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In Reply Refer To: GM 274E

May 24, 2013

Ms. Jill Fowler  
Anadarko Petroleum Corporation  
1201 Lake Robbins Drive  
The Woodlands, Texas 77380

Dear Ms. Fowler:

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No.	S-07604
Type	Supplemental Exploration Plan
Received	February 21, 2013, amended March 19, April 5 and 15, 2013
Lease(s)	OCS-G 21817, Block 768, Green Canyon Area

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of May 24, 2013, in accordance with 30 CFR 550.233(b)(1).

This approval includes the activities proposed for Wells B and BB.

Exercise caution while drilling due to indications of possible shallow gases at Wells B and BB.

In response to the request accompanying your plan for a hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) classification, the area in which the proposed drilling operations are to be conducted is hereby classified, in accordance with 30 CFR 250.490(c), as "H<sub>2</sub>S absent."

Our review indicates that the proposed operations have the potential to impact submerged archaeological resources that could be in the area of potential effect (APE), which encompasses all portions of the seafloor where bottom-disturbing activities are to occur. Before conducting any authorized, bottom disturbing activities, the company will follow the guidance provided at

[http://www.boem.gov/uploadedFiles/BOEM/Environmental\\_Stewardship/Archaeology/Guidance.pdf](http://www.boem.gov/uploadedFiles/BOEM/Environmental_Stewardship/Archaeology/Guidance.pdf), which includes minimum survey recommendations, requisite certification submittals, and post-activity reporting standards needed to ensure compliance with the regulations under 30 CFR 550.194.

Our review indicates that there are pipelines, cables and existing wells in the vicinity of Wells(B and BB) that may pose a hazard to your proposed operations. Therefore, take precautions in accordance with Notice to Lessees and Operators No. 2008-G05, Section VI.B, prior to performing operations.

You must comply with the following species protective measures in all activities conducted pursuant to the plan:

- Joint Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL) No. 2012-G01, "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protected Species Reporting" (available at <<http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G01-pdf.aspx>>);
- Joint NTL No. 2012-G02, "Implementation of Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program" available at <<http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G02-pdf.aspx>>; and
- NTL No. 2012-BSEE-G01, "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination" (available at <<http://www.bsee.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Notices-to-Lessees/2012/2012-BSEE-G01-pdf.aspx>>).

These measures are designed to promote environmental protection, consistent environmental policy, compliance with environmental laws, and safety.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this approval, please contact Michelle Griffitt Evans at (504)736-2975.

Sincerely,

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