UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE

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NOTICE TO LESSEES AND OPERATORS OF FEDERAL OIL, GAS, AND SULPHUR LEASES IN THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF

Workshop on Subpart O Well Control and Production Safety Training - Testing Program

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) has scheduled a half-day public workshop to review the status of the 30 CFR 250 Subpart O - Well Control and Production Safety Training testing program. This workshop will address; 1) the results of the testing pilot program which was initiated on November 1, 2008 and will remain in effect through January 31, 2009, and 2) how the testing program will be implemented after the pilot program closes.

The workshop will be hosted by the MMS Gulf of Mexico OCS Region and will take place in New Orleans.

Date: Thursday, February 19, 2009

Time: 9:00 AM to noon

Location: 1201 Elmwood Park Blvd, New Orleans, La. 70123, first floor conference

room.

Workshop Objectives

By participating in this workshop you will be presented with the opportunity to gain a better understanding of why MMS initiated the testing program and how it could affect your company. Items to be covered include;

- What the MMS has learned during the pilot testing program, how many tests were issued, the type of tests issued, and test results,
- Problem areas as determined by the pilot program test questions,
- The close of the testing pilot program and the start of the post-pilot testing program,
- Post-pilot testing program enforcement and testing process,
- Public feedback and workshop participant questions.

Registration and Information Contact

For further information and to register for this workshop, contact: Mr. Joseph Levine (phone (703) 787-1033, email joseph.levine@mms.gov) or Mr. David Dykes (phone (504) 736-3249, email david.dykes@mms.gov).

Attendance will be limited to the first 100 attendees. Please register early.

There is no cost associated with this event.

Guidance Document Statement

The MMS issues NTL's as guidance documents in accordance with 30 CFR 250.103 to clarify, supplement, and provide more detail about certain MMS regulatory requirements and to outline the information you provide in your various submittals. Under that authority, this NTL sets forth a policy on and an interpretation of regulatory requirements that provides a clear and consistent approach to complying with those requirements. However, if you wish to use an alternate approach for compliance, you may do so, after you receive approval from the appropriate MMS office under 30 CFR 250.141.

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