processed (continued):**

Date Received	Date Completed	Date Returned	Qualification Updates
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Petroleum LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Production Inc.
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Resources LLC
15-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Talos Third Cost LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy A-1 Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy B-1 Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy Bluewater Oil Fund II, LLC
09-Apr-2024	20-May-2024	N/A	Ridgewood Energy Corporation
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy Gulf of Mexico Oil and Gas Fund, L.P.
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy O Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy Oil and Gas Fund II, L.P.
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy Q Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy S Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy T Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy U Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy V Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	21-May-2024	N/A	Ridgewood Energy W Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy X Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy Y Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Energy Z Fund, LLC
09-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation
08-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Institutional V Prospective Leases, LLC
08-Apr-2024	15-May-2024	N/A	Ridgewood Institutional IV Prospective Leases, LLC
04-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Mobil Exploration and Producing North America Inc.
04-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	MOBIL OIL EXPLORATION & PRODUCING SOUTHEAST INC.
04-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Mobil Producing Texas & New Mexico Inc.
04-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Domino, LLC
04-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Ouray, LLC
03-Apr-2024	N/A	N/A	Ridgewood Caddis, LLC
21-Mar-2024	N/A	N/A	Fieldwood Energy LLC
05-Mar-2024	N/A	N/A	FW GOM Pipeline, Inc.
20-Dec-2023	N/A	N/A	Westlawn GOM Asset 1 Holdco LLC
20-Dec-2023	N/A	N/A	Westlawn GOM Asset 2 Holdco LLC
20-Dec-2023	N/A	N/A	Westlawn GOM Asset 3 Holdco LLC
23-Oct-2023	N/A	N/A	Delek GOM Investments, LLC

# **Mergers that were accepted and processed:**

Date Received	Date Completed	Date Returned	<u>Mergers</u>
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to Report.

# Name Changes that were accepted and processed:

Date Received	Date Completed	Date Returned	Name Changes
23-May-2024	N/A	N/A	E&P USA, INC. to TotalEnergies E&P USA, Inc.
04-Apr-2024	24-May-2024	N/A	Beacon Offshore Energy Buckskin LLC to OGOG (Buckskin) LLC

# **Business Conversions that were accepted and processed:**

Date Received	Date Completed	Date Returned	Business Conversions
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.

# **Dissolutions accepted and processed:**

Date Received	Date Completed	Date Returned	<u>Dissolutions</u>
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.