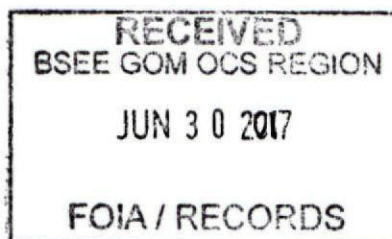


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Mr. K. Scott Spence
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Dear Mr. Spence:

By letter dated October 19, 2016, and supplemental information received November 3, 2016, LLOG Exploration Offshore, L.L.C. (LLOG) requests approval of a Suspension of Production (SOP) and an activity schedule for the Viosca Knoll (VK) Block 959 Unit, Agreement No. 754315009. The unit consists of portions of Leases OCS-G 27247, 27249, and 34874, and was held by operations through December 8, 2016.

LLOG has executed a Production Handling Agreement with the owners of a host processing facility. On June 11, 2016, LLOG concluded operations to complete Lease OCS-G 34874, Well SS001. Unit production will commence following the installation of the production module, line pipe and umbilical.

In accordance with Articles IX, XVI, and XVII of the Unit Agreement and 30 CFR 250.174(a), an SOP for the VK Block 959 Unit is hereby approved from December 9, 2016, through June 30, 2017. Lease OCS-G 27249 will be included in the unit SOP from December 9, 2016, through June 30, 2017, since the unit was held by unit operations through December 8, 2016. Lease OCS-G 27247 will be included in the unit SOP from January 20 through June 30, 2017, since this lease was held through January 19, 2017, by operations on the non-unitized portion of the lease. This unit suspension excludes Lease OCS-G 34874 since the primary term extends beyond the expiration of the SOP. LLOG is expected to follow the enclosed SOP activity schedule and must notify this office in writing (progress report) by the end of each month in which a deadline is scheduled. The SOP activity schedule and any approved revisions made thereto will satisfy the Unit Agreement requirements of Article 9.3 for a plan of operations. Once production commences, an approved unit plan of operations pursuant to the Unit Agreement shall be required. If you have any questions, contact Mr. Imran Vahora at (504) 736-2664 or imran.vahora@bsee.gov.

Sincerely,

(Org. Signed) **Richie D. Baud**

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