

**APPENDIX C:**  
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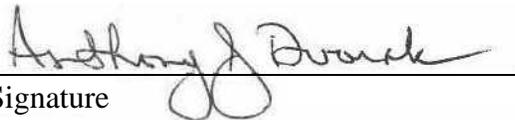
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Argonne National Laboratory is the contractor assisting the Minerals Management Service (MMS), U.S. Department of Interior (USDOI), in preparing the programmatic environmental impact statement (EIS) for alternative energy development and production and alternate use of facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf. The MMS is responsible for reviewing and evaluating the information and determining the appropriateness and adequacy of incorporating any data, analyses, or results in the EIS. The MMS determines the scope and content of the EIS and supporting documents and furnishes direction to Argonne, as appropriate, in preparing these documents.

The Council on Environmental Quality's regulations (40 CFR 1506.5(c)), with which the USDOI complies (Part 516 of the Departmental Manual), require that contractors preparing an EIS execute a disclosure specifying that they have no financial or other interest in the outcome of the project. The term "financial interest or other interest in the outcome of the project," for the purposes of this disclosure, is defined in the March 23, 1981, "Forty Most Asked Questions Concerning CEQ's National Environmental Policy Act Regulations," 46 *Federal Register* 18026-18028 at Questions 17a and 17b. Financial or other interest in the outcome of the project includes "any financial benefit such as promise of future construction or design work on the project, as well as indirect benefits the consultant is aware of (e.g., if the project would aid proposals sponsored by the firm's other clients)," 46 *Federal Register* 18026-18038 at 10831.

In accordance with these regulations, Argonne National Laboratory hereby certifies that it has no financial or other interest in the outcome of the project.

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