

Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (GOMESA)

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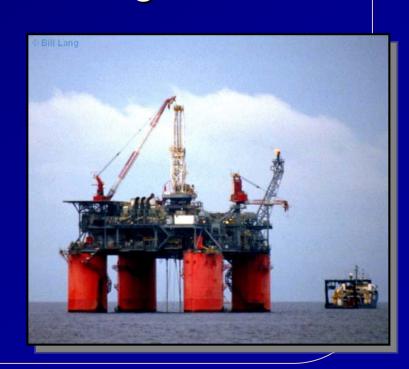
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Main Components of GOMESA

- 1. Updated Moratoria Designations
- 2. Credits for Lease Exchanges
- 3. Revenue Sharing:
 - ✓ Alabama
 - ✓ Louisiana
 - ✓ Mississippi
 - ✓ Texas



Updated Moratoria Designations

- Access to new areas: within and south of "181 area"
- Moratoria extended to June 30, 2022: (yellow area of map)
 - ✓ Eastern Planning Area within 125 miles of Florida
 - ✓ East of Military Mission Line– All tracts
 - ✓ Central Planning Area within 100 miles of Florida



Credits for Exchanged Leases

- Eligibility: Certain leases
 - ✓ within 100/125 miles of Florida coast
- 79 leases (acquired 1984 1990)
- Credits=total bonuses and rentals
 - ✓ Payable to all current owners based on percent ownership; Transferable
- Total value=\$60 million
- Use credits for:
 Cash Bonus or royalties
 in Gulf of Mexico, non-8(g)

Proposed Rule

MMS Credit Program

- Federal Register Notice: February 1, 2008
- 60-day comment period

GOMESA Revenue Sharing Areas

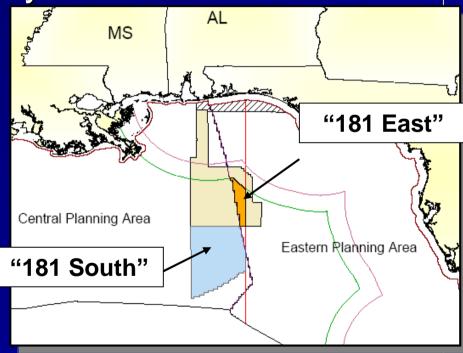
■ FY 2007 – FY2016 Sharing of revenues only from:

✓ "181 east" leases

√ "181 South" leases

FY 2017 and after

Sharing of revenues from all Gulf leases issued after December 20, 2006



Revenue Sharing

- Begins in FY2009
- 37.5% of "qualified revenue" to States and coastal political subdivisions
 - 4/5 (30%) to 4 Gulf Coast States
 - 1/5 (7.5%) to 42 Subdivisions
- 62.5% Federal Share
 - 1/5 (12.5%) to LWCF
 - 4/5 (50%) to Treasury

"Qualified Revenues"

- Cash Bonuses
- Selected Rentals
- Royalties

(including RIK sales, except SPR transfers)

Uses of GOMESA Funds

- Coastal Protection
 - ✓ Conservation; Restoration; Hurricane Protection
- Mitigation of damage to animals or natural resources
- Mitigation of effects from OCS activities through onshore infrastructure projects
- Associated planning and administrative costs

Implementing GOMESA Revenue Sharing Program

Rulemaking—2 stages

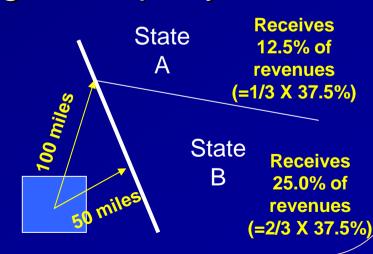
- 1. First phase of sharing
 - ✓ MMS now designing regulatory requirements
 - ✓ FY 2007-2016 revenue sharing
 - ✓ Proposed rule—later this year
- 2. Second phase of sharing
 - ✓ FY 2017 and beyond
 - ✓ Subsequent rulemaking

Revenue Sharing Allocation Formula

- State shares:
 - ✓ Formula based on "inverse distance" between the lease and the coastline
 - ✓ All eligible tracts weighted equally
- Example

State A = 1/100 or .01

State B = 1/50 or .02



Revenue Sharing Allocation Formula

- Coastal Political Subdivision shares:
 - ✓ Formula <u>partially</u> based (50%) on "inverse distance" between the lease and the perimeter of each subdivision
 - ✓ Remainder of share (50%) based on:
 - Relative population (25%)
 - Relative coastline length (25%)

Estimated State Revenue Sharing FY2008-FY2016

	States			
Area	TX	LA	MS	AL
181 in the eastern planning area	11%	32%	27%	30%
	(±3%)	(±3%)	(±3%)	(±3%)
181 south	14%	34%	26%	26%
	(±3%)	(±3%)	(±3%)	(±3%)