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Correction to a News Release sent out on Thursday, June 3, 2004, "MMS Announces Eight Deepwater Discoveries in 2004 - Gulf of Mexico Helps Meet America's Oil Needs."

The chart incorrectly reported the operator and owner of (Mississippi Canyon 771) Goldfinger. Goldfinger is operated by Dominion Exploration and owned by Dominion Exploration and Pioneer Natural Resources. See corrected chart below:

Deepwater Discoveries Announced in 2004 Gulf of Mexico OCS (Through June 1, 2004)

Prospect Name	Operator	Area/Block	Water Depth (ft.)	Year Lease Issued	Ownership
Tobago	Unocal	AC 859	9627	12-1-98	Unocal 40.01% Shell Offshore, Inc. 30.00% Nexen Petroleum Offshore 13.34% BP Exploration & Production 16.65%
San Jacinto	Dominion E&P	DC 618	7850	2-1-02	Dominion E&P 66.6% Spinnaker Exploration 33.3%
Dawson Deep	Kerr-McGee	GB 625	2900	1-1-96	Chevron U.S.A. Inc. 100%
Ticonderoga	Kerr-McGee	GC 768	5250	6-1-00	Noble Energy, Inc. 100%
Puma	BP E&P Inc.	GC 823	4130	8-1-96	Unocal 15.0% BHP Billiton 33.3% BP Exploration & Production 51.6%
Atlas N W	Anadarko Petroleum	LL 005	8810	3-1-02	Anadarko Petroleum 100%
Thunder Hawk	Dominion E&P	MC 734	5724	6-1-00	Dominion E&P 37.50% Spinnaker Exploration 25.00% Murphy E & P 37.50%
Goldfinger	Dominion E & P	MC 771	5423	6-1-02	Dominion E & P 75% Pioneer Natural Resources 25%

The Minerals Management Service is the federal agency in the U.S. Department of the Interior that manages the nation's oil, natural gas, and other mineral resources on the Outer Continental Shelf in Federal offshore waters. The agency also collects, accounts for, and disburses mineral revenues from Federal and American Indian lands. MMS disbursed more than \$8 billion in FY 2003 and more than \$135 billion since the agency was created in 1982. Nearly \$1 billion from those revenues go into the Land and Water Conservation Fund annually for the acquisition and development of state and Federal park and recreation lands.

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