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Southern Administrative Service Center 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394

In Reply Refer To: MS 5231

May 20, 2005

Ms. Kathy R. Gowland Dominion Exploration & Production, Inc. 1450 Poydras Street New Orleans, Louisiana 70112-6000

Dear Ms. Gowland:

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No. S-06471

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Type Supplemental Development Operations Coordination Document

Received July 1, 2004, amended September 13, 2004, January 21,

March 2 and 30, and April 12, 2005

Lease(s) OCS-G 10910, Block 281, Main Pass Area

OCS-G 16515, Block 280, Main Pass Area

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of May 10, 2005, in accordance with 30 CFR 250.204(1)(1).

This approval includes the activities proposed for Subsea Wells Nos. 5 and 6, and Well A-9.

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."

Our review indicates that there are pipelines in the vicinities of Platform A and Subsea Well No. 6 that may pose a hazard to your proposed operations. Therefore, take precautions in accordance with Notice to Lessees and Operators No. 98-20, Section IV.B, prior to performing operations.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this approval, please contact Karen Dunlap at (504) 736-2535.

Sincerely,

Donald C. Howard

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Field Operations

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