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In Reply Refer To: GM 235D

January 16, 2020

Ms. Mandy Phythian
Talos Petroleum LLC
333 Clay Street
Suite 3300
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Ms. Phythian,

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No. S-7985
Type Supplemental Exploration Plan
Received November 6, 2019, amended November 13 and December 5, 2019
Lease(s) OCS-G 33858, Block 867, Green Canyon Area (GC)

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of January 16, 2020, in accordance with 30 CFR 550.233(b)(1).

This approval includes the proposed activities for Subsea Wells A, B, C, and D.

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 (H₂S) 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 "H₂S absent."

Exercise caution while drilling due to indications of shallow gas, faulting, and possible water flow.

Exercise caution during drilling rig placement due to indications of seafloor instability.

There are areas capable of supporting high-density deepwater benthic communities between 1,500 and 2,000 feet of Subsea Wells A and B. The wells may not be placed closer than 1,500 feet from potential habitat (see Seafloor Features Map No. GC867 A-3 and Seafloor Features Map No. GC867 B-3 submitted with your plan which depict the areas). Provide a map showing the final as placed well(s), the potential habitat, and distance of the well(s) from the potential habitat, to the BOEM Regional Supervisor, Office of Leasing and

Plans, Plans Section (GM 235D) at the same time you submit your End of Operations Report (Form BSEE-0125) to the appropriate BSEE GOMR District Office to demonstrate that the feature(s) were not physically impacted by the drilling activity.

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-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 Ms. Laura Christensen at (504)736-2959.

Sincerely,

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 Regional Supervisor
 Office of Leasing and Plans