# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

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## **BOEM PRESENTERS**

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### Tommy P. Beaudreau Director

Mr. Beaudreau is the first director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), which is responsible for overseeing the environmentally and economically responsible development of the Nation's offshore resources. BOEM manages the conventional and renewable ocean energy and mineral resources on 1.7 billion acres of the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

He joined the Department of the Interior in June 2010 to help develop and lead the Department's aggressive reforms of offshore energy management and oversight following the Deepwater Horizon blowout and oil spill, including the reorganization of the former Minerals Management Service (MMS). He served as the senior advisor to the director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, (BOEMRE) where he played an integral role in designing and implementing the Bureau's broad reform agenda with respect to the regulation of offshore oil and gas development.

BOEM was established in October 2011. The agency's responsibilities include leasing, plan administration, environmental studies, National Environmental Policy Act analysis, resource evaluation, economic analysis and the offshore renewable energy program.

Prior to his work at Interior, he was a partner at the law firm of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, where his practice focused on, among other things, internal investigations, including reviews of government agencies pursuing reform. He is a graduate of Yale University and received his law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center.

### Alan D. Thornhill Chief Environmental Officer

Dr. Thornhill was named as the first Chief Environmental Officer in November 2011, transitioning into the new Bureau from his previous tenure as Science Advisor to the Director (both MMS and BOEMRE) which he began in March 2010. Previously (2001-2010), he was the first Executive Director of the Society for Conservation Biology, where he launched the executive office, oversaw the development of a professional staff, and initiated programs that saw the global membership triple in seven years. Other experience includes, the Director of Learning and Communications for the Science Division at The Nature Conservancy, and Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at Rice University in Houston, Texas. For the past 6 years, he has taught in the Masters Program in the College of Natural Resources at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He earned his Bachelors and Ph.D. degrees in Ecology from the University of California, Irvine.

### Rodney E. Cluck Chief, Division of Environmental Sciences

Dr. Cluck is the Chief of the Division of Environmental Sciences at BOEMRE. He holds a Ph.D. in sociology from Mississippi State University and a Master of Science degree in Rural Sociology from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. For 6 years he served as the Headquarters' social scientist for the Environmental Division. In 2005, he joined the Office of Offshore Alternative Energy Programs and was the project manager for the United States' first offshore wind facility. He is currently the Chief of the Division of Environmental Sciences where he leads the Environmental Studies Program (ESP), the scientific backbone that supports BOEM's decision-making concerning offshore energy development.

### Mary Boatman Environmental Studies Chief Office of Renewable Energy Programs

Dr. Boatman is the Environmental Studies Chief for the Atlantic Region and works in the Office of Renewable Energy Programs. She has been actively involved in the ESP since 1998. She recently returned from a detail at the Office of Science and Technology Policy where she was assisting in the implementation of the National Ocean Policy. During her detail, she led the effort to establish the data portal, ocean.data.gov, where Federal data is being made available from one easy access location to support ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes planning processes. She has a Ph.D. in Chemical Oceanography from Texas A&M University.

### Ann Scarborough Bull Chief, Environmental Sciences Pacific Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Region

Dr. Bull is a Southern California native and was brought up on the ocean and worked as a deck-hand for her father during commercial fishing and charter boat operations. She received her Bachelor's degree in both Biochemistry and Biology from University of California San Diego and went on to obtain a Master's and PhD from Louisiana State University and the Marine Biological Laboratory Woods Hole. Her post-doctoral work at Johns Hopkins University centered on the health of fish populations and their responses to anthropogenic effects on their environments. A career employee for the Department of the Interior in environmental research and assessment, she worked over a decade for the former MMS, now, BOEM, in the Gulf of Mexico Region and has been with BOEM Pacific Region since 2001. Her research interests center on the ecological influence of offshore oil and gas platforms, renewable energy installations and artificial reefs. She is presently a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern California Academy of Sciences and the Chief of Environmental Sciences, Pacific Outer Continental Shelf Region.

### Caren Madsen Chief, BOEM Office of Public Affairs

Ms. Madsen is responsible for the broad communications strategy and outreach to external clients and stakeholders of BOEM. She leads the BOEM communications program, including services at headquarters and regional offices. She has over 27 years of communications experience including time in private industry and with the Council on Environmental Quality, Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

### Michelle M. McCluer Deputy Ethics Counselor

Ms. McCluer provides advice regarding conflicts of interest, financial disclosures, offduty activities, gifts, and a host of other ethical concerns as part of her duties at BOEM. She was previously the Executive Director of the National Institute of Military Justice at American University's Washington College of Law and served on active duty as a judge advocate in the United States Air Force for over a decade, including a tour advising the wing responsible for Air Force One's operations. She graduated from the University of Oklahoma School of Law with honors. She currently serves on the Board of Advisors of Veterans Campaign and the Rules Advisory Committee for the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.

### Pasquale "Pat" Roscigno Chief, Office of Environmental Sciences Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Regions

Dr. Roscigno is the Chief of the Office of Environmental Sciences for the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic OCS Regions. He is responsible for managing the Regions' Environmental Studies Program and has over 25 years of experience in managing multi-disciplinary environmental projects. Previously, he held several different research and program management positions with MMS and with the Department of Interior's U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. He attended Fordham University in New York City.

### Dee Williams Chief, Environmental Sciences Management Alaska Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Regions

Dr. Williams is responsible for managing and directing the activities of a multidisciplinary staff in the planning, design, procurement, and conduct of environmental research and study products to serve BOEM environmental information needs in close coordination with other stakeholder groups in the arctic. He earned a Ph.D. in anthropology from Columbia University and previously worked in academics and resource management consulting. He has a broad international and intercultural background in development impact studies, with many publications in various academic journals and book presses. He sits on Technical Review committees for multiple federal/state agencies in Alaska.