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In Reply Refer To: GM 235D

June 27, 2016

Ms. Kathy Gowland
LLOG Exploration Offshore, LLC
1001 Ochsner Boulevard
Suite 200
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Dear Ms. Gowland,

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No.	N-09935
Type	Initial Exploration Plan
Received	February 12, 2016, amended February 22 and March 11, 2016, and modified June 6, 2016
Lease(s)	OCS-G 35295, Block 877, Ewing Bank Area (EW)

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of June 27, 2016, in accordance with 30 CFR 550.233(b)(1).

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

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.

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

- Joint Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL) No. 2012-G01, "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protected Species Reporting" (available at <http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G01-pdf.aspx>);
- Joint NTL No. 2012-G02, "Implementation of Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program" (available at <http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G02-pdf.aspx>); and
- NTL No. 2012-BSEE-G01, "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination" (available at <http://www.bsee.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Notices-to-Lessees/2012/2012-BSEE-G01-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 Robert Arpino at (504) 736-2414.

Sincerely,

**Michelle
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