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## *Literature Synthesis for North and Central Atlantic Ocean*

### **OCS Study BOEMRE 2011-012**

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, announces the availability of a new study report, *Literature Synthesis for North and Central Atlantic Ocean*.

The overall objectives of this study were (1) to develop comprehensive information on the human and environmental aspects of the region; (2) to update the understanding of the ecological communities, the dominant oceanographic and other processes that drive the shelf and deep-sea ecosystems, and the potential sensitivities of the area; and (3) to identify relevant data gaps in the current state of knowledge of the study area. Toward this end, a synthesis report was produced that characterizes the study area and the scope and depth of information available in six different disciplines, including physical, chemical, geological and biological oceanography, socioeconomics, and research and development technology.

This report is available only in compact disc format from the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, at a charge of \$15.00, by referencing OCS Study BOEMRE 2011-012. The report may be downloaded from the BOEM website through the [Environmental Studies Program Information System \(ESPIS\)](#). You will be able to obtain this report also from the National Technical Information Service in the near future. Here are the addresses. You may also inspect copies at selected Federal Depository Libraries.

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