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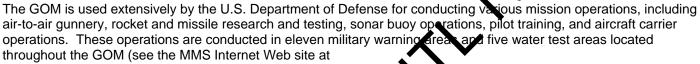
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NOTICE TO LESSEES AND OPERATORS OF FEDERAL OIL, GAS, AND SULPHUR LEASES IN THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF, GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION

Military Warning and Water Test Areas

This Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL) is issued pursuant to 30 CFR 250.103 and provides taks to the addresses and telephone numbers of the individual command headquarters for the military warning sea water test areas in the Gulf of Mexico (GOM). This NTL updates the MMS contact information and superse les and replaces NTL No. 2004-G02.

Background



http://www.gomr.mms.gov/homepg/regulate/environ/MWA_boundaries.pdf for a map). These areas are multiple use areas where these military operations and oil and gas operations part operated for many years.

To ensure personnel safety and reduce the likelihood of conflors between military and oil and gas operations, stipulations have been attached to leases located within a premilitary warning and water test areas for over 20 years. The stipulations require the lessee or designated operator to enter into an agreement with the appropriate individual military command headquarters (see the MMS Internet Web site at

http://www.gomr.mms.gov/homepg/regulate/en from Vin ary%20Contacts.pdf for a list) concerning the control of electromagnetic emissions and use of boats and aircraft in the applicable warning area or water test area before commencing such traffic.

Procedures

For many years, the MMS Gulf of Mexico OCS Region (GOMR) has reminded lessees and designated operators of their obligation to enter into this agreement and provided the address and telephone number of the appropriate military command headquarters each time an Exploration Plan (EP), Development Operations Coordination Document (DOCD), or lease term pipeline application was approved for activities on OCS leases that contained the stipulation.

Effective immediately, the MMS GOMR will no longer provide these lease stipulation reminders in each individual EP, DOCD, or lease term pipeline approval letter. This NTL will now serve that purpose. We will update the above-referenced may and contact list as necessary.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 Statement

NU does not refer to or impose any information collection subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

If you have any questions regarding this NTL, you may contact Mr. Carrol Williams by telephone at (504) 736-2803 or by e-mail at <u>carrol.williams@mms.gov</u>.

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