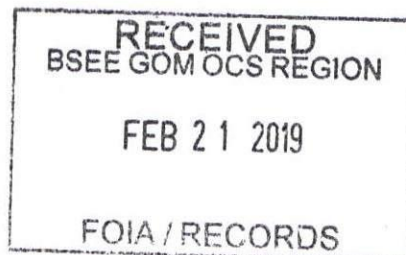


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January 15, 2019

Mr. Keith Krenek
Northstar Offshore Ventures LLC
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Houston, Texas 77046



Dear Mr. Krenek:

By letter dated July 27, 2018, revised August 31, and amended December 26, 2018, and emails dated July 27 through December 27, 2018, Northstar Offshore Ventures LLC (Northstar) requests a Suspension of Production (SOP) for Lease OCS-G 5687, South Pass (SP) Block 86. This lease was held by prior production, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.180, through July 27, 2018.

Production from Lease OCS-G 5687 ceased on July 27, 2017, due to Lease Automatic Custody Transfer (LACT) unit Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) issues on the SP Block 86 C platform. Following full function testing of the facility's surface safety system, and the final inspections and approvals by the New Orleans District, production is scheduled to be resumed by the end of January 2019.

An SOP for Lease OCS-G 5687 is hereby approved, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.174(a), from July 28, 2018, through January 31, 2019. Northstar, or any subsequent operator, is expected to notify this office in writing when production is restored. If you have any questions regarding this matter, contact Ms. Kathy Gomez at (504) 736-2648 or Kathy.Gomez@bsee.gov.

Sincerely,

(Org. Signed) Richie D. Baud

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Regional Supervisor
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