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Mr. Ben Marchive II  
Cox Operating, L.L.C.  
1615 Poydras Street, Suite 830  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70112

Dear Mr. Marchive:

By letter dated August 10, 2020, Cox Operating, L.L.C. (Cox) requests a Suspension of Production (SOP) for Lease OCS-G 17182 (the Lease), High Island Block A-472. The Lease was held by prior production, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.180, through August 13, 2020.

Production from the Lease ceased on August 13, 2019, due to a lack of fuel gas for the field. Cox has completed installation of a nitrogen system to restart the field and performed other necessary repairs. Following completion of repairs to the water processing vessel (Unicell), Cox plans to reestablish Lease production by the end of September 2020.

An SOP for Lease OCS-G 17182 is hereby approved, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.174(a), from August 14, 2020, through September 30, 2020. Cox, or any subsequent operator, must notify this office in writing upon commencement of production. If you have any questions regarding this matter, contact Mr. Patrick Roberts at (504) 736-2476 or [Patrick.Roberts@bsee.gov](mailto:Patrick.Roberts@bsee.gov).

Sincerely,

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