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New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394

In Reply Refer To: GE 1035A

June 15, 2017

Mr. Michael Magilton  
Sabine Oil & Gas Corporation  
1415 Louisiana Street, Suite 1600  
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Mr. Magilton:

Reference is made to your request dated April 13, 2017, with supplemental data submitted on April 24, 2017, to relinquish Pipeline Right-of-way (ROW) OCS-G14273 and to decommission in place the associated pipeline segment number (PSN) 8020

For ease of reference, PSN 8020 is described as follows:

| Segment Number | Size (Inches) | Length (feet) | Service | From              | To                |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 8020           | 8             | 9,414         | Gas     | Platform A        | 42-inch SSTI      |
|                |               |               |         | West Cameron Area | West Cameron Area |
|                |               |               |         | Block 314         | Block 314         |

Pipeline Segment Number 8020 has been out of service since December 6, 2015. Since Sabine Oil & Gas Corporation did not apply for and receive approval to maintain the Pipeline ROW grant OCS- G14273 in effect beyond the 90 days provided for by a temporary cessation of operations, please be advised that the Pipeline ROW grant OCS- G14273 expired on March 5, 2016. Accordingly, your request to relinquish the subject Pipeline ROW grant cannot be considered.

In accordance with 30 CFR 250.1751, your request to decommission this pipeline is hereby approved, and in accordance with 30 CFR 250.1010(h), the requirement that the pipeline be removed is hereby waived.

The aforementioned decommissioning operations must be completed within 180 days of the date of this letter and a decommissioning completion report must be submitted to this office within 30 days of completing the decommissioning.

Sincerely,  
**PHILLIP SMITH**  
2017.06.15  
10:17:09 -05'00'  
(for) Bryan A. Domangue  
Acting Regional Supervisor  
Regional Field Operations

April 13, 2017

Regional Supervisor  
Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE)  
1201 Elmwood Park Blvd.  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394

**Attention: Ms. Angie Gobert**

**Re: Relinquishment and Proposed Abandonment In-Place of Right-of-Way Pipeline – 8" GAS**  
(Segment No. 8020, ROW G14273), Originating at West Cameron Block 314, Platform A and  
Terminating at West Cameron Block 314, 42-Inch Subsea Tie-In, OCS Federal Waters, Offshore,  
Louisiana

Ms. Gobert:

Sabine Oil & Gas Corporation (Sabine) herein applies, in triplicate, for the relinquishment and abandonment in-place of the pipeline listed below, pursuant to the authority granted in The Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.) and in compliance with the regulations contained in Title 30 CFR Subpart J, Pipelines and Pipeline Right-of-Way. Pipeline information is as follows:

| <b>Segment Number</b> | <b>ROW</b> | <b>Origin</b> | <b>Terminus</b>   | <b>OD</b> | <b>Length</b> | <b>Product</b> | <b>Operator</b>              |
|-----------------------|------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| 8020                  | G14273     | WC314 A       | WC314 24"<br>SSTI | 8"        | 9414'         | GAS            | Sabine Oil & Gas Corporation |

Regarding the pipeline abandonment in-place:

- Sabine requests a departure from 30 CFR 250.1010(h), which requires removal of a ROW pipeline. Sabine requests to abandon this pipeline in-place.

In support of this application, please find the following attached:

- Proposed Pipeline Abandonment Procedure
- PayGov receipt in the amount of \$2,170.00 to cover the processing fee for the Application to Decommission the Right-Of-Way Pipeline.

Please direct any questions concerning this application to Erin Rachal at (713) 969-1311. Please direct any technical questions to Esau Velazquez, Sr. Project Manager at (713) 969-1363.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M Magilton", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Michael Magilton  
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer,  
Treasurer and Secretary

cc  
enclosures

Sabine Oil & Gas Corporation  
Pipeline Segment No. 8020  
Originating at West Cameron 314 A and  
Terminating at West Cameron 314 42" SSTI

Proposed Pipeline Abandonment Procedure

General Information

BOEMRE Segment No.: 8020  
Pipeline Description: 8" GAS  
MAOP: 1440  
Pipeline Length: 9,414'  
Pipeline Capacity: 585 BBLS

Abandonment Procedure

1. Mobilize Dive Support Vessel (DSV) and flushing equipment to the field.
2. Set up the flushing equipment at the WC 314 A Platform.
3. Set up the DSV over the SSTI at WC 314 42SSTI and
  - Confirm Segment 8022 is abandoned at Flange B,
  - Confirm Valve 2 is closed
  - Close Valve 1 (Tap Valve) and Valve 3, count the number of turns
  - Bleed down pipeline from the platform
  - Open Valve 1 and ¼ Open Valve 3, count the number of turns
  - Pig the pipeline with 1.05 volumes of seawater
  - Stop flushing once the pig reaches Valve 3 by confirmation of a spike in pressure
4. Once the a clean sheen test is passed, Divers at WC 314 42 SSTI will:
  - Close Valves 1 and Valve 3
  - Disconnect Pipeline at Flange A and Flange C
  - Retrieve section of pipeline to the surface
  - Install a plumber's plug in the cut end of the pipeline. Bury the end of the abandoned pipeline 3-ft below the mudline and cover with a pallet of sand/cement bags place on top.
  - Install 12-in 600# RTJ flange(with 1" SS ball valve and plug) at FLANGE A
  - Cover SSTI with sand only bags
5. At the WC 314 A platform:
  - Install blind flanges, with bleed plugs, to the production piping at each end of pipeline.
  - Cut and remove a 3 to 4 ft section of the riser above the water line
  - Install a plumber's plug at the top of the riser. Saws will be utilized to make the required cuts. Note: pipe shall not be "torch cut".
6. Divers will relocate to WC 314 A Platform and:
  - Jet out the pipeline approximately 20' from the base of the riser and "cold cut" the pipe at that point. A pollution dome will be set above each cut point.
  - Divers will then "cold cut" the riser above the tube-turn and retrieve the tube-turn and section of pipe to surface.
  - A plumber's plug will then be installed in the cut end of the pipeline and the end buried to 3' of cover and a pallet of sand/cement bags place on top.
7. Demobilize DSV.