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Mr. Rian S. Riche
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Dear Mr. Riche:

By letter dated December 19, 2018, Shell Offshore Inc. (Shell) requests approval of a Suspension of Production (SOP) for the Mississippi Canyon (MC) Block 525 Unit, Agreement No. 754317003. The unit consists of portions of Leases OCS-G 31507, 31513, 33161 and 33163, from depths below 18,000 feet SSTVD down to and including 50,000 feet SSTVD, and was held by an SOP through December 31, 2018.

Shell has completed integration of the topsides and hull for the host facility and the host facility has arrived at the host location. Initial host production will follow the ongoing operations to deepen and complete wells at the host location and the final hook-up and commissioning of the host facility and subsea production systems.

In accordance with Articles IX, XVI, and XVII of the Unit Agreement, 30 CFR 250.174(a), and NTL No. 2000-G17, an SOP for the MC Block 525 Unit is hereby approved from January 1 through October 31, 2019. The primary term for Leases OCS-G 33161, and 33163 expires July 31, 2019, and these same leases will be included in the unit SOP from August 1, 2019, through October 31, 2019. Shell 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. If you have any questions, contact Ms. Kimberly Ward at (504) 736-2677 or Kimberly.Ward@bsee.gov.

Sincerely,

(Orig. Signed) Richie D. Baud

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Enclosure

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✓ Leases OCS-G 31507, 31513, 33161, and 33163-Public (GE 555A)

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