Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ANALYSIS WORKSHEET

Identify the IPF's that can cause impacts to the listed environmental resources by placing an "x" in the space under each IPF category associated with your proposed activities that may impact a particular environmental resource. If you determine an IPF would not impact a particular environmental resource, leave the space blank. For those cells that are footnoted, provide a statement as to the applicability to your proposed operations, and, where there may be an effect, provide an analysis of the effect. If you are aware of other

environmental resources at or near your activity's site that are not included on the worksheet, address them too. **Impact Producing Factors (IPFs) Environmental** Categories and Examples Resources Refer to a recent GOM OCS Lease Sale EIS for a more complete list of IPFs **Emissions** Effluents (muds, Physical Accidents Wastes Other (air, noise, cuttings, other disturbances sent to (e.g., oil spills, **IPFs** discharges to the to the seafloor chemical light, etc.) shore for you water column or (rig or anchor treatment spills, H₂S identify seafloor) emplacements, or disposal releases) etc.) Site-specific at Offshore Location Designated topographic (1) (1) (1) features Pinnacle Trend area live (2) (2) (2) bottoms Eastern Gulf live bottoms (3) (3)(3)Chemosynthetic communities (4)Water quality Fisheries Marine mammals (8)(8)Sea turtles (8)(8)Air quality (9)Shipwreck sites (known or **(7)** potential) Prehistoric archaeological sites **(7) Vicinity of Offshore Location** Essential fish habitat (6) Marine and pelagic birds Public health and safety (5) **Coastal and Onshore** Beaches (6)Wetlands (6)Shore birds and coastal nesting (6) birds Coastal wildlife refuges Wilderness areas Other Resources You **Identify**

NOTE: The numbers in parentheses refer to the footnotes on page 2 of this form.

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Footnotes for Environmental Impact Analysis Matrix

- 1. Activities that may affect a marine sanctuary or topographic feature. Specifically, if the well or platform site or any anchors will be on the seafloor within the:
 - (a) 4-mile zone of the Flower Garden Banks, or the 3-mile zone of Stetson Bank;
 - (b) 1000-m, 1-mile or 3-mile zone of any topographic feature (submarine bank) protected by the Topographic Features Stipulation attached to an OCS lease:
 - (c) Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) criteria of 500 ft from any no-activity zone; or
 - (d) Proximity of any submarine bank (500 ft buffer zone) with relief greater than 2 meters that is not protected by the Topographic Features Stipulation attached to an OCS lease.
- 2. Activities with any bottom disturbance within a OCS lease block protected through the Live Bottom (Pinnacle Trend) Stipulation attached to an OCS lease.
- 3. Activities within any Eastern Gulf OCS block where seafloor habitats are protected by the Live Bottom (Low-Relief) Stipulation attached to an OCS lease.
- 4. Activities on blocks designated by the BOEMRE as being in water depths 400 meters or greater.
- 5. Exploration or production activities where H₂S concentrations greater than 500 ppm might be encountered.
- 6. All activities that could result in an accidental spill of produced liquid hydrocarbons or diesel fuel that you determine would impact these environmental resources. If the proposed action is located a sufficient distance from a resource that no impact would occur, the EIA can note that in a sentence or two.
- All activities that involve seafloor disturbances, including anchor emplacements, in any OCS block designated by the BOEMRE as having high-probability for the occurrence of shipwrecks or prehistoric sites, including such blocks that will be affected that are adjacent to the lease block in which your planned activity will occur. If the proposed activities are located a sufficient distance from a shipwreck or prehistoric site that no impact would occur, the EIA can note that in a sentence or two.
- All activities that you determine might have an adverse effect on endangered or threatened marine mammals or sea turtles or their critical habitats.
- 9. Production activities that involve transportation of produced fluids to shore using shuttle tankers or barges.

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