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**Weekly Report  
14-APR-2025**

## **The Offices of Leasing & Plans Closures**

Monday, May 26, 2025 – Memorial Day

### **Filings for the Offices of Leasing & Plans**

All filings including email filings for the Offices of Leasing and Plans are accepted Monday through Friday, 8:00AM – 4:00PM. Any filings received after 4:00PM CT will be considered received as of the next government business day, no exceptions.

### **Department of the Interior Announces New 2025 Lease Sale in the Gulf of America**

WASHINGTON — Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum has directed the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management to hold the next scheduled oil and gas lease sale in the Gulf of America. America's Outer Continental Shelf contains a significant source of oil and gas for the nation's energy supply, and BOEM's latest estimates of technically recoverable oil and gas resources in undiscovered fields in the Gulf of America include 29.59 billion barrels of oil and 54.84 trillion cubic feet of gas.

“Unlike under President Biden, we will not leave our critical energy resources locked up when so many Americans are suffering through the unnecessarily high cost of living imposed by the previous administration,” Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum said. “Unleashing America's energy resources will lower prices at the pump, at the grocery store and across all aspects of American life while strengthening our national security.”

Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas activities generate billions of dollars from lease sales, rental fees and royalties. The funds are distributed to the U.S. Treasury, as well as states through several different revenue sharing programs that fund conservation and outdoor recreation across the nation. The largest portion goes to the General Fund of the U.S. Treasury, which benefits all U.S. citizens through funding of daily operations of the federal government. Offshore development fuels state and federal revenues, helping fund infrastructure, education and public services. BOEM anticipates publishing a proposed notice of sale in June 2025.

For more information and to view the entire press release:

<https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/department-interior-announces-new-2025-lease-sale-gulf-america>

## **Interior Department Advances Restoration of Historic Names Honoring American Greatness**

In accordance with President Donald J. Trump's recent executive order, the Department of the Interior is proud to announce the implementation of name restorations that honor the legacy of American greatness, with efforts already underway.

As directed by the President, the Gulf of Mexico will now officially be known as the Gulf of America and North America's highest peak will once again bear the name Mount McKinley. These changes reaffirm the Nation's commitment to preserving the extraordinary heritage of the United States and ensuring that future generations of Americans celebrate the legacy of its heroes and historic assets.

The U.S. Board on Geographic Names, under the purview of the Department of the Interior, is working expeditiously to update the official federal nomenclature in the Geographic Names Information System to reflect these changes, effective immediately for federal use.

For more information and to view the entire press release:

<https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-department-advances-restoration-historic-names-honoring-american-greatness>

## **Updates to BOEM Email Addresses for the Offices of Leasing & Plans**

<b>New Display Name</b>	<b>New Email Address</b>
BOEM Gulf Lease Sales	<a href="mailto:BOEMGulfLeaseSales@boem.gov">BOEMGulfLeaseSales@boem.gov</a>
BOEM Gulf Pay Gov	<a href="mailto:BOEMGulfPayGov@boem.gov">BOEMGulfPayGov@boem.gov</a>
BOEM Gulf Financial Assurance	<a href="mailto:BOEMGulfFinancialAssurance@boem.gov">BOEMGulfFinancialAssurance@boem.gov</a>
BOEM Gulf Renewable Energy	<a href="mailto:BOEMGulfRenewableEnergy@boem.gov">BOEMGulfRenewableEnergy@boem.gov</a>
BOEM Gulf Plans	<a href="mailto:BOEMGulfPlans@boem.gov">BOEMGulfPlans@boem.gov</a>

## **Well Producibility Determination (WPD) Request Online**

WPD requests are now available online. For more information and instructions on how to submit requests see the [WPD User Guide](#).

<https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/documents/regions/gulf-mexico-ocs-region/WPD-User-Guide.pdf>

## **INFORMATION TO LESSEES**

**LEASE EXTENSION REQUESTS:** To earn the extension of the initial period, all requests should be submitted from the **Lessee** and not the **Operator**. Please refer the Lease Addendum attached with the subject lease documents. The request should be submitted as soon as practicable, but in no case more than 30 days after spudding a well. The BOEM New Orleans Regional Supervisor for Leasing and Plans will confirm in writing, within 30 days of receiving the **Lessee's** letter, whether the **Lessee** has earned the extension of the initial period and update BOEM records accordingly. The extension of the initial period is not effective unless and until the **Lessee** receives confirmation from BOEM.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The health and safety of our employees and customers is of utmost importance. Due to public health concerns related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Office of Leasing and Plans (OLP), Elmwood Tower Building, New Orleans, LA, is taking steps to help mitigate and reduce any unnecessary exposure and spread of COVID-19.

In order to continue to deliver services to the greatest extent possible and process filings as expeditiously as possible during the COVID-19 Pandemic, effective April 2, 2020, you may submit all documents to OLP via email (with the exception of Surveys). The OLP staff will be working in remote locations and will be able to assist you through email or phone. Paper filings will be processed upon return to our office. Until further notice, you may submit filings to the sections in OLP via email as follows:

**Adjudication Section** – All email filings must be submitted in PDF format to the Adjudication Section mailbox at: [boemadjudication@boem.gov](mailto:boemadjudication@boem.gov). All questions related to actions processed by the Adjudication Section should also be directed to the Adjudication mailbox.

### **Leasing and Financial Responsibility Section (LFRS)** –

- **Financial Assurance** – All email filings must be submitted in PDF format to the financial assurance mailbox at: [BOEMGulfFinancialAssurance@boem.gov](mailto:BOEMGulfFinancialAssurance@boem.gov). All questions related to the actions processed by Financial Assurance should also be directed the Financial Assurance mailbox.
- **Oil Spill Financial Responsibility (OSFR)** – All email filings must be submitted in PDF format to the OSFR mailbox at:

[boemosfr@boem.gov](mailto:boemosfr@boem.gov) All questions related to the actions processed by OSFR should also be directed to this mailbox.

- **Lease Sale Coordination** – If something needs to be mailed regarding lease sale coordination (e.g., signed bid receipts for mailed in bids), or if you have questions about Notice of Sale packages, please reach out to [BOEMGulfLeaseSales@boem.gov](mailto:BOEMGulfLeaseSales@boem.gov)

**Plans Section** – Paper filings and electronic disks or drives of Exploration Plans, Development Operations Coordination Documents, Development and Production Plans, Rights-of-Use and Easement Applications, and Surveys will be accepted by mail (1201 Elmwood Park Blvd, Plans Section - GM 235D, New Orleans, LA 70123) or by appointment only. Please call or email Ms. Michelle Picou at (504) 736-2747 or [michelle.picou@boem.gov](mailto:michelle.picou@boem.gov) or Ms. Laura Christensen at (504) 736-2959 or [laura.christensen@boem.gov](mailto:laura.christensen@boem.gov) to schedule an appointment to file paper versions. Exploration Plans, Development Operations Coordination Documents, Development and Production Plans, and Rights-of-Use and Easement Applications can also be submitted in PDF format to the Plans Section mailbox at: [BOEMGulfPlans@boem.gov](mailto:BOEMGulfPlans@boem.gov). Questions related to the work of the Plans Section should be directed to the Plans Section mailbox.

**The following Relinquishment forms were accepted and processed:**

<u>OCS No.</u>	<u>Area/Block</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Record Title Owner(s)</u>
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.

**The following Designation of Operator forms were accepted and processed:**

<u>OCS No.</u>	<u>Area/Block</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>New Operator</u>
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.

**The following Designation of Agent forms were accepted and processed:**

<u>OCS No.</u>	<u>Area/Block</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Designated Agent</u>
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.

**New Qualifications that were accepted and processed:**

<b><u>Date Received</u></b>	<b><u>Date Completed</u></b>	<b><u>Date Returned</u></b>	<b><u>New Companies</u></b>
27-Jan-2025	N/A	N/A	Arc Resources, LLC

**Qualification Updates that were accepted and processed:**

<b><u>Date Received</u></b>	<b><u>Date Completed</u></b>	<b><u>Date Returned</u></b>	<b><u>Qualification Updates</u></b>
11-Apr-2025	N/A	N/A	Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.
11-Apr-2025	N/A	N/A	RWE Offshore US Gulf, LLC
09-Apr-2025	N/A	N/A	Oceanus Pipeline Company, LLC
03-Apr-2025	N/A	N/A	Exxon Mobil Corporation
02-Apr-2025	N/A	N/A	ExxonMobil Oil Corporation
01-Apr-2025	N/A	N/A	Woodside Energy (Americas) Inc.
01-Apr-2025	N/A	N/A	Woodside Energy (GOM) Inc.
31-Mar-2025	N/A	N/A	Discovery Gas Transmission LLC
31-Mar-2025	N/A	N/A	Discovery Producer Services LLC
31-Mar-2025	N/A	N/A	MOBIL OIL EXPLORATION & PRODUCING SOUTHEAST INC.
31-Mar-2025	N/A	N/A	Nugulf Operating, L.L.C.
24-Mar-2025	N/A	N/A	Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP (Gulf South)
21-Mar-2025	08-Apr-2025	N/A	The Williams Companies, Inc.
19-Feb-2025	N/A	N/A	Fieldwood Energy Inc.
06-Feb-2025	N/A	N/A	Discovery Producer Services LLC
04-Feb-2025	N/A	N/A	Array Petroleum, LLC
03-Feb-2025	N/A	N/A	Gryphon Exploration Company
03-Feb-2025	N/A	N/A	Woodside Energy (USA) Inc.
03-Feb-2025	N/A	N/A	Woodside Energy Holdings (USA) Inc.
18-Dec-2024	N/A	N/A	High Point Gas Gathering, L.L.C.

**Mergers that were accepted and processed:**

<b><u>Date Received</u></b>	<b><u>Date Completed</u></b>	<b><u>Date Returned</u></b>	<b><u>Mergers</u></b>
18-Mar-2025	N/A	N/A	BP Exploration Inc. with Amoco Oil Company to BP Products North America Inc.

**Name Changes that were accepted and processed:**

<b><u>Date Received</u></b>	<b><u>Date Completed</u></b>	<b><u>Date Returned</u></b>	<b><u>Name Changes</u></b>
28-Jan-2025	N/A	N/A	JX Nippon Oil Exploration (U.S.A.) Limited to ENEOS Xplora USA Limited

**Business Conversions that were accepted and processed:**

<b><u>Date Received</u></b>	<b><u>Date Completed</u></b>	<b><u>Date Returned</u></b>	<b><u>Business Conversions</u></b>
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.

**Dissolutions accepted and processed:**

<b><u>Date Received</u></b>	<b><u>Date Completed</u></b>	<b><u>Date Returned</u></b>	<b><u>Dissolutions</u></b>
N/A	N/A	N/A	Nothing to report.