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User's Guide for the 2014 Gulfwide Offshore Activities Data System (GOADS-2014)

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The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Gulf of Mexico OCS, announces the availability of a new study report, *User's Guide for the 2014 Gulfwide Offshore Activities Data System (GOADS-2014)*.

This report explains the computer hardware requirements, the instructions for installation, and the descriptive guide for the 2014 Gulfwide Offshore Activities Database System (GOADS-2014) software. The GOADS-2014 software, an update from the GOADS-2011 software, assists users in recording information about emissions-related offshore activities and generates computer data files that can be delivered to BOEM. This software is to aid offshore operators in complying with BOEM's reporting requirements, as per NTL No. 2014-G01. The emission estimates from this study will help assess the air quality impacts on the Gulf of Mexico region. The primary difference between GOADS-2011 and GOADS-2014 is that users can create equipment records for all offshore platforms, including minor sources, and loading operations have been added in this version of GOADS. Other revisions focused on programming errors associated with the QC checks and QA Summary Form checks. The GOADS-2014 software will be used to record information regarding emissions-related offshore activities for calendar year 2014, as per the NTL.

This report is available on CD from the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, for \$15.00, and free of charge as a pdf file downloaded from the BOEM website. Copies can also be viewed at selected Federal Depository Libraries. The addresses are listed below.

To order a CD, use the Gulf of Mexico OCS Region contact information below and reference OCS Study BOEM 2014-606. To download a pdf copy, use the Environmental Studies Program

Information System and search using the study report number: http://www.data.boem.gov/homepg/data_center/other/espis/espismaster.asp?appid=1

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