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BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

Gulf of Mexico OCS Region 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70123 2394

In Reply Refer To: GM 235D June 13, 2019

Ms. Sylvia Bellone Shell Offshore Inc. One Shell Square P.O. Box 61933 New Orleans, Louisiana 70161-1933

Dear Ms. Bellone,

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No. S-07948

Type Supplemental Exploration Plan

Received March 25, 2019, amended April 3 and 25, 2019 Lease(s) OCS-G 17001, Block 508, Walker Ridge Area (WR)

The Minerals Management Service Walker Ridge Area, Block 508 Unit(s) Agreement Number is 754306006.

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of June 13, 2019, in accordance with 30 CFR 550.233(b)(1).

This approval includes the activities proposed for Subsea Wells AA, BB, CC, and DD.

In accordance with 30 CFR 556.901(d), additional security may be required for your proposed activities. Prior to conducting activities in which you need to obtain approvals and/or permits described in 30 CFR 550.281(a) from the appropriate District Manager or BSEE Regional Supervisor, you must contact BOEM Risk Management Operations Group by email at boemrmog@boem.gov to determine if additional security is required and comply with any demand for this security.

In response to the request accompanying your plan for a hydrogen sulfide ($\rm H_2S$) classification, the area in which the proposed drilling operations are to be conducted is hereby classified, in accordance with 30 CFR 250.490(c), as " $\rm H_2S$ absent."

You must comply with the following species protective measures in all activities conducted pursuant to the plan:

- BOEM Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL) No. 2016-G01, "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protected Species Reporting" (available at http://www.boem.gov/BOEM-NTL-No-2016-G01/);
- BOEM NTL No. 2016-G02, "Implementation of Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program" (available at http://www.boem.gov/BOEM-NTL-2016-G02/); and

• BSEE NTL No. 2015-G03, "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination" (available at <https://www.bsee.gov/sites/bsee.gov/files/notices-to-lessees-</pre> ntl/alerts/ntl-2015-g03.pdf>).

These measures are designed to promote environmental protection, consistent environmental policy, compliance with environmental laws, and safety.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this approval, please contact Ronald O'Connor at (504)736-2889.

Sincerely,

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Bernadette Thomas for Regional Supervisor

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