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Mr. B.J. Kruse, III Shell Offshore, Inc. One Shell Square P.O. Box 61933 New Orleans, LA 70161-1933



Dear Mr. Kruse:

By letter dated February 8, 2019, and e-mail dated March 7, 2019, Shell Offshore, Inc. (Shell) requests a Suspension of Production (SOP) for Lease OCS-G 9895, Mississippi Canyon Block 898. This lease was held by prior production, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.180, through March 12, 2019.

Production from Lease OCS-G 9895 ceased on March 12, 2018, when Well SS002 was shut in due to flow assurance issues in the downstream flowline. Shell successfully remediated the flow assurance issues in February 2019. Shell, however, requires additional time to conduct wellbore troubleshooting activities to resume production from Lease OCS-G 9895.

An SOP for Lease OCS-G 9895 is hereby approved, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.174(a), from March 13 through September 30, 2019. Shell, or any subsequent operator, is expected to follow the enclosed activity schedule and must notify this office in writing (progress report) by the end of each month that a deadline is scheduled. If you have any questions regarding this matter, contact Ms. Lauren Woitha at (504) 736-2855 or Lauren. Woitha@bsee.gov.

Sincerely,

(Orig. Sgd.) Troy J. Guidry

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Enclosure

