

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE
GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION

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NOTICE TO LESSEES AND OPERATORS OF FEDERAL OIL AND GAS LEASES
IN THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF, GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION

Gas Volume Statement Requirements

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) in June 1998 implemented the gas production verification program. The Gulf of Mexico OCS Region (GOMR) will continue to focus only on verifying production for the sales (royalty) meters.

Under the requirements of 30 CFR 250.1203(b)(6) and (b)(8), you must provide MMS (when requested) with copies of the monthly gas volume statements for those meters used to determine gas sold and/or transferred. Unlike the previous sampling process, the Regional Supervisor is now requesting monthly gas volume statements from all operators starting January 2004 to be submitted on a monthly basis. You must submit these statements by the last day of the month following production to Mr. Paul Marsh at 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70123. Please also provide the name and telephone number of your contact person. Failure to submit your gas volume statements in the time frame requested will result in the issuance of an Incident of Non-Compliance.

A gas volume statement is a monthly statement showing gas measurement data, including the volume (MCF) and quality (Btu) of natural gas that flowed through the meter. The volume and quality must be reported at 14.73 psia. You must include the following data (handwritten data are acceptable) on this statement:

1. Facility Measurement Point (FMP) number.
2. Gas recorder serial number and/or meter I.D. number.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 Statement: The collection of information referred to in this notice provides clarification, description, or interpretation of requirements contained in 30 CFR 250, subpart L. The Office of Management and Budget has approved the collection of information required by these regulations and assigned OMB control number 1010-0051. This notice does not impose additional information collection requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Contact: You may direct any questions on this matter to Paul Marsh at (504) 736-2673.

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