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Subject: BONDS

Title: BONDING OF OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS) ACTIVITIES

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Description: DE'S SHOULD NOT REQUIRE BONDS FOR OCS ACTIVITIES BECAUSE BLM ALREADY REQUIRES SUCH.

- 1. We recently completed coordination with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) concerning the bonding required by that agency in connection with its mineral lease program on the OCS.
- 2. Since BLM bonding provides for the removal of devices, works, and structures within one year of lease termination and for adequate measures to protect the marine, coastal, or human environment before drilling equipment is removed, there is no need for the Corps to require similar bonding.
- 3. Therefore, immediate steps will be taken by Corps field operating agencies to terminate bonding requirements which duplicate those of BLM.
- 4. This guidance is effective through December 31, 1983, unless sooner revised or rescinded.

FOR THE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS: