

From: [Celata, Michael](#)
To: [Kaller, Agatha-Marie \(Arie\)](#)
Subject: Re: GOM Wind and 2022 SEIS
Date: Friday, January 7, 2022 9:59:26 AM

Thanks. This is a great summary update. Not too much.

Mike

Michael A. Celata

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From: Kaller, Agatha-Marie (Arie) <Arie.Kaller@boem.gov>
Sent: Friday, January 7, 2022 8:52 AM
To: Celata, Michael <Michael.Celata@boem.gov>
Subject: GOM Wind and 2022 SEIS

Hi Mike,

GOM WIND:

EAS made a high level pros and cons list for the programmatic EA on Call vs the EA on the WEA. It is good and can be backup information, but I feel may be too in the weeds for what we want to have in our discussion today. The table is set up by topic and each row lists the parallel pros and cons of the topic for the Call Area and WEA analysis. If there is not a parallel, the block in the table is greyed out.

For OREP and PAC: We spoke with Michelle Morin and Rick Yard yesterday

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For SOL: (b) (5)

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2022 SEIS:

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I know this was a lot but wanted to know what has evolved the last day or so.

*Thanks,
Arie*

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From: [Celata, Michael](#)
To: [Kaller, Agatha-Marie \(Arie\)](#); [Thomas, Bernadette S](#)
Subject: Re: Dir Call
Date: Thursday, January 20, 2022 3:46:31 PM

Thanks for the summary.

I did not know OSR finalized a definition of pre-lease.

Glad we (b) (5)

I am not sure if (b) (5)

I think (b) (5)

Mike

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To: Celata, Michael <Michael.Celata@boem.gov>; Thomas, Bernadette S <Bernadette.Thomas@boem.gov>
Subject: Dir Call

Not really much new was discussed at the Dir call that is not things we have heard before. Nothing about 259.

- The National Program briefing for the ASLM and Tommy went well (b) (5)
- OSR finalized a definition of pre-lease but I did not know if that is something you had heard about.
- OMB is not doing the passback this week and we do not know when they will.
- Starting to get questions on FY24 but hard to really say because we do not have baselines for FY 22 or 23.
- Still figuring out masks. Thinking it will be a double mask with the surgical and cloths one that BOEM will provide.
- Comms is working on inspirational BOEM posters to show what we do.
- AK is seeing what they can do to help OSR/OEP with the BPA

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- OREP working on ARs for the lawsuits. South Fork COP signed.

That was the jest that I got.

*Thanks,
Arie*

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From: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
To: [Carr, Megan E](#)
Subject: Re: URGENT: Clarification needed for 259 work
Date: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 6:38:22 PM
Attachments: [Outlook-ge4hkciy.png](#)

I will call you tomorrow.

From: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 12:59 PM
To: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
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Subject: URGENT: Clarification needed for 259 work

Hello Walter,

In discussions with Econ this morning, we have a few points of clarification we'd like as we work on responses to the 257 Opinion.

We learned this morning (b) (5)

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Alternatively, (b) (5), we can focus our efforts on the National Program and those future efforts. We look forward to your feedback.

Thank you,

Megan Carr, PhD, CPG

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From: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: Re: 258 Notice
Date: Monday, February 7, 2022 8:17:02 AM
Attachments: [ASLM Decision Memo- BOEM Recommends Cancelling Cook Inlet Lease Sale 258 draft v2 1-25-2022 wdc with SOL changes sf.docx](#)

From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Sunday, February 6, 2022 2:01 PM
To: Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>
Cc: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: 258 Notice

Thank you—the memo is with Laura now—Ericka, will you pull down the latest version from DTS and send it to Travis and I. (b) (5)

On Feb 6, 2022, at 9:37 AM, Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov> wrote:

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To: Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>
Subject: Re: 258 Notice

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On Feb 5, 2022, at 7:53 PM, Annatoyn, Travis J
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From: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: FW: Sale 258 - DMR responses to Andrew Bernie's queries
Date: Monday, February 7, 2022 11:41:12 AM

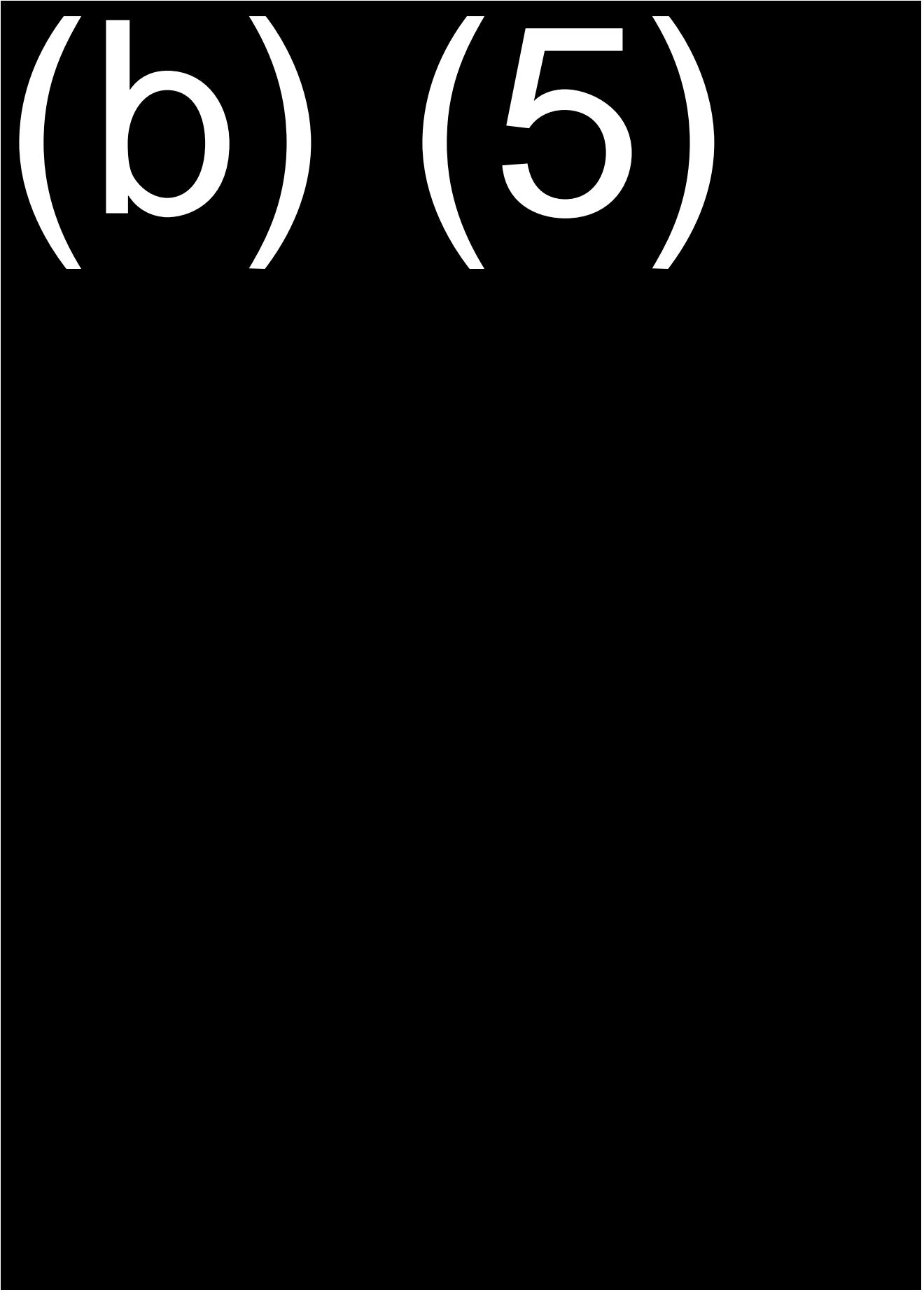
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From: Daugherty, Dennis <Dennis.Daugherty@sol.doi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 9:48 AM
To: Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>
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Subject: Sale 258 - DMR responses to Andrew Bernie's queries

Travis,

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From: [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Notes from LDD hearing
Date: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 12:30:00 PM

Opening statements:

- Murkowski: DOI is treating Alaska like its landlord

Manchin:

- Can you explain the Department's leasing program and where it stands?
 - We are in compliance with the court's order in LA v. Biden
 - Inspired to work within the law, public input, and the Secretary to reduce conflicts

Murkowski:

- Willow, Ambler Road
- Pointed to the LS 258 analysis that prices will increase under the no action alternative, and expressed great concern that such an option is on the table

Lankford:

- Offshore wind came up when questioning Rep. Robinson (nominee for DOE Electricity) about the reliability of an electric grid growing in dependence on renewable energy. Her response was the offshore wind will play a critical role in meeting energy needs in the northeast, but not the only option.

Cortez-Masto:

- Question about increasing domestic supplies of critical minerals on public lands and balancing the goals of America the Beautiful -- do you agree that this balance can be achieved while also achieving our clean energy goals?
 - President and Secretary support responsible development of critical minerals, deployment of renewable energy technology, and conservation, which aligns well with BLM's multiple-use mandate. Need to deconflict, protect wildlife, and conserve certain areas while also moving forward with development in a balanced manner.

Lee:

- Cook Inlet draft EIS includes a no action alternative -- is the Administration's plan always to choose the lowest emission alternative from reviews?
 - No, and no decision has been made regarding LS 258
 - Full develop all alternatives in an EIS, in compliance with the law

- Question about DOI oil and gas leasing report and how it fits into Biden's campaign promise to ban oil and gas leasing?
 - Leasing process is underway onshore and offshore, and the report includes recommendations for the leasing programs to provide better returns for the taxpayer, is less speculative, and proper environmental review

Cassidy:

- Has DOI began the process of complying with the January court order in order to re-do LS 257 and award the leases?
 - DOI is reviewing the decision and are at the beginning
 - No timeline
- Response: workers in my state are frustrated by "foot dragging"
- Is DOI working on the notice of sale for LS 259 in order to hold it before the program expires?
 - Not in a position to get ahead of Secretarial decisions, but are moving forward with the leasing program in compliance with the LA v. Biden
 - Secretary has wide discretion, we are in a deliberative position
- Does DOI's effective moratorium take into account that offshore lease sales has lower emissions and increases domestic jobs?
 - Aware of the 2016 report, climate is part of analysis for lease sales
- 3 environmental groups filed a 52-page complaint 4 hours after the ROD was signed, which seems odd -- did LDD coordinate with any groups outside the Department regarding LS 257?
 - No, and the analysis developed by the previous administration for the sale was in the public realm for a while

King:

- Quoted Steve Feldgus in being eager to work with Senators Cassidy and King on revenue sharing, asked to confirm that promise?
 - Yes

Hyde-Smith:

- Quoted 2016 analysis, question about LDD's views on turning away from "cleaner U.S.-produced oil and gas"?
 - Production and permitting continues, we are moving forward with the leasing programs
- Why is the administration determined on restricting domestic production and turning to OPEC and Russia for supplies?
 - With production ongoing and so many permits available, 70% not yet in production offshore, there is plenty of supply available

- Status of five year program? Timeline?
 - BOEM is following statutory guidelines and moving forward with development of the next five year program
 - No timeline -- Secretary is in a deliberative posture

Kelly:

- Question about strategic rare earth minerals reserve
 - Committed to working with his office on the issue

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To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: Petition to stop new GOM drilling & permits
Date: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 4:53:32 PM
Attachments: [Emergency Petition to Halt New Drilling in the Gulf of Mexico February 2022.pdf](#)

Hey Amanda and Travis,

If you haven't already seen this, 310 groups submitted this petition to Secretary Haaland calling for an end to new leasing and permitting for oil and gas in the Gulf of Mexico.

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Peace,

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To: [Wallace, Andrew G](#); [Quinn, Matthew J](#)
Cc: [Knodel, Marissa S](#); [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
Subject: Fwd: QFR's from confirmation hearing
Date: Thursday, February 10, 2022 4:06:46 PM

Hey Drew and Matt

As you know, (b) (5) The
answer is that we are required to do a no action alternative, it's NEPA. (b) (5)

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Knodel, Marissa S" <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Date: February 10, 2022 at 3:47:31 PM EST
To: "Lefton, Amanda B" <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>, "Cruickshank, Walter" <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: QFR's from confirmation hearing

Response to Murkowski question #7 from the document:

Question 7: In the Draft SEIS for the Cook Inlet Lease Sale #258, for the first time, BOEM uses economics-based models to examine the lifecycle GHG emissions associated with OCS oil and gas development. As a result of this analysis, [on page 46] BOEM found that “under the No Action Alternative oil prices would be expected to be slightly higher due to the lower energy supply relative to the proposed action.” It also goes further to state that increases in natural gas prices will result in an additional demand for coal.

1. Do you agree with this analysis?
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3. If BOEM is correct in their No Action Alternative analysis that the “absence of LS 258 production, oil prices will be slightly higher than they would be under the Proposed Action,” would the same analysis apply to the lease sales that the Department failed to uphold over the course of 2021?
 - a. If the Department chooses not to appeal the court’s actions on lease sale 257, does the department concede that oil prices will be slightly higher than they would if lease sale 257 were producing?

Response: Against the backdrop of recent litigation and invalidation of leasing decisions by courts, it is critically important that the Department comply with the

law, enhance analyses to address deficiencies identified by the courts, and follow the established process and protocols for developing the Draft SEIS for Cook Inlet Lease Sale 258. That is just what BOEM is doing. The process BOEM is working through entails a review that considers several alternatives, including the No Action alternative required by NEPA, and comments submitted on those alternatives are being evaluated and considered. No decisions have been made about the selection of one of the alternatives. BOEM will continue to follow the law and follow the appropriate process to develop the alternatives.

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Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2022 12:07 PM
To: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: QFR's from confirmation hearing

This is perfect. Thank you.

From: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2022 11:48 AM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: QFR's from confirmation hearing

The attached file contains my draft response to the two questions assigned to BOEM. The questions are similar, so the responses are as well. Please note that the guidance states "brevity is key." Two to three sentences is generally preferred, unless there is a compelling reason to write more.

I've been asked to add the responses to the shared file by 3:00. I will do so as soon as I receive your edits.

Thanks,
Walter

From: Cruickshank, Walter
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2022 10:56 AM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S

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Subject: QFR's from confirmation hearing

All the questions following Laura's confirmation hearing are in. We have been tasked with drafting answers to 2 of them **by 3:00 today**. They are Barasso questions 6 & 7 below. For awareness, I've also copied below two other questions specific to the OCS program that OCL plans to answer themselves.

I will draft initial answers to the assigned questions this morning and share with you. After receiving your feedback, I will enter them into the shared document that OCL provided. I will also share that file with you right after sending this message so you can see all the questions.

Barrasso questions assigned to BOEM:

Question 6: The Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act requires the Secretary of the Interior to prepare and maintain a 5-year leasing program. Under current regulations, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) would presumably have had to initiate public outreach well before now, in order to have a new Five Year Program in place by the time the current Program expires. We are past this deadline, so there will be a gap between the current and new program. Now that DOI has completed its Review of Federal Leasing, please explain why BOEM has not taken steps to develop a new Five Year Program in time to prevent a gap in Programs.

[Assign to BOEM] (Last administration began 5-year-plan but then ceased work after objections...)

Response:

Question 7: The DOI had previously proposed a 2019-2024 Draft Proposed OCS Leasing Program and issued a Notice of Intent to prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. The next required step is the publication of a Proposed Program and Draft PEIS based on the prior proposal. Will BOEM utilize and advance the work done on the 2019-2024 Program to ensure that offshore oil and gas lease sales are held between 2022 and 2024?

[Assign to BOEM]

Murkowski

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Response: Matt (transcript: predecisional Mike Lee exchange)

Lankford

Question 2: Ms. Daniel-Davis, as you know, the 5-year plan for offshore oil and gas leasing expires June of this year. The statute governing offshore leasing requires DOI to, quote, “prepare and periodically revise, and maintain an oil and gas leasing program.” I have not seen a proposal to update the plan in the last year.

1. Is it the intention of DOI to issue a new 5-year leasing plan?
2. If so, has DOI taken any steps to update the 5-year plan?
 - a. If so, what specifically has the agency done to move a new plan forward?
 - b. When do you expect a new 5-year plan to be in place? I understand it may be hard to provide an exact date, but please provide a ballpark.

Response: Matt

[See transcript]

[From transcript - BOEM is absolutely working forward on the next five-year plan as you know I think probably better than anyone. OCSLA is a very prescriptive law and they are following the process carefully so that we get some good outcomes.

From: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: QFR on 258
Date: Thursday, February 10, 2022 4:09:45 PM
Attachments: [Draft QFRs - Murkowski #7.docx](#)

Amanda,

I was given a quick opportunity to look at the response to the 258 question, and provided a couple of tweaks (see attached for edits and explanations). It appears they have been added to the main document, but can be further revised during the roundtable review.

Walter

From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
Subject: Re: QFR on 258
Date: Thursday, February 10, 2022 4:11:10 PM

Thanks. You addressed my concerns. We can seek to ensure this is included in the final.

On Feb 10, 2022, at 4:09 PM, Cruickshank, Walter
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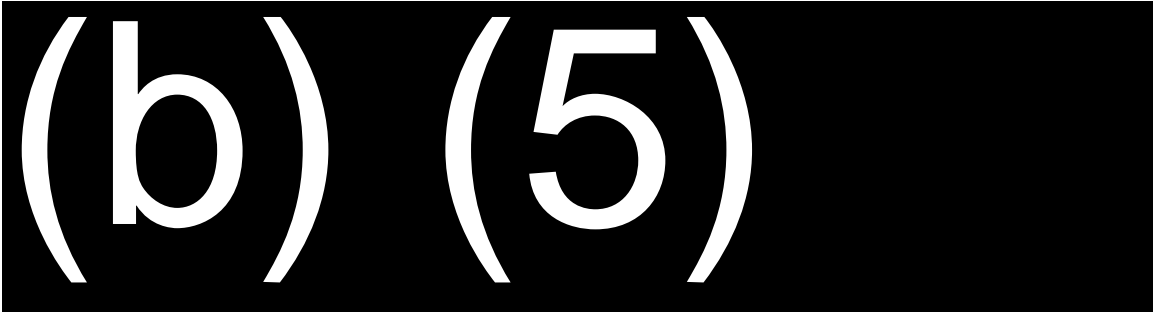
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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: Re: W.D. LA enjoins certain uses of SCC
Date: Friday, February 11, 2022 12:47:51 PM

Looking forward to talking more about this

On Feb 11, 2022, at 12:47 PM, Annatoyn, Travis J
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Hi all:



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<[gov.uscourts.lawd.180392.98.0.pdf](#)>

From: [Culver, Nada L](#)
To: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#); [Stone-Manning, Tracy M](#); [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: RE: W.D. LA enjoins certain uses of SCC
Date: Friday, February 11, 2022 1:44:54 PM

Thanks, Travis.

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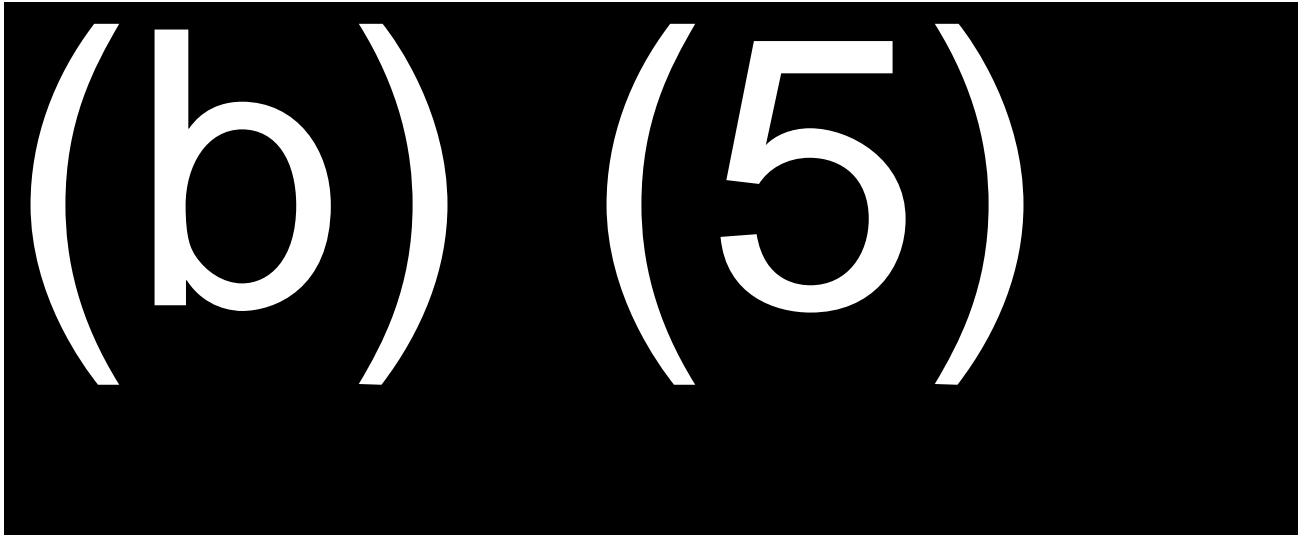
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To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: FW: Sale 259 SEIS and Cain ruling
Date: Saturday, February 12, 2022 4:59:48 PM
Attachments: [Email to Travis on Impacts to 259 SEIS of La v. Biden \(EO 13990\) Preliminary Injunction.docx](#)

Hi Amanda:



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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: RE: Sale 259 SEIS and Cain ruling
Date: Saturday, February 12, 2022 5:07:53 PM

Thank you. Will you please send this to Laura and I

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From: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
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Subject: RE: Sale 259 SEIS and Cain ruling
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Attachments: [Email to Travis on Impacts to 259 SEIS of La v. Biden \(EO 13990\) Preliminary Injunction.docx](#)

Adding Laura and fixing some typos in my original email.

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From: [Kendall, James J.](#)
To: [AK ORD, BOEM](#)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Please Read: DOJ injunction compliance email
Date: Friday, June 10, 2022 3:43:09 PM
Attachments: [99 Preliminary Injunction Order.pdf](#)
[98 Preliminary Injunction Opinion.pdf](#)
Importance: High

From: Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 4:54 AM
To: SLT_BOEM <slt_boem@doimspp.onmicrosoft.com>
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Please Read: DOJ injunction compliance email
Importance: High

All,

See below and attached, this came in over the weekend.

Thanks,
Isis

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From: Patnaik, Bivan R <bivan_patnaik@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Sunday, February 13, 2022 8:49 AM
To: Regulatory Contacts <Regulatory_Contacts@ios.doi.gov>; Interagency Reviewers <InteragencyReviewers@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Cardinale, Richard <Richard_Cardinale@ios.doi.gov>; Yudson, Charles A <charles_yudson@ios.doi.gov>; Horton, Clifton A <clifton_horton@ios.doi.gov>; Cohen, Sheila <sheila_cohen@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Please Read: DOJ injunction compliance email
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Folks,

Please see this email from OMB w/attachments from DOJ regarding a federal district court in the Western District of Louisiana issuing the attached order granting Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction in Louisiana v. Biden, No. 21-cv-1074-JDC-KK. This is w/respect to social costs of greenhouse gas emissions.

Thanks,

B

Bivan R. Patnaik

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From: Mancini, Dominic J. EOP/OMB (b) (6) .gov>
Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2022 3:19 PM
To: Mancini, Dominic J. EOP/OMB (b) (6) .gov>
Cc: DL OMB OIRA (b) (6) gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Read: DOJ injunction compliance email
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Dear Colleagues,

First, apologies for the Saturday email, but I wanted to pass along the following message developed by DOJ. I am confident that many of you will have questions on particular issues or actions this preliminary injunction could affect: please do not hesitate to reach out using one of the options listed below. Also, because our contact lists are ever evolving, please do not hesitate to forward this message to others in your organization.

In addition, I wanted to provide a heads up (b) (5)

OMB is also ready to help you in that: in addition to the same contacts below, any questions on this supplemental exercise can be channeled through your OIRA desk officer.

Of course, thank you so much in advance for your prompt attention, and also for the hard work many of you will likely put into complying with this injunction.

Take care,

Dom

Dominic J Mancini, PhD

Deputy Administrator
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs
Office of Management and Budget

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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Daniel-Davis, Laura E](#)
Cc: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: Re: Sale 259 SEIS and Cain ruling
Date: Monday, February 14, 2022 7:49:25 AM

10 works well

On Feb 14, 2022, at 7:04 AM, Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

I can talk this morning, possibly at 10 or 10:30 if you two can.

From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2022 5:16 PM
To: Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>; Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: Sale 259 SEIS and Cain ruling

Thanks, Travis

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From: Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>
Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2022 5:12 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: Sale 259 SEIS and Cain ruling

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From: Annatoyn, Travis J
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To: Lefton, Amanda B <[Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov](#)>
Subject: FW: Sale 259 SEIS and Cain ruling

Hi Amanda:

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From: Daugherty, Dennis <Dennis.Daugherty@sol.doi.gov>

Sent: Friday, February 11, 2022 4:24 PM

To: Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>

Cc: Hawbecker, Karen S <KAREN.HAWBECKER@sol.doi.gov>; Hearne, Melissa <melissa.hearne@sol.doi.gov>

Subject: Sale 259 SEIS and Cain ruling

Dennis Daugherty
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From: [Brown, William Y](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Cruickshank, Walter](#); [Carr, Megan E](#); [Lindow, Emily R](#); [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
Subject: DOJ Brief Appealing District Court Pause Decision
Date: Monday, February 14, 2022 10:30:25 AM
Attachments: [DOJ Brief Appealing Daughty Decision on Pause.pdf](#)

FYI that I referred to this morning.

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From: [Celata, Michael](#)
To: [Kaller, Agatha-Marie \(Arie\)](#); [Thomas, Bernadette S](#); [Maclay, Donald DMM](#); [Alonso, Carlos](#); [Lyncker, Lissa A](#); [Daigle, Michele](#); [Robbins, Laura A](#); [Sherman, Christa](#)
Subject: Fwd: Louisiana v. Biden Court Issues Injunction Against Quantifying the Cost of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) in Department Actions
Date: Monday, February 14, 2022 2:32:56 PM

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Subject: Fwd: Louisiana v. Biden Court Issues Injunction Against Quantifying the Cost of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) in Department Actions

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Tommy P; Taylor, Rachael S; Greenberger, Sarah D; Klein, Elizabeth A; Kelly, Katherine P

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From: [Farmer, Isis U](#)
To: [Cruikshank, Walter](#)
Subject: FW: Identification docs affected by Louisiana v Biden prelim injunction
Date: Monday, February 14, 2022 4:40:54 PM
Attachments: [Outlook-k4gawbjh.png](#)

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From: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 4:34 PM
To: Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>
Cc: Lewandowski, Jill K <Jill.Lewandowski@boem.gov>; Golladay, Jennifer L <Jennifer.Golladay@boem.gov>
Subject: Fw: Identification docs affected by Louisiana v Biden prelim injunction

Hi Isis,

Could you please double check and make sure the below list is on the spreadsheet.

Thank you,

Megan Carr, PhD, CPG

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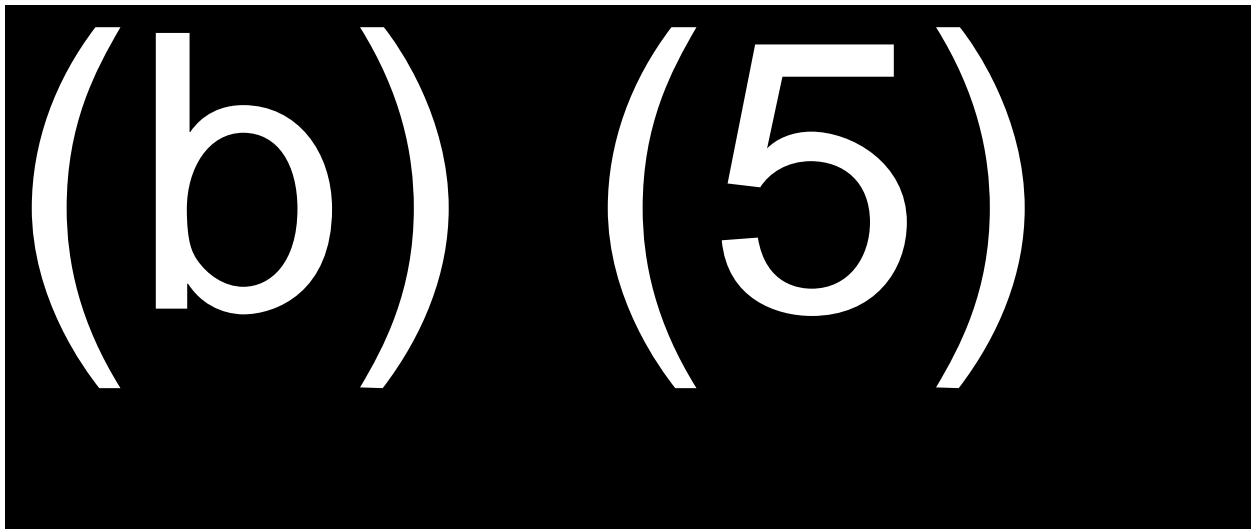
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From: Lewandowski, Jill K <Jill.Lewandowski@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 3:41 PM
To: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>
Cc: Brown, William Y <William.Brown@boem.gov>; Bennett, James F <James.Bennett@boem.gov>;
Morin, Michelle <Michelle.Morin@boem.gov>; Kendall, James J. <James.Kendall@boem.gov>;
Randall, Sharon A <Sharon.Randall@boem.gov>
Subject: FW: Identification docs affected by Louisiana v Biden prelim injunction

Megan,

Here's what we have. As we discussed, please send along with your submission to help streamline response. I think Sarah already added much of this to the excel sheet. Includes OEP, OREP and Alaska. Sounds like GOMR and Pacific plan to send in their responses individually.



Thanks,
Jill

Jill Lewandowski, Ph.D.

(she/her/hers)

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From: Coffman, Sarah <Sarah.Coffman@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 3:13 PM
To: Lewandowski, Jill K <Jill.Lewandowski@boem.gov>; Bosyk, Jennifer R <Jennifer.Bosyk@boem.gov>; Rucker, Helen G <Helen.Rucker@boem.gov>; Randall, Sharon A <Sharon.Randall@boem.gov>; Fiori, Stephanie L <Stephanie.Fiori@boem.gov>; Davidson, Megan <Megan.Davidson@boem.gov>; Jordan, Brian <Brian.Jordan@boem.gov>; Wolvovsky, Eric J <Eric.Wolvovsky@boem.gov>; Hammerle, Kelly K <Kelly.Hammerle@boem.gov>
Cc: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>; Brown, William Y <William.Brown@boem.gov>; Bravo, Jessica J <jessica.bravo@boem.gov>; Blythe, Brad J <Brad.Blythe@boem.gov>; Cluck, Rodney <Rodney.Cluck@boem.gov>; Furukawa, Yoko <yoko.furukawa@boem.gov>; Kaller, Agatha-Marie (Arie) <Arie.Kaller@boem.gov>; Cable, Samuel T <Samuel.Cable@boem.gov>; Rose, Jennifer A <Jennifer.Rose@boem.gov>; Stork, Allison J <Allison.Stork@boem.gov>; Golladay, Jennifer L <Jennifer.Golladay@boem.gov>; Del Rio, Ross P <Ross.DelRio@boem.gov>; Kendall, James J. <James.Kendall@boem.gov>; Moore, Nicholas C <nicholas.moore@sol.doi.gov>; Miller, Justin T <Justin.Miller@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: Identification docs affected by Louisiana v Biden prelim injunction

Hi Jill – I added a couple items to the list. I've also added these to the shared spreadsheet.

Thanks,
Sarah

Sarah Coffman
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From: Lewandowski, Jill K <Jill.Lewandowski@boem.gov>
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Cc: Carr, Megan E; Brown, William Y; Bravo, Jessica J; Blythe, Brad J; Cluck, Rodney; Furukawa, Yoko; Kaller, Agatha-Marie (Arie); Cable, Samuel T; Rose, Jennifer A; Stork, Allison J; Golladay, Jennifer L; Del Rio, Ross P; Kendall, James J.; Moore, Nicholas C; Miller, Justin T
Subject: Canceled: Identification docs affected by Louisiana v Biden prelim injunction

When: Monday, February 14, 2022 4:00 PM-4:30 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Importance: High

Just thought it made sense to pull this group together for a quick call to make sure we are on the same page re: impacts from preliminary injunction in *Louisiana v. Biden*. Just feel it would be helpful to have a BOEM global idea of its impact.

The DOI SOL boiled it down to the statement below.

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Sent: Friday, February 11, 2022 6:20 PM

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Cc: [Maclay, Donald DMM](#); [Wilson, Matthew MGW](#); [Alonso, Carlos](#); [Yoder, Alex C](#); [Riches, Thomas J](#); [Caravella, Jamie J](#)
Subject: Re: Louisiana v. Biden Court Issues Injunction Against Quantifying the Cost of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) in Department Actions
Date: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 5:45:27 PM

Thanks. Solicitor is (b) (5)

Mike

From: De Cort, Thierry M <Thierry.DeCort@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 7:03:55 PM
To: Celata, Michael <Michael.Celata@boem.gov>
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Subject: Re: Louisiana v. Biden Court Issues Injunction Against Quantifying the Cost of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) in Department Actions

Mike:

When I read *Louisiana v. Biden, Case 2:21-cv-01074-JDC-KK Document 98 Filed 02/11/22*, the Preliminary Injunction ordered by Judge James D. Cain, JR., my interpretation is (b) (5)

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Thierry

From: Alonso, Carlos <Carlos.Alonso@boem.gov>

Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 1:39 PM

To: Wilson, Matthew MGW <Matthew.Wilson@boem.gov>; De Cort, Thierry M <Thierry.DeCort@boem.gov>

Subject: Fw: Louisiana v. Biden Court Issues Injunction Against Quantifying the Cost of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) in Department Actions

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Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 1:32 PM

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Subject: Fwd: Louisiana v. Biden Court Issues Injunction Against Quantifying the Cost of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) in Department Actions

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Subject: Fw: Actual judge decision from last Friday
Date: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 10:37:19 AM
Attachments: [cain-ruling-scc-021122.pdf](#)

FYI

*Thanks,
Arie*

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Subject: Actual judge decision from last Friday

https://cdn.theconversation.com/static_files/files/1972/cain-ruling-scc-021122.pdf

Here is the actual judge decision from last Friday.

Thanks,
Helen

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Date: Thursday, February 17, 2022 10:52:57 AM
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Thank you,

Megan Carr, PhD, CPG

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Mike

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Subject: Re: Louisiana v. Biden Court Issues Injunction Against Quantifying the Cost of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) in Department Actions

Apologies - you were not included on this.

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Sent: Friday, February 11, 2022 6:20 PM

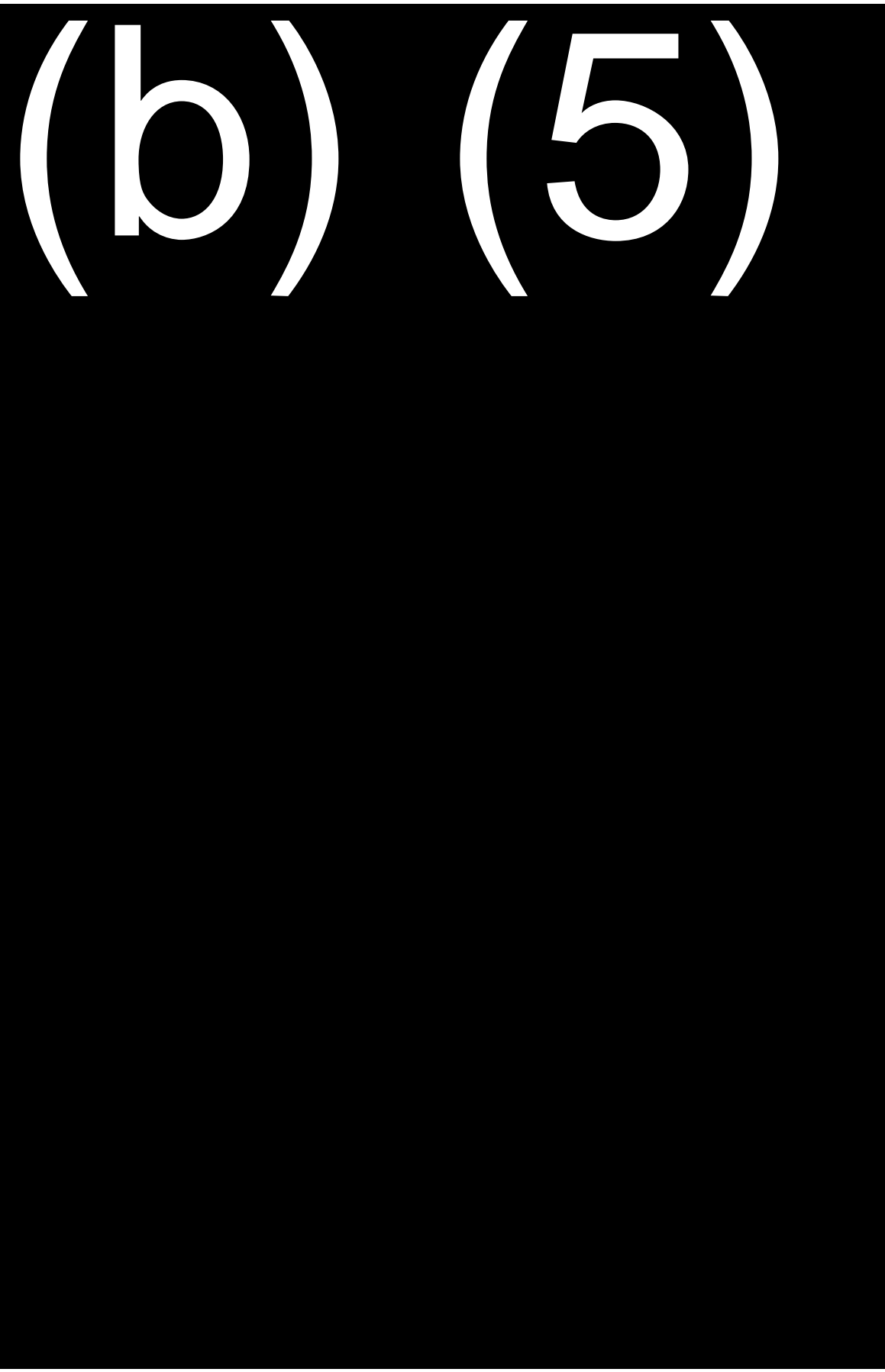
To: Daniel-Davis, Laura E; Stone-Manning, Tracy M; Owens, Glenda H; Werwa, Eric; Newland, Bryan; LaCounte, Darryl; Trujillo, Tanya M; Touton, Camille Calimlim; Estenoz, Shannon A; Sams, Charles F; Williams, Martha M; Beaudreau, Tommy P; Taylor, Rachael S; Greenberger, Sarah D; Klein, Elizabeth A; Kelly, Katherine P

Cc: Culver, Nada L; Annatoyn, Travis J; Landreth, Natalie A; Jain, Ruchi; Schwartz, Melissa A; Wallace, Andrew G; Anderson, Robert T; Caminiti, Mariagrazia; Bledsoe Downes, Ann M; Hawbecker, Karen S; Moody, Aaron G; Noble, Michaela E

Subject: Louisiana v. Biden Court Issues Injunction Against Quantifying the Cost of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) in Department Actions

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To: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: FW: BLM Letter Assistance
Date: Monday, March 7, 2022 2:13:22 PM
Attachments: [2022-01-13 Westerman Herrell to Secretary Haaland re Delayed Lease Sales.pdf](#)
[Draft response Westerman letter ver.2.docx](#)

Hi

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From: Hoskins, Mitchell B <mitchell.hoskins@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 9:22 AM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Subject: BLM Letter Assistance

Good morning Amanda:

BLM received a lengthy letter from Rep. Westerman, the Ranking Member of the HNR. BLM asked for assistance with questions 8 and 9.

Working with SOL (b) (5), and I answered Question 9 utilizing previously stated language on the topic.

Walter has reviewed and cleared, and BOEM will be in the sunaming process when this letter is moved in DTS.

Do you clear?

V/r
Mitch

Mitch Hoskins
Office of Congressional Affairs
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
202-304-2348

From: [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: ASLM tracker & BOEM strategy docs
Date: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 9:12:20 AM
Attachments: [image.png](#)
[BOEM 2022 Milestones.docx](#)
[BOEM CY2022 Goals and Milestones Final 4Jan22.docx](#)

Link to ASLM tracker:  [DRAFT_ASLM Priority Tracker.xlsx](#)

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From: [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Re: ASLM tracker & BOEM strategy docs
Date: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 3:33:26 PM
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Makes a ton of sense, happy to do that.

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Lets **(b) (5)** . What do you think?

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To: [AK ORD, BOEM](#)
Subject: FW: OSR Weekly Report Preview - Remaining Lease Sales
Date: Friday, June 10, 2022 2:36:39 PM
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From: Randall, Sharon A <Sharon.Randall@boem.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:19 AM
To: Kendall, James J. <James.Kendall@boem.gov>
Subject: FW: OSR Weekly Report Preview - Remaining Lease Sales

Not sure why AK wasn't included in OSR's email below, but incase it is of interest.

Sharon Randall

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From: Rowe, Casey J <[Casey.Rowe@boem.gov](#)>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2022 6:28 AM
To: Randall, Sharon A <[Sharon.Randall@boem.gov](#)>
Cc: Mann, Frances E <[frances.mann@boem.gov](#)>
Subject: FW: OSR Weekly Report Preview - Remaining Lease Sales

See highlighted date in below email train. EIS has to be at EPA by April 8, which is a week earlier than publish date. The April 15 date is a week later than EIS has to be completed.

From: Boudreaux, Perry J <[Perry.Boudreaux@boem.gov](#)>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2022 7:51 AM
To: Rowe, Casey J <[Casey.Rowe@boem.gov](#)>
Subject: FW: OSR Weekly Report Preview - Remaining Lease Sales

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Subject: Fw: OSR Weekly Report Preview - Remaining Lease Sales

Not sure what will be in the Dir report but this is what OSR was suggesting.
Pretty much what I said with a little more information on 258.

*Thanks,
Arie*

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From: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 4:23 PM

To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>

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Leasing Policy and Management Division (Justin Miller, Acting)

Update: Oil and Gas Lease Sales

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Thank you,

Megan Carr, PhD, CPG

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From: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>
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Subject: Fw: OSR Weekly Report Preview - Remaining Lease Sales

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Local Business Owner Concerns re: Lease Sale 258
Date: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:31:30 PM

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Secretary Deb Haaland
(via Rachael Taylor, Chief of Staff DOI: rachael_taylor@ios.doi.gov)
U.S. Department of the Interior
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RE: SERIOUS CONCERNS THAT LEASE SALE 258 WILL NEGATIVELY IMPACT OUR BUSINESSES

Dear Secretary Haaland:

We are small business owners in Lower Cook Inlet, Alaska, and we are writing about the proposed million-acre Oil & Gas Lease Sale 258. We have a vision for our home, and it does not include the pipelines, platforms and pollution heavy industry would bring.

Lower Cook Inlet is a spectacular region that attracts millions of visitors each year to fish, hunt, hike, camp, watch wildlife or just take-in the incredible natural beauty. The region is surrounded by a world-class constellation of public lands - including Lake Clark National Park & Preserve, Katmai National Park & Preserve, the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge, the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, Kachemak Bay State Park & Wilderness Park and McNeil River State Game Sanctuary & Refuge.

There's no place in the nation where people can find such an amazing array of state and federal protected areas, and these intact resources play a vital role supporting our local businesses, our families and our communities. The specter of oil platforms, pipelines and heavy industry in Lower Cook Inlet would deter tourists from coming to Cook Inlet and spending money in our community.

The people and the environment of Lower Cook Inlet suffered heavily from the devastation wrought by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill in 1989, and some resources have still not recovered. Yet the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Lease Sale 258 predicts a 1 in 5 chance of one or more large oil spills. That's one reason why more than 93,000 comments poured into BOEM for this proposal, and why 99.98% of the people commenting oppose the expansion of oil and gas development into Lower Cook Inlet.

In the 1970's, the State of Alaska leased the adjacent waters of Kachemak Bay for oil and gas development. But local fishermen and businesses had a different vision for this remarkable region, and pressed the state to buy back the leases. Today, Kachemak Bay supports thriving economies around tourism and sport and commercial fishing, and none of this would have been possible if Kachemak Bay had been turned over to pipelines, platforms and pollution.

Like so many small businesses across the country, our businesses in Cook Inlet have faced significant challenges from COVID. Please do not add further stress to our livelihoods by proceeding with Lease Sale 258 while we are

still recovering from an ongoing global pandemic.

We know President Biden promised to stop offshore oil and gas leasing, and campaigned on the importance of small businesses and a strong economic recovery from COVID. We hope the Administration will honor these promises and protect our business from the threat of new oil and gas development in Lower Cook Inlet.

Sincerely,

Mako Haggerty, Mako's Water Taxi, Homer, AK

Cynthia Mom, Seldovia Nature Tours LLC, Seldovia, AK

Suvi Bayly, Homer Spit Oyster Bar, Homer, AK

Melvyn Strydom, MSA, Inc., Homer, AK

- - The fossil fuel industry is on the wane and to allow this lease sale would pose a very serious risk to the renewable and vital industries of fishing and tourism. This lease sale is a serious threat to the long-term viability of those industries and all the small businesses that depend on them.

Claire Waxman, Homer Saw & Cycle LLC., Homer, AK

- - Keeping the water clean in the cook inlet is imperative to the future of the area. The sustainable economics of keeping oil out of this region is easy to see. Fossil fuels are a thing of the past, the future is clean, more sustainable use of the land and water forever.

Don Stead, Grace Ridge Brewing, Homer, AK

Barbara Scalzi, North Wind, Homer, AK

Ben Martin, Fringe Benefit Charters, Homer, AK

- - As a small Business owner in Homer Alaska I am deeply concerned about the potential development of offshore oil resources in Lower Cook Inlet. I have fished these waters for over 20 years. Guiding sportsmen to productive Halibut fishing grounds in the same area proposed for drilling. I do not think the sight of an oil rig in Lower Cook Inlet would be welcome to my clients or my fellow Homer residents. Please consider my opposition to further Cook Inlet Oil and Gas development.

David Bachrach, AK Adventures, Inc., Homer, AK

- - Homer is a popular tourist destination and Gateway Community for both Lake Clark and Katmai National Parks. Lower Cook Inlet oil and gas development is not compatible with the values of the community and culture of Homer.

Eric lehm, Maverick Charters, Homer, AK

Gary Ault, Inlet Charters Across Alaska Adventures, Homer, AK

- - Stop the Oil and Gas lease sale!

Beluga Air, Homer, AK

- - Our economy thrives on stewardship of the resources, please help keep this area of the state beautiful and pristine. Visitors come from all over the world to experience WILD Alaska!

Alison O'Hara, True North Kayak Adventures, Homer, AK

- - Thanks for your consideration!

Katherine Brennan, North Country Charters & North Country Marine Services, Homer, AK

- - The economy of Homer and surrounding areas rely heavily on Tourism and long-term sustainable fishing practices. The Oil & Gas Lease Sale 258 is NOT in the best interest of residents and local business owners. To move forward with this lease would be both devastating and disrespectful to the people who call Kachemak Bay and Cook Inlet home as it jeopardizes the social and economic needs of local fishery-dependent communities.

Billy Hayden, Maverick and Silver Fox Charters, Homer, AK

- - Oil drilling in this part of Cook Inlet will greatly impact our local fishing fleet in a negative way. This is right in the middle of commercial, charter and recreational fishing grounds. This area is a highway for halibut and salmon migrating up the inlet. We depend on this fishery for our livelihood as professional fishermen. Also, people do not visit Homer, Alaska to see oil rigs blocking the pristine wilderness they come to vacation in.

Kathryn Ault, Whistler LLC, Homer, AK

- - I have been a Homer, AK resident for 32 years and a second-generation halibut fishing guide who fish primarily in these areas where the proposed rigs may land. There are both private and charter fishermen and women who make a living in those waters. Please, please don't let those rigs kill our fish and livelihood. These areas cannot have oil wells on them; they are feeding areas for marine mammals and almost all the fish species in Alaska. Don't let the oil company turn the Cook Inlet into that Gulf of Mexico.

Cory DeCook, Bob's Trophy Charters, Homer, AK

- - I am a charter fisherman from Homer, AK and I believe that oil platforms in Lower Cook Inlet is a terrible proposition. This area needs to be protected from these polluting atrocities. I know without a doubt in my mind that the environment all around the Lower Cook Inlet will suffer. It is not worth destroying such a beautiful place just so some greedy mega corporation can line their pockets. Please take into consideration the economic impacts to tourism and local businesses.

Sue Post, Lee Post, Jenny Stroyeck, Homer Bookstore, Inc, Homer, AK

- - This is too big of a risk and putting too much of our livelihood here in Homer, Alaska at stake. We have thousands of tourists come for the clean water to fish in, to play in, to bird and whale watch in. Please do not open this area to Lease Sales.

Andre Lovett, Central Charters, Homer, AK

- - Having oil drilling rigs in Lower Cook Inlet could have a catastrophic effect on all the fishing industries out of Homer and in the 3A region. Even if everything goes perfectly and there are no spills just the presence of these proposed rigs would be right in the middle of very popular fishing grounds for charter businesses and sport fisherman. I am strongly against this.

Kristi McLean, Between Beaches, Seldovia, AK

Josh Wickboldt, Big Butt Charters, Homer, AK

Derek Reynolds, Cycle Logical, Homer, AK

Willow King, Where It's At, Soldotna, AK

Carri Thurman, Two Sisters Bakery, Homer, AK

David Coray, Silver Salmon Creek Lodge, Soldotna, AK

- - There are a cluster of eco-tour related lodges and businesses along Lake Clark National Park's coastline that depend on clean water and unobstructed views in their efforts to provide quality outdoor services. Lower Cook Inlet lease sales would be incompatible with the dependency these businesses have on marine life and wilderness values.

Karl Stoltzfus, Bay Excursions LLC., Homer, AK

Jeffery H. Dean, Creative Fires Studio, Inc., Homer, AK

Emily Chalup, Coal Point Seafood Company, Homer, AK

N.J Hillstrand, Pioneer Alaskan Fisheries Inc., Homer, AK

Denise Pitzman, Red Knot Real Estate, Homer, AK

- - Our business, real estate, has not struggled due to COVID-19 but negative impacts to property values from lease

sale 258 are very concerning to us.

Dale L Banks, Loopy Lupine Distribution LLC & LoopEride, Homer, AK

Kirsten Dixon, Within the Wild Adventure Co., Anchorage, AK

- - Please consider the implications of this and how it would destroy a way of life for so many people.

Kaitlin Vadla, Vibrant Alaska, Clam Gulch, AK

Valisa Higman, Valisa Higman Art, Seldovia, AK

Anastasia Scollon, The Goods, Soldotna, AK

Jeremy Flynn, Growing Goodness, LLC., Soldotna, AK

Joseph Spady, Three Peaks Mercantile LLC., Soldotna, AK

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Greg Sutter, Captain Greg's Charters, Homer, AK

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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
Subject: FW: Alaska Vision, Work Priorities, and Workforce Assessment
Date: Thursday, March 24, 2022 9:11:40 AM
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Subject: Alaska Vision, Work Priorities, and Workforce Assessment

Hi Amanda and Walter,

Attached is our BOEM Alaska Strategic Vision, 5-year Work Plan, and Capacity Availability.

We worked to keep it as concise as possible. It is composed of 4 parts:

- Strategic Vision tied to both Departmental and Bureau priorities;
- Alaska Office Current & Potential Work Priorities (Table);
- Organizational Chart based on our new FTE Ceiling; and
- Workforce Assessment identifying Current Work Activities, Potential Capacity, and Work Activities outside of our Region.
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Please feel free to ask for clarifications, more information, etc.

Cheers,

Nina & Fran

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From: [Kendall, James J.](#)
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Cc: [Storzer, Mark A](#); [AK ORD, BOEM](#)
Subject: Phase II - Workforce Assessment/Scenarios/Assumptions
Date: Friday, March 25, 2022 8:58:39 PM

Amanda, Walter:

Thanks for the input on Wednesday. We have reviewed our materials (staffing; org chart; current & pending workload, Alaska Workforce Assessment) and have two estimates depending on how projects come in: A) on a regular or sooner-rather-than-later schedule; or B) if projects come in staggered by a few-to-many months. In the FTE numbers below, consideration of specific disciplines and staffing levels will be essential when making assignments.

Assumptions:

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- Continued promotion of a "One BOEM" culture

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Cheers, & Thanks for your patience,

Jjk & *The Team*

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From: [Coffman, Sarah](#)
To: [Carr, Megan E](#); [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Cruickshank, Walter](#); [Farmer, Isis U](#); [Knodel, Marissa S](#); [Gillette, Connie S](#)
Cc: [Golladay, Jennifer L](#)
Subject: RE: API fact sheet
Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2022 5:22:17 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[2022_3_30 OSR Comments on API Report.docx](#)

I've attached our high-level comments on the API/EIAP report. Please let us know if you'd like more information or have any questions.

Thanks,
Sarah

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From: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 5:08 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Coffman, Sarah <Sarah.Coffman@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>; Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: API fact sheet

We're on it - will do!

Thank you,

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 5:05 PM
To: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>; Coffman, Sarah <Sarah.Coffman@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>; Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: API fact sheet

An email (b) (5) Some high level feedback by COB tomorrow is a good star

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From: Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 1:52:46 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Coffman, Sarah <Sarah.Coffman@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>; Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: API fact sheet

Thank you, Amanda.

We'll work on this (b) (5) Is BOEM/DOI planning to put out a statement that this needs to be prepared for, or do you want a simple email response? When is this needed?

Thank you,

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To: Coffman, Sarah <Sarah.Coffman@boem.gov>; Carr, Megan E <megan.carr@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>; Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>

Subject: API fact sheet

Team-I'm sure that everyone saw this earlier today. (b) (5)



Thanks for your thoughts. We should expect to get asked about this internally (and of course already are externally), so let's get the jump on coming up with a few points in response. Sarah, will you lead? Walter, thoughts welcome.

A

<https://www.api.org/~media/Files/News/2022/03/API-Factsheet-Offshore-Leasing-5-Year%20Program-Report>

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From: [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
To: [Feldgus, Steven H](#)
Cc: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Updated tough Q&A for tomorrow's hearing
Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2022 5:30:44 PM
Attachments: [Talking Points on Federal energy permits & production March 2022.docx](#)

Hey Steve,

Given the release of the President's budget, the API/NOIA report, and other legislative attention to offshore leasing, we took the liberty of adding a couple tough Q&A and suggested talking points for you to review in preparation for your hearing tomorrow. I hope you find them helpful. Don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions!

Peace,

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Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov

From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Daniel-Davis, Laura E](#); [Feldgus, Steven H](#)
Cc: [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
Subject: Fwd: API fact sheet
Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2022 9:20:24 PM
Attachments: [2022_3_30_OSRCCommentsonAPIReport.docx](#)

Laura and Steve

I have not scrubbed this yet, but given Steve's hearing tomorrow sending this to you now. The updates we sent to the Q and A stand, I don't think this changes anything we sent earlier today, but providing this as well

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Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2022 5:22 PM
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From: [Farmer, Isis U](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Cruickshank, Walter](#); [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
Subject: RE: For Review: Due today: Alaska Hot Topics
Date: Thursday, April 7, 2022 7:42:01 PM
Attachments: [BOEM Alaska Hot Topics April2022 Final.docx](#)

All,

I uploaded the document to the DOI SharePoint document. Final version attached. Will share with the Alaska Region as well.

Thanks,
Isis

Isis Farmer

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 7:19 PM
To: Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: Due today: Alaska Hot Topics

Thanks, Isis. Here are my edits

From: Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 6:14 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: For Review: Due today: Alaska Hot Topics

Attached as a word doc.

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>

Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 6:00 PM

To: Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>

Subject: RE: For Review: Due today: Alaska Hot Topics

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From: Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>

Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 5:57 PM

To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>

Subject: Re: For Review: Due today: Alaska Hot Topics

As an update, I added language per Walter' comments and fixed the formatting. I'll add the the DOI shared document once I get the okay.

Thanks,
Isis

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From: Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>

Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 4:49 PM

To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>

Subject: For Review: Due today: Alaska Hot Topics

Hi all,

Alaska completed their updates here: ☐ [BOEM Alaska Hot Topics_April2022.docx](#) but I think (b) (5)

(b) (5)

Thanks,
Isis

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From: Farmer, Isis U

Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 10:46 AM

To: Kendall, James J. <James.Kendall@boem.gov>; Storzer, Mark A <Mark.Storzer@boem.gov>; Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>; Moriarty, Tracey B <Tracey.Moriarty@boem.gov>; Callahan, John T <John.Callahan@boem.gov>

Cc: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>

Subject: Short turnaround Request: Alaska Hot Topics (5-7 bullets Cook Inlet) by 3:30 pm ET today

All,

Apologies for the short notice. We need 5-7 bullet points to send to the Secretary's office in preparation for an upcoming trip to Alaska. We were specifically asked (b) (5) but if there are other items, please provide them in the attached. I will need input by **3:30 pm ET today** to allow time for leadership review, and submission by cob today.

☐ [BOEM Alaska Hot Topics_April2022.docx](#)

Thanks,
Isis

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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Cruikshank, Walter](#)
Subject: FW: please edit when you can
Date: Friday, April 8, 2022 9:55:14 AM
Attachments: [Proposed Program Next Steps.pptx](#)

From: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 8, 2022 9:50 AM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: please edit when you can

I made the most edits to slide two (mainly for flow with a little bit of content), with a few tweaks to slide 3. I did not use track changes.

Peace,

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 7, 2022 9:54 PM
To: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Subject: please edit when you can

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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
Subject: Powerpoint discussed
Date: Friday, April 8, 2022 11:43:28 AM
Attachments: [Proposed Program Next Steps.pptx](#)

Any comments on this? And do you have a dated acreage number to use as a placeholder or do I need to get that from beth?

From: Lefton, Amanda B
Sent: Friday, April 8, 2022 9:55 AM
To: Cruickshank, Walter <walter.cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: FW: please edit when you can

From: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Re: please edit when you can
Date: Friday, April 8, 2022 11:53:45 AM
Attachments: [Proposed Program Next Steps_wdc.pptx](#)

Sorry for the delete response. My laptop has stopped working. I've mashed some comments on slides 2 & 3. Should be attached, but as I'm working from the iPad, I'm never sure.

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To: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: FW: please edit when you can

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From: [Hoskins, Mitchell B](#)
To: [Cruickshank, Walter](#); [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Cc: [Gillette, Connie S](#); [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
Subject: FOR REVIEW: E&MR QFR"s for BOEM
Date: Monday, April 11, 2022 2:02:06 PM
Attachments: [Thank You & QFRs -Feldgus - EMR Ovr Hrg 3.31.22.pdf](#)
[E&MR 3 31 22 DAS Feldgus QFR"s draft responses.docx](#)

Good afternoon Amanda and Walter:

Please find attached draft responses to QFR's received by DOI after DAS Feldgus' testimony before the House E&MR subcommittee on March 31, 2022.

These two responses were edited and cleared by Marissa. Our reply is due to OCL by COB Thursday, 14 April.

V/r
Mitch

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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Knodel, Marissa S](#); [Hoskins, Mitchell B](#)
Cc: [Gillette, Connie S](#); [Cruickshank, Walter](#); [Farmer, Isis U](#)
Subject: Re: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.
Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2022 9:35:38 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)

Thank you, Marissa. I appreciate you taking this on and your quick work

From: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2022 4:03:27 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Hoskins, Mitchell B <mitchell.hoskins@boem.gov>
Cc: Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.

Hello everyone,

The issue papers have been edited and Amanda's comments resolved. I plan to share this folder for ASLM review. Note that (b) (5)

Peace,

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From: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2022 1:40 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>; Hoskins, Mitchell B <mitchell.hoskins@boem.gov>
Cc: Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>; Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Farmer, Isis U <Isis.Farmer@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.

Hey all,

With Mitch out and given the urgency to get these through ASLM before submitting to OCL, I'll

take charge of resolving edits and comments.

Peace,

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Subject: RE: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.

My comments are in. There are a fair amount of them. We need to (b) (5)

Thanks

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From: Hoskins, Mitchell B <mitchell.hoskins@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2022 10:26 AM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.

(b) (5) Rob Howarth is out today so I'm reaching out to Katy Grigonis.

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2022 10:14
To: Hoskins, Mitchell B <mitchell.hoskins@boem.gov>
Cc: Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.

Thanks. Please use ODM for these in the future. (b) (5)

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Sent: Monday, April 11, 2022 9:54 AM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.

Yes they have. The documents for review are clean, but have incorporated their comments and edits.

A major issue facing us is that OCL only wants these issue papers to be one-page in length, however we did play with that somewhat depending on the importance of the topic being addressed.

If OCL wants to make cuts for brevity, I'll be working with Rob Howarth and clearing with you and Walter.

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2022 09:51
To: Hoskins, Mitchell B <mitchell.hoskins@boem.gov>
Cc: Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.

Thanks. Before I dive in, have Walter and Marissa's edits been addressed?

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Sent: Monday, April 11, 2022 9:40 AM
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Cc: Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Subject: Fw: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.

Good morning Amanda, re-sending!

Mitch Hoskins

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From: Hoskins, Mitchell B

Sent: Wednesday, April 6, 2022 14:50

To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>

Subject: Hoskins, Mitchell B shared the folder "Issue Papers" with you.



Hoskins, Mitchell B shared a folder with you

Good afternoon Amanda, the shared issue papers have been reviewed by the subject matter experts, Marissa, Connie, Tracey, Sarah M, and Walter. OCL requests these documents by COB Thursday, 7 April. Each DOI Bureau is limited to 5 issue papers of one page each, although for a few we went over due to importance of the subject matter.



Issue Papers



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From: [Abler, Eugene \(Mike\)](#)
To: [Santini, Kylie E](#)
Cc: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Cruikshank, Walter](#); [Macdonald, Cara Lee](#); [Farmer, Isis U](#); [Sanchez, Alexandra L](#); [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
Subject: Fw: HOT HOT HOT: Secretarial Hearing Q&As DUE COB TODAY TO POB
Date: Thursday, April 14, 2022 4:29:17 PM
Attachments: [FY2023 Secretarial Hearing QAs BOEM_clean sf ldd.docx](#)

Good afternoon, Kylie,

Attached cleared by Ms. Daniel-Davis for POB.

All the best/
mike

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Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2022 16:23
To: Abler, Eugene (Mike) <Eugene.Abler@boem.gov>
Subject: FW: HOT HOT HOT: Secretarial Hearing Q&As DUE COB TODAY TO POB

Can you get this back to BOEM?

From: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2022 4:13 PM
To: Feldgus, Steven H <steve_feldgus@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>; Sanchez, Alexandra L <alexandra_sanchez@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: HOT HOT HOT: Secretarial Hearing Q&As DUE COB TODAY TO POB

Mine overlaid on Steve's

Laura Daniel-Davis
she/her
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Land and Minerals Management

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From: Feldgus, Steven H <steve_feldgus@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2022 3:21 PM
To: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>; Sanchez, Alexandra L <alexandra_sanchez@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: HOT HOT HOT: Secretarial Hearing Q&As DUE COB TODAY TO POB

Edits to a couple of questions from me.

From: Abler, Eugene (Mike) <Eugene.Abler@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2022 2:03 PM
To: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>; Feldgus, Steven H <steve_feldgus@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>; Sanchez, Alexandra L <alexandra_sanchez@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: HOT HOT HOT: Secretarial Hearing Q&As DUE COB TODAY TO POB

Happy Thursday afternoon, Ms. Daniel-Davis and Mr. Feldgus,

Cara Lee asked that I forward the below email to you.

POB requested bureau Q&As by COB today to help prepare the Secretary for her upcoming testimony before the House appropriations subcommittee on the interior, environment, and related agencies.

BOEM has been instructed that it may not send the attached document forward until you have cleared it.

Thanks!

All the best/

mike

--

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Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2022 13:32

To: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>; Abler, Eugene (Mike) <Eugene.Abler@boem.gov>

Cc: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>; Yang, Annie <Annie.Yang@boem.gov>; Garcia, Joseph A <joseph.garcia@boem.gov>

Subject: Secretarial Hearing Q&As

Good afternoon!

In preparation for the April 28th Secretarial hearing with the House Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations subcommittee, POB sent a series of questions and requested input by COB today. BOEM's responses to the questions are attached for your information. BOEM is planning to submit the responses to POB today. Please let me know if you would like additional time to review the attached document, otherwise the responses will be submitted at the end of the day.

Thank you,
Kylie

Kylie Santini
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Sent: Friday, April 8, 2022 3:57 PM

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Thank you,
Niall

Niall O'Connor

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From: [Sanchez, Alexandra L](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Knodel, Marissa S](#); [Daniel-Davis, Laura E](#)
Subject: FW: HOT HOT HOT: Secretarial Hearing Q&As DUE COB TODAY TO POB
Date: Monday, April 18, 2022 2:16:52 PM
Attachments: [FY2023 Secretarial Hearing QAs BOEM_clean sf ldd.docx](#)

Is this it? Sorry I missed!!

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Mine overlaid on Steve's

Laura Daniel-Davis

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Edits to a couple of questions from me.

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Happy Thursday afternoon, Ms. Daniel-Davis and Mr. Feldgus,

Cara Lee asked that I forward the below email to you.

POB requested bureau Q&As by COB today to help prepare the Secretary for her upcoming

testimony before the House appropriations subcommittee on the interior, environment, and related agencies.

BOEM has been instructed that it may not send the attached document forward until you have cleared it.

Thanks!

All the best/
mike

--

E. Michael Abler

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Good afternoon!

In preparation for the April 28th Secretarial hearing with the House Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations subcommittee, POB sent a series of questions and requested input by COB today. BOEM's responses to the questions are attached for your information.

BOEM is planning to submit the responses to POB today. Please let me know if you would like additional time to review the attached document, otherwise the responses will be submitted at the end of the day.

Thank you,
Kylie

Kylie Santini
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To: [Robbins, Laura A](#); [Celata, Michael](#)
Cc: [Lyncker, Lissa A](#)
Subject: Re: OCS Advisory
Date: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 3:00:44 PM
Attachments: [Haaland says Interior has no immediate plans for offshore oil lease sale - POLITICO PRO.pdf](#)

Here' the PDF version.

John Filostrat
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From: Robbins, Laura A <laura.robbs@boem.gov>
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To: Celata, Michael <Michael.Celata@boem.gov>
Cc: Filostrat, John <John.Filostrat@boem.gov>; Lyncker, Lissa A <Lissa.Lyncker@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: OCS Advisory

Mike,
Thank you for the information. I heard the Secretary make all of those comments in her presentation (b) (5)

We'll talk tomorrow,
Laura

From: Celata, Michael <Michael.Celata@boem.gov>
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Subject: OCS Advisory

Laura,

Use the attached statements from the Secretary to answer questions on the 5 year and lease sales 259 and 261 under the current program which expires at the end of June. For 257, (b) (5)
John probably has mor talking points you should read before you go. We should talk tomorrow morning before you leave.

Mike

From: [Alonso, Carlos](#)
To: [Wilson, Matthew MGW](#); [Maclay, Donald DMM](#); [Celata, Michael](#); [Burgess, Grant](#); [De Cort, Thierry M](#); [Guidry, Angela](#)
Subject: Rystad
Date: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 3:58:56 PM
Attachments: [Rystad Energy Commentary - 3573702 - ShaleWellCube GOM Integration.pdf](#)
[248363 - US Gulf of Mexico Regional Trends Report – February 2022.pdf](#)

All,

Here are 2 recent Rystad article pertaining to the GOM.

Thanks,

Carlos

From: [Daniel-Davis, Laura E](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Statement
Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 6:50:41 PM

Going to first outlet in 30. Will you call Gov bel Edwards now? And tell your people at 7:20 when Melissa is hitting send? We don't have any updates today on next 5-year plan.

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Subject: Re: Statement
Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 8:11:02 PM

Thanks.

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Got it. Thank you.

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Thank you, Mark.

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Subject: RE: Statement

Hi Amanda – I gave the Alaska Governor's Office a courtesy call (had to leave a message) and spoke with AK DNR Commissioner's Office to give them a heads up. They appreciated the courtesy call and were going to pass the information along.

I also let the Alaska BOEM team know so we should be good on this end.

Have a good evening!

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To: [Wallace, Andrew G](#); [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Re: 258 Q
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022 8:29:51 AM

Drew,
Amanda will get something to you asap this morning.
Laura

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Cc: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: 258 Q

Murkowski staff asking for explanation of our statement re lack of industry interest. Are there some points you can share w me? Tomorrow is fine

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From: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Re: Recent history of OCS oil & gas leasing in the Cook Inlet
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022 9:24:07 AM

BOEM published a Call for Information for Sale 258 in the *Federal Register* on September 10, 2020. We did not receive any nominations or indications of industry interest in response to the Call.

From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 9:08 AM
To: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Recent history of OCS oil & gas leasing in the Cook Inlet

Thank you. And confirming that we did not receive industry interest at the RFI and DEIS stage for 258? Did we do a call or an RFI in this instance

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Subject: Recent history of OCS oil & gas leasing in the Cook Inlet

Following Lease Sale 191 in Alaska's Cook Inlet (May 2004), in which no bids were received, the Department gave greater weight to expressions of industry interest during the individual sale planning process in deciding whether to hold lease sales in the Cook Inlet.

- **Sale 199:** On December 27, 2004, the agency announced the publication in the Federal Register of a Request for Information (RFI) and a Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare and Environmental Assessment for Cook Inlet Oil and Gas Lease Sale 199. No industry input was received in response to the RFI and Lease Sale 199 was delayed from 2006 to 2007.
On December 6, 2006, the agency published in the Federal Register a follow-up Request for Information. No industry interest was received in response to this RFI and Lease Sale 199 was cancelled in February 2007.
- In the subsequent National OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program (2007-2012), the Secretary decided to include the Cook Inlet Planning Area on the schedule as a "special interest sale." If industry interest reflected in comments on a call for information did not support consideration of a sale, the sale would be postponed. A request for nominations and comments would be issued again the following year, and so on through the 5-year schedule, until a sale was held or the schedule expired.
- **Sale 211:** On October 27, 2008, based on response to the Request for Information issued in July 2008, Sale 211 was deferred a year. Subsequently, it was decided for

administrative purposes that Sale 211 should be canceled, and a new Cook Inlet sale scheduled. This new sale was scheduled as Cook Inlet Oil and Gas Lease Sale 219.

- **Sale 219:** On March 2, 2011, Sale 219 was cancelled due to lack of industry interest.
- **Sale 244:** Sale 244 was held on June 21, 2017; 14 leases were awarded.
- **Sale 258:** Sale 258 was cancelled in May 2022 due to lack of industry interest.

From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Carr, Megan E](#)
Cc: [Cruickshank, Walter](#); [Ezell, Troy L](#)
Subject: RE: Statement
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022 9:49:10 AM

We are in good shape, thank you

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Subject: RE: Statement

Thank you, Amanda. Please let us know how we can (b) (5)

Thank you,

Megan Carr, PhD, CPG

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Subject: RE: Statement

Megan

Thank you for your email. (b) (5)

Further, Melissa's statement signaled (b) (5)

Thanks very much

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Subject: RE: Statement

Good morning,

I wanted to follow up to see if (b) (5) From
OSR perspective, we do not think (b) (5)

Please let us know and if needed, we will get started.

Thank you,

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I am fine with all of this being shared if Amanda is. Presume we could send links to process announcements or add additional bullet points.

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OK to provide this info to AK Senators (and SENR majority) staff, or does it need a scrub?

They followed up with a Q about when the scoping period was open for comments and when the DEIS was open for comments

I don't know maybe there are public links to those spots where people could view the comments (or lack thereof)?

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BOEM published a Call for Information for Sale 258 in the *Federal Register* on September 10, 2020. We did not receive any nominations or indications of industry interest in response to the Call. Further, there was no expressed interest from oil and gas companies directly in the EIS. We did, however, receive comments from associations. Canceling this lease sale with consideration to the lack of industry interest is consistent with BOEM's practice. Following Lease Sale 191 in Alaska's Cook Inlet (May 2004), in which no bids were received, the Department gave greater weight to expressions of industry interest during the individual sale planning process in deciding whether to hold lease sales in the Cook Inlet.

- **Sale 199:** On December 27, 2004, the agency announced the publication in the Federal Register of a Request for Information (RFI) and a Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare and Environmental Assessment for Cook Inlet Oil and Gas Lease Sale 199. No industry input was received in response to the RFI and Lease Sale 199 was delayed from 2006 to 2007.
On December 6, 2006, the agency published in the Federal Register a follow-up Request

for Information. No industry interest was received in response to this RFI and Lease Sale 199 was cancelled in February 2007.

- In the subsequent National OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program (2007-2012), the Secretary decided to include the Cook Inlet Planning Area on the schedule as a "special interest sale." If industry interest reflected in comments on a call for information did not support consideration of a sale, the sale would be postponed. A request for nominations and comments would be issued again the following year, and so on through the 5-year schedule, until a sale was held or the schedule expired.
- **Sale 211:** On October 27, 2008, based on response to the Request for Information issued in July 2008, Sale 211 was deferred a year. Subsequently, it was decided for administrative purposes that Sale 211 should be canceled, and a new Cook Inlet sale scheduled. This new sale was scheduled as Cook Inlet Oil and Gas Lease Sale 219.
- **Sale 219:** On March 2, 2011, Sale 219 was cancelled due to lack of industry interest.
- **Sale 244:** Sale 244 was held on June 21, 2017; 14 leases were awarded.
- **Sale 258:** Sale 258 was cancelled in May 2022 due to lack of industry interest.

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Subject: 258 Q

Murkowski staff asking for explanation of our statement re lack of industry interest. Are there some points you can share w me? Tomorrow is fine

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1. Biden Administration Cancels Oil And Gas Lease Sales In Alaska, Gulf Of Mexico

Zack Budryk | The Hill | May 11, 2022

[Biden Administration Cancels Oil And Gas Lease Sales In Alaska, Gulf Of Mexico | The Hill](#)

The Interior Department will not move forward with planned oil and gas lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico and Alaska's Cook Inlet, it announced Wednesday night.

A spokesperson for the department confirmed the Cook Inlet lease sale would not proceed due to insufficient industry interest. Meanwhile, the planned sale of two leases, lease 259 and lease 261, in the Gulf of Mexico will not proceed due to contradictory court rulings on the leases, the spokesperson confirmed.

Shortly after taking office, President [Biden](#) signed an executive order freezing all new oil and gas leasing on federal lands. Last summer, Judge James Cain, a Trump appointee, struck down the ruling, prompting the Biden administration to appeal.

Meanwhile, in January, the Washington, D.C., District Court invalidated another Gulf of Mexico lease sold by the federal government, lease 257. The administration is not appealing the January ruling, although it affects a separate lease from the ones named by the Interior spokesperson.

The Alaska lease would have covered more than 1 million acres. The federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management previously canceled lease sales in the area in 2006, 2008 and 2010, also citing lack of interest from industry at the time.

Under federal law, the Interior Department is required to adhere to a five-year offshore leasing plan, which was set to end at the end of June in the case of the affected leases.

The announcement comes at a time when the president's approvals have plunged on economic issues in particular, and congressional Republicans have blasted the administration's energy policies after average nationwide gas prices reached an all-time high earlier this week.

However, much of the surge has been due to factors outside the administration's control, such as the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

2. Average National Gas Prices Hit New All-Time High

Zack Budryk | The Hill | May 10, 2022

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The national average for gas prices hit a new record Tuesday at \$4.37, without accounting for inflation, according to AAA data.

The new milestone comes two months after the national average surpassed \$4 for the first time in 14 years, and the average has not dipped below that price point in the meantime.

While average prices are below \$4 in several individual states, no single state has lower average prices than \$3.90, according to AAA. Adjusted for inflation, the prices still remain below the 2008 peak, when the peak was equivalent to \$5.37 a gallon in 2022 dollars.

Prices are highest in California, where gas is at \$5.84 a gallon. A number of factors make Golden State's gas prices higher than those of other states, including the lack of interstate fuel pipelines and an unexplained surcharge that has appeared on consumers' bills in recent years.

While prices have been on the rise for months, the spikes in gas prices have been exacerbated by the global instability associated with the Russian invasion of Ukraine. The U.S. and other Western nations have taken a number of steps to sanction Russian oil, and most recently the European Union proposed a full ban on Russian oil imports after resisting for months due to its reliance on Russian energy.

Gas prices fluctuate due to numerous factors outside the government's control, but the Biden administration has taken several steps seeking to provide consumer relief, including the largest-ever release from the country's Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

The Environmental Protection Agency has also issued a waiver to allow the sale of ethanol-heavy fuels that are typically restricted during the summer, but those blends are only sold at just more than 200 stations nationwide.

3. 2nd Interior Lease Sale Boosts N.C. Offshore Wind

Heather Richards & Kristi E. Swartz | E&E News | May 12, 2022

[2nd Interior Lease Sale Boosts N.C. Offshore Wind - E&E News \(eenews.net\)](#)

ENERGYWIRE - Developers bet big on the prospect of offshore wind in North Carolina yesterday in an auction that accelerates the momentum of the Biden administration's offshore wind thrust — and proves the industry aims to grow its footprint in the southern Atlantic.

After an all-day bidding war, French oil giant TotalEnergies SE and southern utility Duke Energy Corp. pledged a combined \$315 million for the right to raise turbines in the sea off the state's coast.

The two lease areas sold yesterday by the Interior Department could support an estimated 1.3 gigawatts of wind power between them and total 110,000 acres in federal waters roughly 20 miles south of North Carolina's Bald Head Island. That's enough to potentially power a half-million homes ([Energywire](#), March 25).

The sale is part of the Biden administration's push to raise hundreds of offshore wind turbines — 30 gigawatts of clean energy — on the outer continental shelf by 2030. Offshore wind is a critical lever in the White House's larger climate ambitions, to decarbonize the nation's grid by 2035 and zero out emissions economywide by midcentury.

But the robust sale that closed after 17 rounds of bidding was widely seen also as a success for the industry's regional prospects and the sector's growing potential footprint in the U.S. energy mix.

"We're seeing the maturation of the market and an optimistic outlook for offshore wind in areas beyond our Northeastern states," said Erik Milito, president of the National Ocean Industries Association, in a statement. "A stronger supply chain, with new jobs and investments, will stretch through the Carolinas and communities throughout our nation."

The auction reflects a growing appetite for offshore wind leases during the pro-wind Biden era, revealed first by the blockbuster \$4.4 billion sale of leases off the New York and New Jersey coast earlier this year.

The North Carolina sale was not expected to reach the New York heights due to its smaller market. But the results still beat out the state's first offshore wind [sale](#) in 2017 when 122,000 acres near the border with Virginia, garnered just under \$9 million.

Aaron Barr, global head of onshore wind at Wood Mackenzie, said the Biden administration's support gets some credit for the momentum. It adds to investor's confidence in offshore wind and that translates to investments, he said.

"There are clear ramifications of who's in charge of the administration, and how these projects work and how quickly they can get permitted and approved," he said. "And that that pace has everything to do with business certainty."

But yesterday's action also solidifies offshore wind as a likely part of North Carolina's path to decarbonize. North Carolina has a clean energy mandate, passed just last year, expected to propel offshore wind forward, though the state has not named the industry specifically for a carve-out in its decarbonized future ([Energywire](#), April 13).

Duke Energy, the electric monopoly for North Carolina, has also been coy on how much offshore wind power it plans to deploy to meet its clean energy goals. With its winning bid yesterday, Duke made an "educated bet" on offshore wind, said Paul Patterson, a utility analyst with Glenrock Associates LLC.

“I would say it’s a preliminary position,” he said. “If things turn out in a way that they want to go for offshore wind, the company is in a great position to exploit that opportunity.”

Duke plays ball

Duke’s winning bid galvanized offshore wind supporters yesterday, but the utility still faces hurdles if it wants to deploy offshore wind — and pass the cost of development on to its ratepayers.

That dynamic explains the utility’s caution when committing to offshore wind as one of its future generation sources.

Katharine Kollins, president of the Southeastern Wind Coalition, said it was a good thing the bidding war yesterday didn’t replicate the billion-dollar heights evidenced in New York. This is because customers eventually pay, she said.

“I don’t think we want to find ourselves in the same situation of wondering how ratepayers are going to handle those costs,” she said. “From that perspective, it’s certainly a good thing.”

But Duke’s participation, while expected, is a welcome sign for the industry, she said.

“Duke at the table is fantastic,” she said.

The sale comes just days before Duke is required to file a plan with state utility regulators on how it will cut its carbon emissions 70 percent by 2030 from 2005 levels. According to state law, Duke would be given more time to reach that target if it decided to use offshore wind.

This is because the industry is still maturing in the U.S.

Duke CEO Lynn Good told Wall Street analysts on Monday that her company will present several options to the North Carolina Utilities Commission next Monday. Solar, batteries and energy efficiency would be a part of every plan, and offshore wind “will be presented for consideration,” she said.

Duke has stressed that next Monday’s filing is just the next step in the process.

Staff at the state utilities commission have been keenly interested in Duke taking advantage of offshore wind as soon as possible. But the law orders a “least cost” approach to reach the state’s carbon reduction goals, which could make offshore wind questionable.

“Securing this lease creates optionality for future offshore wind if the North Carolina Utilities Commission determines it’s part of the least cost path to achieve 70 percent carbon reduction by 2030 and net-zero by 2050,” said Stephen De May, Duke Energy’s North Carolina president, in a news release.

If regulators greenlight offshore wind, Duke could start site assessment and characterization in the lease area next year. That would keep the company on target for a potential in-service project in the 2030-2032 time frame, according to the news release.

The team also will develop a detailed proposal for how Duke will study the project area to better understand the wind energy resource and potential impacts. BOEM must approve that plan as well as a construction and operation plan.

Duke also said it must secure other federal and state regulatory approvals before it can start construction.

A French company in U.S. waters

Yesterday’s sale greatly expands the U.S. renewables interest of TotalEnergies, one of the remaining seven supermajor global oil companies in the 20th century, who’s flagged wind as part of its future.

The Courbevoie, France-based firm made a “grand entrance” to the U.S. offshore wind market earlier this year when it was a winning bidder in the New York sale, paying \$795 million for a lease in a joint bid with the German energy company EnBW.

The company, which is also developing onshore solar in the U.S., has a target to hold 100 gigawatts of renewable energy generation capacity globally by 2030.

“We aim to be a world leader by leveraging our offshore expertise,” said Patrick Pouyanné, chair and CEO of TotalEnergies, at the time.

TotalEnergies isn’t unique in this renewables pivot. It’s one of several oil majors that have made their intention to jump into the offshore wind market clear. But their interest in North Carolina “in many ways, a less favorable market, really demonstrates they’re serious about offshore wind,” said Barr at Wood Mackenzie.

Several other oil majors may have participated in the sale yesterday. The list of bidders is not made public. But more than a dozen companies prequalified to participate in the sale representing a Venn diagram of electric utilities, Big Oil and big wind, such as Denmark’s Ørsted A/S, BP U.S. Offshore Wind Energy, EDF Renewables, Shell New Energies, Invenergy Long Bay Offshore LLC and Avangrid Renewables.

North Carolina’s outlook

With the sale, North Carolina is primed to reach its interim climate goals, and offshore wind targets called for by Gov. Roy Cooper (D). But the sale could be the last of its kind for a long time.

The auction arrived just weeks before a 10-year moratorium begins on new leasing for the southern Atlantic, a ban that the Trump administration ordered shortly before leaving office.

With interest in expanding the offshore wind industry rapidly, North Carolina leaders and pro-climate lawmakers in Washington have tried to remove that ban by congressional action but failed to do so.

Yesterday, 38 lawmakers signed a letter to congressional leadership urging them to retain a provision nixing the moratorium in the ongoing conference negotiations over the Senate's, [S. 1260](#), the "U.S. Innovation and Competition Act," and the [House's H.R. 4521](#), the "America COMPETES Act."

"This offshore wind moratorium imperils a critical new wave of offshore wind energy development, threatens tens of thousands of high-quality jobs in a globally competitive industry, and wastes billions of dollars of investments planned or already in-progress for offshore wind projects," the [letter](#) states.

Signers include Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D) and New York Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D), as well as the Democrats of the North Carolina delegation: Reps. G.K. Butterfield, Deborah Ross, David Price, Kathy Manning and Alma Adams.

Milito of NOIA said the looming moratorium could "undercut substantial offshore wind momentum," warning that "the high-level of interest in the lease areas underscores demand for additional future wind lease opportunities."

The potential of turbines off the coast of North Carolina hasn't been without controversy. Fishermen have raised concerns about how the offshore wind industry will affect fishing grounds, and beach towns have been worried about visual impacts.

Prior to the sale, BOEM slashed thousands of acres proposed for auction, cutting anything within 20 miles of the shoreline to reduce the risk of viewshed impacts. The agency has also included stipulations for developers in the two lease areas, which lie adjacent, to coordinate on at least two common lanes for navigation purposes. If they can't come to an agreement, they must respect a 1-nautical-mile buffer along the shared lease boundary, where no structures can be placed.

The leases also call on developers to make reasonable efforts to use labor agreements with the workers that build their wind arrays, and an additional stipulation requires developers to demonstrate efforts to grow the offshore wind supply chain.

Political support for offshore wind in North Carolina is due in no small part to the opportunity for manufacturing and other supply-chain-related economic activity.

The incentives in the North Carolina sale, a first for the market, have pleased pro-business organizations like the Business Network for Offshore Wind who are hoping the industry's momentum continues to pick up speed.

"With global demand for offshore wind soaring, the U.S. must seize this once-in-a-generation opportunity and develop a robust domestic supply chain to secure our energy future," said CEO Liz Burdock in a statement that also praised the incentives tacked onto the leases. "[The] lease sale continues the momentum toward a sustainable U.S. offshore wind market, opening the door further to North Carolina's rich manufacturing sector."

4. Carolina Long Bay Offshore Wind Lease Auction Results Send Mixed Signals

Phillip Lewis | Offshore Engineer | May 12, 2022

[Carolina Long Bay Offshore Wind Lease Auction \(oedigital.com\)](#)

On Wednesday, French oil & gas major TotalEnergies and U.S. utility Duke Energy were declared provisional winners of the two lease areas auctioned by BOEM, the federal agency in charge of offshore wind area leasing and project permitting.

Whilst the results can be seen as a positive indicator of the health of U.S. offshore wind market in the context of pre-2022 auction activity, the winning bidders secured development rights at considerably lower rates than those seen in the recent New York Bight auctions.

The comparatively shallow water sites cover 110,091 acres offshore North and South Carolina on the Outer Continental Shelf are estimated to be able to support at least 1.3 GW of offshore wind capacity.

**Provisional Winners
of the CAROLINA
LONG BAY Lease
Areas, \$315M
in High Bids**

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TotalEnergies Renewables USA, LLC
\$160M

OCS-A 0546
Duke Energy Renewables Wind, LLC
\$155M

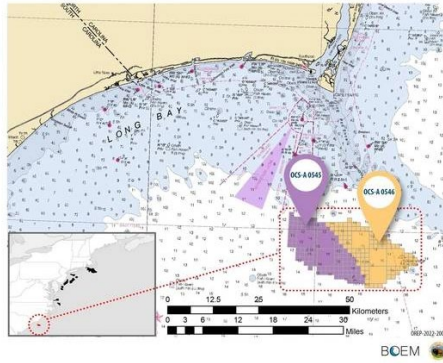


EXHIBIT 1 PROVISIONAL WINNERS OF CAROLINA LONG BAY OFFSHORE WIND LEASES - Source: BOEM

TotalEnergies bid \$160 million and Duke Energy \$155 million. Whilst the average rate paid is close to three times the average paid in the last pre-2022 auction, it is also three times less than the average from this year's New York Bight wind leasing activity. Exhibit 2 maps the prices paid by developers to secure development rights for offshore wind farms to date.

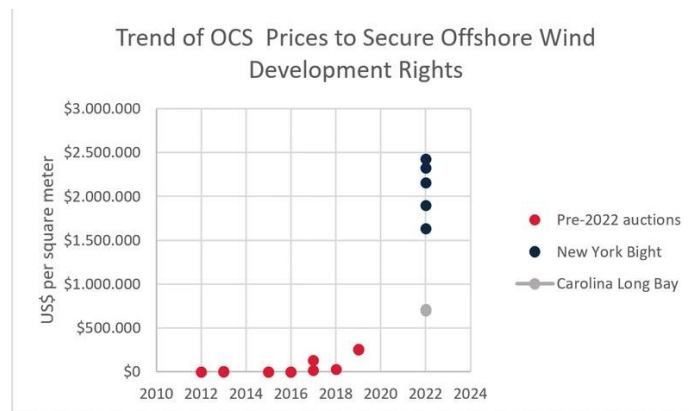


Exhibit 2 - Credit: Intelatus Global Partners

Whilst the New York Bight auction for six lease areas spanned three days and 64 rounds, the Carolina Long Bay auction lasted a day and was concluded after 18 rounds.

Reasons for the difference in interest levels compared to the earlier New York Bight auction include quality of wind resource, size of the retail market, retail electricity prices in the Carolinas, raw material and labor cost inflation, concerns around the cost escalations and state energy commission review of Dominion Energy's offshore wind project in Virginia and a Trump era presidential moratorium impacting offshore wind developments off the South Carolina.

As with the recent New York Bight lease auction, the Carolina Long Bay auction terms include requirements to accommodate potential modifications to the transmission model for electricity produced offshore. The lease terms also include two supply chain requirements. The two winning bidders have committed to developments amounting to \$42 million of investment in domestic supply chain and workforce capability. Meeting these two supply chain commitments can earn a developer a 20% credit on their cash bid.

Carolina Long Bay and all other U.S wind developments are discussed in Intelatus Global Partners' May U.S. Offshore Wind Report. Also in the project section of the report are details for over 60 projects in the planning stage, two projects in construction, and two wind farms currently in service. The report is accompanied by an online database. Information is current as of May 3, 2022.

5. Probe Launched After 32-tonne Slip Joint Drops on Vessel and Into Sea from Deepsea Atlantic Rig

Bartolomej Tomic, Editor | Offshore Engineer | May 11, 2022

[Probe Launched After 32-tonne Slip Joint Drops on \(oedigital.com\)](https://oedigital.com)

The Norwegian offshore oil and gas safety body PSA Norway has launched an investigation into a lifting incident that happened on the Deepsea Atlantic offshore drilling rig on Sunday, May 8.

"While hoisting a 32-tonne [slip joint](#) from a vessel to Deepsea Atlantic, the rig crane broke down, and its wire ran free. The joint dropped to the vessel's deck and then into the sea. The drop height still has to be ascertained. No personal injuries or damage to subsea structures or the vessel have been reported," the PSA said.

The PSA told Offshore Engineer that the vessel, on which the slip joint dropped, before falling into the sea, was the 91 meters-long Stril Mar supply ship,

owned by Simon Møkster Shipping.

As for the Deepsea Atlantic, it is a dual derrick, dynamic-positioned semi-submersible drilling rig of GVA 7500 design, owned by Odfjell Drilling.

The drilling rig is on a contract with the Norwegian oil and gas giant Equinor. According to PSA, the incident occurred on the Statfjord North satellite field in the North Sea, where Equinor is the operator. Info on Odfjell Drilling's website shows that the rig is equipped with NOV KBC deck cranes with a lifting capacity of 100t and 85t.

"The PSA has decided to launch its own investigation of this incident. The main objectives are to identify the causes of the incident and possible lessons to be learnt, and to share this information with the industry," the PSA said.

In conducting its investigation, the PSA said it would clarify the course of events and the scope of the incident, assess the actual and potential consequences of the incident, assess direct and underlying causes identify nonconformities and improvement points related to the regulations, apply necessary enforcement powers to correct possible regulatory breaches, make public its findings, and contribute to experience transfer to and learning by other players in the petroleum sector.

Offshore Engineer has reached out to Equinor and Odfjell Drilling, seeking further info on the incident.

Equinor did not immediately respond.

An Odfjell spokesperson said: "We confirm the information published by the PSA, that there has been an incident during a heavy lift from the supply vessel to the rig, Deepsea Atlantic. Odfjell Drilling and Equinor are jointly investigating in parallel with the ongoing PSA investigation. Based on this process, we are not in the position to share more information beyond the information given by the PSA."

In a recently released 2021 annual report, Odfjell Drilling said that in 2021 the company saw an increasing lost time incident trend, but a decrease in the number of medical treatments and dropped objects.

Odfjell said it had experienced one "high potential incident" and one serious incident in 2021.

The serious incident occurred in January 2021 when a crane hook hit a person during a lifting operation.

According to Odfjell drilling, the injury resulted in an LTI, but the injured person has recovered well and is back in his ordinary work. The "high potential incident" happened in November 2021 when a drill line dropped to the drill floor during a change of drill line.

No one was injured as a result of this dropped object, but the investigation group evaluated the potential consequence as high, Odfjell Drilling said in its annual report.

On April 27, Equinor released its first-quarter 2022 safety trend report.

"The first quarter 2022 safety results show a stable trend in the number of serious incidents and with regards to personal injuries. No incidents with major accident potential have been recorded during the first quarter," the company said at the time.

According to Equinor, the serious incident frequency, SIF (number of serious incidents per million hours worked), was 0.5 at the end of the first quarter of 2022. Most of the serious incidents are related to dropped objects and lifting operations. Equinor shared a document at the time, according to which there had been 12 dropped object incidents in the first quarter, involving various operations both offshore and onshore.

6. Edison Chouest Offshore to Provide SOV for U.S. Offshore Wind Farm Owned by Equinor, BP

Staff Writer | Offshore Engineer | May 12, 2022

[Edison Chouest Offshore to Provide SOV for U.S. \(oedigital.com\)](https://oedigital.com)

Empire Offshore Wind, a joint venture between Equinor and BP, has awarded Edison Chouest Offshore (ECO) a long-term service operations vessel charter. The vessel will service the Empire Wind offshore wind farm project located 15-30 miles southeast of Long Island.

Edison Chouest Offshore's plug-in hybrid service operations vessel (SOV) will be the first in the US offshore wind sector capable of sailing partly on battery power.

The vessel will accommodate up to 60 wind turbine technicians and will be utilized for operations and maintenance of the Empire Wind 1 and Empire Wind 2 offshore wind farms. The charter agreement has a fixed period of 10 years, with the start in the mid-2020s.

The project's two phases, Empire Wind 1 and 2, will have have a total installed capacity of more than 2 GW (816 + 1,260 MW).

The US-flagged vessel will be Jones Act compliant and have its home port at the South Brooklyn Marine Terminal (SBMT) in New York. The SOV will be constructed with components from ECO's supplier base across 34 US states.

ECO estimates that this will generate over 250 high-skilled US jobs during vessel construction.

"Edison Chouest Offshore is also dedicating considerable effort and resources to recruiting and training vessel crew from the New York region. ECO will

operate the vessel from their New York office," Equinor said Thursday.

The plug-in hybrid vessel will be the first in the U.S. capable of sailing on battery power for portions of the route. The SOV will sail into the port of SBMT on battery power, recharge the battery using shore power and sail out of New York Harbor. The hybrid vessel is certified to "tier 4 emissions standards", reaching the highest standard for marine applications.

Equinor and BP's agreement with Edison Chouest will generate ripple effects throughout the supply chain, creating jobs in numerous states across the country, Equinor said.

When completed, Empire Wind 1 and 2 will power more than 1 million New York households.



Empire Wind - Credit: Equinor

7. Thermoplastic Composite Pipes Could Carry Hydrogen Produced Directly at Floating Wind Farms

Staff Writer | Offshore Engineer | May 10, 2022

[Thermoplastic Composite Pipes Could Carry Hydrogen \(oedigital.com\)](https://oedigital.com)

Strohm, the developer of Thermoplastic Composite Pipe (TCP), has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with French renewable hydrogen supplier Lhyfe, to collaborate on the transportation solution for hydrogen produced from a floating wind turbine to be integrated with a hydrogen production system.

The partners said that they would collaborate on solutions for hydrogen transport, both onshore and offshore, but that the initial plan is to develop a solution for a floater with hydrogen production system.

Lhyfe's Nerehyd solution, a concept worth approximately €60 million, including research, development, and the production of the first prototype in 2025, incorporates a hydrogen production facility on a floating platform, connected to a wind turbine. The concept is adapted to on-grid or off-grid applications, from single wind turbines to large-scale wind farm developments.

According to Strohm, its corrosion-resistant TCP, which does not fatigue or suffer from issues associated with using steel pipe for hydrogen, is particularly suited for carrying hydrogen offshore and subsea.

Manufactured in long spoolable lengths and flexible in nature, the pipe can be pulled directly into the wind turbine generator, quickly and cost effectively building an offshore wind farm infrastructure, Strohm said.

Strohm CEO Martin van Onna - Credit: Strohm

"Lhyfe and Strohm recognize the value of collaborating in the offshore wind-to-hydrogen space, where superior characteristics of TCP, combined with optimized topside components such as electrolyzers, to deliver a safe, high-quality, and dependable hydrogen transfer solution. The flexibility of TCP also facilitates finding the optimal configuration for operators and integrators in the growing offshore renewable hydrogen production industry," Strohm said.

Strohm CEO **Martin van Onna** said: "We are very excited to announce this new partnership. We anticipate an increase in both size and scale of renewable projects in the next decade, and this collaboration will perfectly position our companies to support this.

"We share the same vision that renewable hydrogen will be an important part of the transition from fossil fuel. Lhyfe's extensive renewable hydrogen expertise coupled with Strohm's superior pipeline solutions will enable the rapid acceleration of safe offshore wind-to-hydrogen projects by providing more reliable and cost-effective solutions."

Marc Rousselet, director offshore deployment of Lhyfe added: "Lhyfe is looking at securing the entire value chain, from the production of the renewable hydrogen offshore to the supply at end-customers' sites. This includes controlling the transport of the hydrogen from the offshore production asset to shore.

"Strohm has qualified TCP flexible risers and flowlines, with pressures up to 700 bar at various internal diameters, and will add 100% pure hydrogen to its DNV qualification by the end of the year, far ahead of other technologies. The TCP manufacturer has developed strong collaborations with companies

installing such equipment offshore in a safe and efficient manner. Lhyfe has demonstrated the market exists and it has a high potential for growth and, with this partnership with Strohm, we aim to access a wide range of ambitious projects around the world."

According to information on Lhyfe's website, as early as fall 2022, Lhyfe will be commissioning the first pilot offshore green hydrogen facility to operate under real conditions.

The company said that this will be the world's first floating 1 MW electrolyzer and will be connected to a floating wind farm, "making Lhyfe the only company in the world with offshore operating experience." It is now clear if this project is also being considered for Strohm's TCPs.

Lhyfe, according to info on its website, is also collaborating to develop various offshore green hydrogen production concepts: modular topsides with 50-100 MW capacity in partnership with Les Chantiers de l'Atlantique; offshore hydrogen production plant on existing oil rigs with the Aquaterra and Borr Drilling groups; and floating wind farms incorporating green hydrogen production systems with Doris, an offshore wind farm designer.

"By 2030-2035, offshore could therefore represent around 3 GW additional installed capacity for Lhyfe," the company says.

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Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 9:24 AM
To: Lyncker, Lissa A <Lissa.Lyncker@boem.gov>; Filostrat, John <John.Filostrat@boem.gov>; Wilson, Matthew MGW <Matthew.Wilson@boem.gov>; Thomas, Bernadette S <Bernadette.Thomas@boem.gov>; Kaller, Agatha-Marie (Arie) <Arie.Kaller@boem.gov>; Robbins, Laura A <laura.robbs@boem.gov>; Sherman, Christa <Christa.Sherman@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Draft RD email

See attached email for final review for fatal flaws.

Mike

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To: Celata, Michael <Michael.Celata@boem.gov>
Cc: Robbins, Laura A <laura.robbs@boem.gov>
Subject: Fw: Draft RD email

Hi Mike,
this is the latest with input from Comms including and ensuring consistency with the Secretary's recent statements (from the other day- public service and National program).

Thanks,
Lissa

I also included the redline draft before Comms edits. (b) (5)

 [draft RD email 05-10-2022.docx](#)

thanks,
Lissa

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Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 3:47 PM
To: Lyncker, Lissa A <Lissa.Lyncker@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Draft email

Made a few more changes in yellow. See attached.

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Subject: Re: Draft email

Thanks, I added the highlight in green below. Also, (b) (5)

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Good morning/afternoon everyone,

From: [Daniel-Davis, Laura E](#)
To: [Schwartz, Melissa A](#)
Cc: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: FW: 258 Q
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022 11:16:02 AM

Laura Daniel-Davis

she/her

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Land and Minerals Management

laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 10:35 AM
To: Wallace, Andrew G <andrew_wallace@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: 258 Q

Here are the activities related to lease sale 258, it provides a good background.

<https://www.boem.gov/oil-gas-energy/leasing/lease-sale-258>

Here is the Final Scoping Report from the Notice to Prepared Environmental Impact Statement from 2020. It does not explicitly state that we did not here from the industry, but does summarize the comments, most of which were in opposition to the lease sale. We have not published the comments from the DEIS.

https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/documents/regions/alaska-ocs-region/2020_1110_CookInletLease_Sale_Final_Scoping_Report.pdf

From: Wallace, Andrew G <andrew_wallace@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 10:28 AM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: 258 Q

OK to provide this info to AK Senators (and SENR majority) staff, or does it need a scrub?

They followed up with a Q about when the scoping period was open for comments and when the DEIS was open for comments

I don't know maybe there are public links to those spots where people could view the comments (or lack thereof)?

From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>

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To: Wallace, Andrew G <andrew_wallace@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: 258 Q

BOEM published a Call for Information for Sale 258 in the *Federal Register* on September 10, 2020. We did not receive any nominations or indications of industry interest in response to the Call. Further, there was no expressed interest from oil and gas companies directly in the EIS. We did, however, receive comments from associations. Canceling this lease sale with consideration to the lack of industry interest is consistent with BOEM's practice. Following Lease Sale 191 in Alaska's Cook Inlet (May 2004), in which no bids were received, the Department gave greater weight to expressions of industry interest during the individual sale planning process in deciding whether to hold lease sales in the Cook Inlet.

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From: Wallace, Andrew G <andrew_wallace@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 10:04 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: 258 Q

Murkowski staff asking for explanation of our statement re lack of industry interest. Are there some points you can share w me? Tomorrow is fine

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From: [Kaller, Agatha-Marie \(Arie\)](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Cc: [Celata, Michael](#); [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: Re: NEPA Adequacy for 257
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022 4:11:17 PM
Attachments: [Lease Sale 257 Determination of NEPA Adequacy \(Final Signed\).pdf](#)

Here is the DNA. I can also forward the AR email we sent to Natalie if you would like that as well.

*Thanks,
Arie*

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To: Kaller, Agatha-Marie (Arie) <Arie.Kaller@boem.gov>
Cc: Celata, Michael <Michael.Celata@boem.gov>; Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>
Subject: NEPA Adequacy for 257

Arie—do we have links to the NEPA adequacy documents for 257 that you can please share ASAP

From: [Schwartz, Melissa A](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cook Inlet background
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022 5:24:17 PM

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
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To: Schwartz, Melissa A <melissa_schwartz@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cook Inlet background

(b) (5)

So you can say that BOEM is not currently in receipt of an exploration plan from Hilcorp and (b) (5)

From: Schwartz, Melissa A <melissa_schwartz@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 5:14 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cook Inlet background

Production or exploration? Or is that the term of art?

From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 5:10 PM
To: Schwartz, Melissa A <melissa_schwartz@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cook Inlet background

That is correct-Hilcorp has not gone to production on any lease from 244

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Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 5:01 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cook Inlet background

I don't know the answer here

From: Daly, Matthew <MDaly@ap.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 4:53 PM
To: Schwartz, Melissa A <melissa_schwartz@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cook Inlet background



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No active drilling from 2017 sale right (Lease 244)?

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Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 11:24 AM

To: Schwartz, Melissa A <melissa_schwartz@ios.doi.gov>

Subject: Cook Inlet background

[EXTERNAL]

There are a fair amount of stories that appear to have incorrect context around the history or impact of Cook Inlet. I offer the following on background:

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From: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: 258/59/61
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022 11:10:13 AM
Attachments: [2022-04-25 Revised ASLM Decision Memo - LS 258 \(clean copy\).docx](#)
[2022-04-25 Revised Background Memo - LS 258 \(clean copy\).docx](#)
[2022-04-25 Draft Memo Re Impact on 5-Year Program \(clean copy\).docx](#)
[2022.03.03 Draft Memo to ASLM re. Inability to Hold Sales 259 and 261.docx](#)
[Final Version FRN for Inability to Hold GOM Sales 259 and 261 .docx](#)

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From: [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 10:46:57 AM

Thanks, one other bullet point to consider:

Cook Inlet Sale 149, held in 1997, received bids on two tracts, both of which have expired.

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From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
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To: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>; Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>
Subject:

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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
Cc: [Macdonald, Cara Lee](#)
Subject: FW: 258 docs
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 10:49:40 AM
Attachments: [2022-04-25 Revised ASLM Decision Memo - LS 258 \(clean copy\).docx](#)
[2022-04-25 Draft Memo Re Impact on 5-Year Program \(clean copy\).docx](#)

Ericka

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Thank you

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To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Subject: 258 docs

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From: [Macdonald, Cara Lee](#)
To: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
Cc: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Royal, Pamela R](#)
Subject: RE: 258 docs
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 10:58:05 AM

Ericka, please route it so the DTS contains both Amanda and Travis's surnames before it hits the ASLM hallway. Once it gets to ASLM, Pam will send it directly to LDD so we can get it signed before 2 pm.

Many thanks!
Cara Lee

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Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 10:50 AM
To: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
Subject: Lease Sale 258
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:05:30 AM
Attachments: [258 cancellation.docx](#)

From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Daniel-Davis, Laura E](#); [Annatoyn, Travis J](#); [Macdonald, Cara Lee](#)
Subject: RE: Decision memo
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:06:50 AM

Already on it, taken care of
thanks

From: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:06 AM
To: Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>; Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>; Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Decision memo

I think BOEM should start it and Amanda can do shortly I believe. Cara Lee can you help/track?

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Laura

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We are on the move! Thanks all.

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Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:07:11 AM
To: Daniel-Davis, Laura E <laura_daniel-davis@ios.doi.gov>; Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>; Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
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Yes. Travis sent the docs to Amanda. Amanda tasked her DTS gal to get it formally to Travis, her, and you. I piled on and told Amanda's gal to make sure that both Travis and Amanda surnames were on it before it hit our hallway so we could surname and sign before 2 pm.

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Subject: DTS Assignment--Cancellation of Cook Inlet Lease Sale 258
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:16:32 AM

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Action Required: 3-Surname

Assigned By Office: DIR-ODM User: Ericka Williams

Thank you.

From: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Re: Lease Sale 258
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:28:08 AM
Attachments: [258 canellation_wdc.docx](#)

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Looks good. Made a couple of formatting changes in the attached, but nothing substantive.

From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:05 AM
To: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: Lease Sale 258

From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
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Subject: RE: 258 docs
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 12:32:22 PM

Yes please. I will be inserting the boss's digsig in the no kidding final doc.

From: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 12:31 PM
To: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>; Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
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Yes, I reviewed and formatted both documents. I did not however finalize for signature, should I do that as well as obtain Amanda's signature prior to sending to ASLM.

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To: [Taylor, Rachael S](#); [Beaudreau, Tommy P](#); [Schwartz, Melissa A](#); [Daniel-Davis, Laura E](#); [Anderson, Robert T](#)
Cc: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Subject: 259, 261, 258 Notice
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 12:53:21 PM
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All

Per my conversation with Laura this morning, attached please find for your review text for the BOEM website regarding lease sales 258, 259 and 261. We expect that we will post general text (the first statement) on our main page that lists all sales. This language is similar to that of the statement released earlier this week. On the 258 page, we would include a specific statement on the sale with a hyperlink to a one pager. Travis has reviewed the one-pager. Laura expects to sign the decision memo for 258 by 2pm and I understand we will post this before COB. Can we please aim to have all edits in by 3pm? happy to talk this through if helpful.

Best

A

From: [Caminiti, Mariagrazia](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Macdonald, Cara Lee](#); [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
Cc: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
Subject: Re: 258 docs
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 12:57:12 PM

Travis has surnamed- uploaded a version.

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Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:48 AM
To: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>; Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>; Caminiti, Mariagrazia <Marigrace.Caminiti@sol.doi.gov>
Cc: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: 258 docs

Travis has it and is aware

From: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:36 AM
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Cc: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>; Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: 258 docs

Travis and MG,

Please see below.

From: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:19 AM

To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: Re: 258 docs

Done, the DTS number is OEM0004469 and I have sent to SOL-DAD and requested to send directly to Travis. Will you can give him a heads up on the DTS#. Thanks!

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Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 10:49 AM
To: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Cc: Macdonald, Cara Lee <cara_macdonald@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: FW: 258 docs

Ericka

Please put this into DTS surnaming for Travis, Me and Laura. Please do so as quickly as possible.

Thank you

From: Annatoyn, Travis J <travis.annatoyn@sol.doi.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 10:48 AM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Knodel, Marissa S <Marissa.Knodel@boem.gov>
Subject: 258 docs

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From: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
To: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
Subject: Fw: 258
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 12:58:53 PM

And to me please (which may have been what Amanda meant).

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Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 12:57 PM
To: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Cc: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: 258

Ericka

Can you please send Travis and I the edited version of the 258 memo that travis just signed off on in DTS

From: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Cc: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
Subject: Re: 258
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Cc: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: 258

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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
Cc: [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
Subject: RE: 258
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 2:06:42 PM
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Thani kyou

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To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: 258

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Subject: RE: 258

Walter, I do not think that (b) (5)

From: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 1:30 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Cc: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: 258

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Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 12:57 PM
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Ericka

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From: [Schwartz, Melissa A](#)
To: Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov
Subject: Schwartz, Melissa A left a comment in "258, 259, 261 posting 5 13"
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To: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
Subject: RE: 258
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Thank you

From: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 2:15 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: 258

Here you go!

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Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 2:06 PM
To: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Cc: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: 258

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Ericka

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From: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
To: [Gillette, Connie S](#); [Cruickshank, Walter](#); [Moriarty, Tracey B](#)
Subject: RE: Gillette, Connie S shared "Statement on Cancelled Sales" with you.
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Connie and Tracey

I hope to get final edits in from the Department by three. Attached is the most recent version, including the one pager. Sending this to you now so you get a sense of the one pager

From: Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:18 AM
To: Cruickshank, Walter <Walter.Cruickshank@boem.gov>; Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
Subject: Gillette, Connie S shared "Statement on Cancelled Sales" with you.



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From: [Williams, Ericka A](#)
To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Re: 258
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ASLM signed the DM. Is this to go to OSR and would you like a copy of the signed documents.

From: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
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To: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Subject: RE: 258

Thank you

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Ericka

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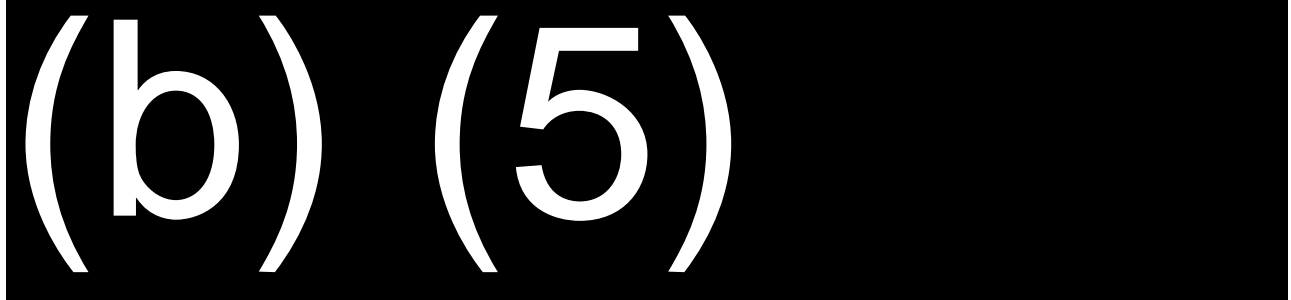
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To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Cc: [Knodel, Marissa S](#)
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From: [Annatoyn, Travis J](#)
To: [Anderson, Robert T](#); [Daniel-Davis, Laura E](#); [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: 258 update
Date: Friday, May 13, 2022 12:54:45 PM

Hi all:



Best,

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From: [Broussard, Randal J.](#)
To: [Weekly Drilling Report Meetings](#)
Subject: Fw: In this Monday, May 16 edition of the Daily Media Clips
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From: Public Affairs, BSEE <BSEEPublicAffairs@bsee.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 16, 2022 9:57 AM
To: BSEE Daily Media Clips <BSEEDailyMediaClips@bsee.gov>; Interior Press <interior_press@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Moriarty, Tracey B <Tracey.Moriarty@boem.gov>; Gillette, Connie S <Connie.Gillette@boem.gov>; Broussard, Randal J. <Randal.Broussard@boem.gov>
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1. An Innovative Tech To Generate Renewable Energy and Capture Carbon | Pranjal Mehar

Bioenergy is renewable energy produced from natural sources capable of replacing fossil energy. When combined with geothermal, it can potentially supercharge renewable electricity and create a carbon sink.

[UC](#) Engineering Ph.D. student Karan Titus has shown that combined geothermal and bioenergy plants could remove a million tonnes of CO₂ each year.

The work still is in its early stages. According to Titus, it could be a promising step as the world's economies continue major plans for decarbonization.

His doctoral co-supervisor, UC Civil and Natural Resources Engineering Senior Lecturer Dr.

David Dempsey, says: *"Finding new ways to minimize, or even reverse, emissions from geothermal energy sources can help Aotearoa New Zealand decarbonize its electricity sector by 2050 and reach a net-zero emissions economy by 2050, as set out in the 2019 Zero Carbon Act."*

This project focuses on an exciting strategy for not just reducing [CO₂ emissions](#) from geothermal but also [removing CO₂ from the atmosphere](#) and storing it underground. Carbon sequestration is a critical component of most international climate agreements, as the process is known.

Traditional carbon sequestration is still very challenging. The deep injection wells require tens of millions of dollars, and the buoyant gas tries to escape upwards.

Titus said, *"Geothermal systems solve both these problems. The wells have already been drilled, and we can dissolve CO₂ into water that has to be reinjected anyway. This new approach is already being trialed in Iceland, another country with significant geothermal resources."*

Titus has investigated a new technology called Geothermal-BECCS (Bioenergy and Carbon Capture & Sequestration) that sees forestry waste burned to generate electricity. It captures the CO₂ from the atmosphere and injects it underground. Together, bioenergy and geothermal energy can combine to create more electricity than geothermal alone.

Titus's co-supervisor, UC Civil Systems Engineering Lecturer Dr. Rebecca Peer, [said](#), *"Karan's work targets some key issues for Aotearoa's future energy system. Providing a reliable pathway for electricity generation that has net-negative emissions is very powerful and sets a great example for the rest of the world."*

2. CO₂ Capture From Seawater With Electrochemical Method | Reginald Davey | AZOM | May 13, 2022 | [CO₂ Capture From Seawater With Electrochemical Method](#)

Researchers from the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in the United States have reported the development of a novel electrochemical hydrogen-looping system for the removal of CO₂ from seawater. Their findings have been published online in the journal [ACS Energy Letters](#).

Addressing Climate Change with Carbon Capture

Society needs to rapidly decarbonize if net-zero climate emissions targets are to be achieved by 2050 to address the worst effects of anthropogenic climate change. Renewable energy generation technologies have started to replace conventional fossil fuel power stations over the past few decades, reducing the amount of new carbon emissions being generated. These technologies do not address legacy carbon pollution, however.

In recent years, there has been increasing attention on carbon capture and storage technologies to remove carbon from the environment. Carbon capture and storage technologies attached to conventional fossil fuel power plants and cement plants have provided promising results. Systems which remove legacy carbon emissions from the atmosphere and store it in locations such as underground storage are likely to play an increasing role in the future.

Another option is to recover carbon dioxide from seawater. The oceans contain vastly elevated concentrations of CO_2 compared to the atmosphere (around 140 times higher), and the world's oceans possess the majority of natural carbon sequestration capacity. An industrial-scale carbon capture solution to remove this climate change-inducing substance from the oceans has the potential to remove and sequester billions of tons of carbon dioxide per year.

Sequestering Carbon from Seawater

Developing carbon capture and storage technologies to remove and sequester carbon dioxide from seawater faces several challenges. Cost, both capital and operational, for seawater carbon capture and storage is high. Alongside this, there are ecological considerations, and the design of systems requires them to withstand damage from seawater corrosion.

Renewable energy generation, another key technological strategy for mitigating anthropogenic climate change, has been steadily driving down electricity generation costs due to industrial-scale installation and use and rapid advances in technology and materials. This has led to an increased interest in electrochemical methods for carbon capture and storage systems.

Two main electrochemical approaches that have been explored in recent research are electrolytic cation exchange modules and bipolar membrane electrodialysis. Both methods involve splitting dissolved salt into acids and bases. Acids react with bicarbonate and carbonate in seawater, and through a reaction with dissolved inorganic carbon they produce CO_2 , which is then recovered and sequestered. A weak base solution is then discharged back into the environment.

Whilst these technologies are promising, their high operational costs caused by the required high cell voltages limit their industrial-scale deployment. Furthermore, both systems require

the use of precious metal oxide catalysts due to oxygen evolution reactions. These catalysts are resource-limited and expensive. They cannot adequately compete with electrolysis for hydrogen generation. Some studies have reported improved bipolar membrane electrodialysis systems, but these systems are still complex and expensive to run.

The Study

The research has taken a novel approach to directly extract carbon dioxide from seawater with electrochemical methods. The technology is based on a traditional electrodialysis cell which provides OH^- and protons by splitting water with the assistance of hydrogen and oxidation and evolution reactions at two electrodes. The authors have referred to the proposed system as an EHL flow cell, which stands for *electrochemical hydrogen-looping*. In the system, hydrogen is generated at the positive electrode and is then circulated back to the negative electrode. This makes it a source of protons. The theoretical cell voltage of the proposed system is lower than conventional electrochemical methods, at 0.48 V, which addresses the issues with these techniques. The EHL flow cell consumes 56% lower energy than conventional bipolar membrane electrodialysis methods.

Two protons are released per hydrogen molecule by hydrogen oxidation at the flow cell's anode. These are then transported through a proton exchange membrane, reacting with HCO_3^- and CO_3^{2-} ions, producing acidified seawater and carbon dioxide which is then collected. Hydrogen produced at the cathode then flows back to the anode, creating a closed-loop system that compensates for hydrogen consumption during the oxidation reaction. A weak base solution is then discharged.

The authors analyzed the EHL flow cell's performance under various conditions. Compared with other technologies, the novel system proposed in the research has mild operating conditions, enabling the use of inexpensive components.

The research has demonstrated the development of a next-generation flow cell for carbon capture from seawater. More abundant and low-cost catalysts can be used due to the hydrogen evolution reaction in the system. Moreover, the flow cell has scaling potential and can be deployed in centralized or modular deployments. Its self-sustaining capabilities provide cost benefits for widespread use.

3. Biden Administration Cancels Gulf of Mexico, Alaska Lease Sales | Staff Writers | Offshore Magazine | May 13, 2022 | [Biden Administration Cancels Gulf of Mexico, Alaska Lease Sales](#)

WASHINGTON, DC – The Biden administration has canceled two lease auctions in the Gulf of Mexico and one offshore Alaska, according to multiple online reports.

A spokesperson with the US Department of Interior was quoted by Fox News to say that the

DOI “will not move forward with lease sales 259 and 261 in the Gulf of Mexico region, as a result of delays due to factors including conflicting court rulings that impacted work on these proposed lease sales.”

The Interior Department reportedly said that it “will not move forward” with two Gulf lease auctions that were planned under former President Barack Obama “as a result of delays due to factors including conflicting court rulings that impacted work on these proposed sales.”

The spokesperson was also quoted to say that: “Due to lack of industry interest in leasing in the area, the Department will not move forward with the proposed Cook Inlet OCS oil and gas lease sale 258.”

The Interior Department did not say when it would next hold a lease sale in US coastal waters, nor did it indicate when it would complete and submit a new five-year leasing plan.

A “significant amount of internal work” still needs to be done on that five-year plan, Interior Secretary Deb Haaland told lawmakers two weeks ago, signaling that it is unlikely to be in place when the current program expires on June 30.

Federal budget documents show the Biden administration does not anticipate holding more oil and gas lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico through at least October 2023.

4. TotalEnergies Confirms U.S. Offshore Wind Award. Says Wind Farm Could Come Online By 2030 | Staff Writer | Offshore Engineer/OEDigital | May 13, 2022 | [TotalEnergies Confirms U.S. Offshore Wind Award. Says Wind Farm Could Come Online By 2030](#)

After the **U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)** announced TotalEnergies and Duke Energy Corp as the winners of two offshore wind leases in federal waters off the coast of North and South Carolina on Wednesday, the confirmation came Friday from TotalEnergies, too.

TotalEnergies has won the maritime lease area OCS-A 0545 as part of the Carolina Long Bay auction. This bid for the development of an offshore wind farm in the Carolina Long Bay area offshore North Carolina was won for a consideration of US\$ 160 million by TotalEnergies.

Located 20 nautical miles (37 kilometers) from the coast, the lease covers a 120 square nautical miles area (222 square kilometers) that will generate a capacity of more than 1 GW, enough to provide power to more than 300,000 homes. The project is expected to come online by 2030.

This announcement follows the award in February 2022 of a lease to develop a 3 GW wind farm off the coast of [New York and New Jersey, United States](#). **Credit: TotalEnergies**

"Being awarded this lease, our second offshore wind project in the U.S., demonstrates the strength of our commitment to the country and our transformation in a multi-energy company. This project adds to our portfolio of more than 10 GW gross capacity of renewable

projects in operation, in construction, and in development in the U.S. It is one more step towards our objective of reaching 100 GW of renewable electricity generation worldwide by 2030," said **Patrick Pouyanné**, Chairman and CEO of TotalEnergies.

The Carolina Long Bay project is part of the U.S. government's goal to deploy 30 GW of offshore wind in the U.S. by 2030.

5. Industry Disputes Interior Department's Rationale For Canceling Alaska Offshore Lease Sale | Jeremy Beaman | Washington Examiner | May 15, 2022 | [Industry Disputes Interior Department's Rationale For Canceling Alaska Offshore Lease Sale](#)

Industry groups and some [Republicans](#) are disputing the [Biden administration](#)'s justification for pulling the plug on the offshore lease sale in [Alaska](#)'s Cook Inlet, which it said was canceled "due to lack of industry interest."

Both have argued energy companies and other parties did want the sale to move forward and that the only way to gauge interest in the sale properly would have been to hold it and allow energy companies to offer bids.

The Interior Department confirmed late Wednesday it would not move forward with work on three offshore lease sales, one for acreage in Cook Inlet and two off the Gulf Coast, the last outstanding sales outlined in the current five-year offshore leasing program.

Kara Moriarty, president and CEO of the Alaska Oil and Gas Association, said the administration's reasoning on Cook Inlet was "disingenuous" and pointed to comments she filed with the **Bureau of Ocean Energy Management** in December in which she expressed her organization's support for the sale.

"We certainly said, 'Hey, we support having a lease sale move forward,' and as a trade association, we don't put out any comments unless, obviously, the majority of our members support that," she told the *Washington Examiner*.

Moriarty also echoed the response of Sen. Dan Sullivan (R-AK), who criticized the cancellation and said "only holding a lease sale" would ultimately illustrate companies' level of interest.

"If you really want to know if a company is interested in picking up leases, hold the lease sale. There's nothing that says you can't hold it and then nobody show," she said.

Moriarty also likened competition over acreage to a game of poker in which energy companies are often not prepared to "show their hand" and reveal publicly whether they intend to bid or not beforehand.

The Interior Department did not disclose how it determined the level of industry interest to be lacking, but it isn't a novel justification, something the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management noted in an [update](#) to the lease sale's webpage published Friday.

The Interior Department [canceled](#) a lease sale for Cook Inlet in 2011 for the same reason.

Then, in 2017, the department went on to award 14 tracts covering 76,615 acres in the inlet. As for the two Gulf lease sales canceled Wednesday, the administration said it will not move forward because of "delays due to factors including conflicting court rulings that impacted

work on these proposed lease sales.”

The administration is currently engaged in several active lawsuits affecting the leasing program. It is appealing a ruling delivered last June that enjoined the government from implementing a blanket pause on both onshore and offshore leasing.

Judge Terry Doughty, a Trump appointee, ruled in that case that federal law requires the government to hold lease sales, and administration officials have cited that ruling as a justification for moving forward with lease sales since.

In another case, the American Petroleum Institute is appealing a federal judge's ruling that threw out the lone offshore sale carried out last year.

The National Offshore Industries Association argued that the sum of litigation should not have disrupted the sales. BOEM cut the process off before completing draft environmental reviews for either sale.

"They absolutely could have done the environmental work for those lease sales," said Erik Milito, NOIA's president. "There was absolutely nothing that held them back when it comes to the court decisions, or the underlying statutes, when it came to getting this work done."

The Biden administration has been under competing pressures in recent months regarding how to move forward on the leasing program with oil and gas prices high and rising to record levels.

Environmental groups [have been lobbying the administration](#) to keep President Joe Biden's campaign promise of ending drilling on federal lands and waters as a way to mitigate climate change, arguing the government has the discretion to hold no sales at all.

Some are also making the case that the Interior Department's next, and currently delayed, five-year plan for the offshore program, which the department must finalize in order to hold lease sales, should simply be published without any lease sales in it.

Meanwhile, Republicans [and some Democrats](#) want Biden to make more lands and waters available to curb prices and reduce price shocks.

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Chairman Joe Manchin (D-WV) [said](#) the three cancellations are "just awful."

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Date: Monday, May 16, 2022 4:33:56 PM

Here are my edits. Thank you

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- The Department's statement is accurate.
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- When we conducted Lease Sale 257 it was vacated by a federal court.
- We have recently announced a new lease sale for onshore BLM lands.
- We will continue with a careful, thoughtful approach when it comes to this program in the context of a lot of litigation.

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Let us know if these look OK for TPs to these Qs to add to the materials in terms of responding to the lease cancelations from late Thursday/Friday.

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1. USA Lease Sale Cancellation Leaves Industry in Limbo

Andreas Exarheas | Rigzone | Tuesday, May 17, 2022

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The cancellation of lease sales 258 (Cook Inlet) and 259, 260 (Gulf of Mexico) that were planned under the 2017-2022 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program elevates regulatory uncertainty for oil and gas investors.

That's what Dominika Rzechorzek, an oil and gas analyst at Fitch Solutions, told Rigzone, adding that the move leaves the industry in limbo as the new five-year leasing program has not been published yet, "despite the rapidly approaching deadline of June 30".

"Thus, it remains uncertain if and when the Department of Interior (DOI) will hold future offshore leasing auctions," Rzechorzek said.

The Fitch Solutions analyst noted that the suspension of offshore lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico will have much broader implications as compared to the Cook Inlet lease sale, "given the much stronger interest in the acreage off U.S. southern states".

"The offshore Alaska lease sales have struggled to gain much interest and many have been cancelled before, for example Lease Sale 242 (Beaufort Sea) or 237 (Chukchi Sea) originally planned for 2015," Rzechorzek said.

The Fitch Solutions analyst outlined that the last Gulf of Mexico sale, conducted in November 2021 and later annulled in Judge Contreras' verdict, attracted a number of bidders, "with the level of bids generated in this lease reflecting a heightened interest in the offshore Gulf of Mexico".

"Thus, despite growing regulatory uncertainty, we expected that the upcoming Gulf of Mexico leases would gain relatively strong interest, especially as the uncertainty over future of offshore lease sales has grown given lack of details on 2022-2027 Program," Rzechorzek said.

"We note that suspension of lease programs in the Gulf of Mexico will limit the ability of upstream companies to secure new acreage and pursue new developments to sustain level of oil and gas production despite natural decline in production from mature fields," Rzechorzek added.

"Should the suspension of lease sales be sustained, Gulf of Mexico would see a more rapid decline in output over the long term, as companies would struggle to replace output from mature fields with production from new developments. However, the near-term production outlook would not be affected to a large extent given a robust project pipeline announce by key oil and gas companies for the near future," Rzechorzek continued.

Rigzone has shown this article to the DOI asking if the organization would like to send over a comment for inclusion. At the time of writing, the DOI has

not yet responded.

2. Energy Conferences Will Focus On Innovative Solutions To Alaska Energy Problems

Alex DeMarban | Anchorage Daily News | May 10, 2022

[Alaska Journal | Energy Conferences Will Focus On Innovative Solutions To Alaska Energy Problems](#)

Four days of conferences in Anchorage will focus on finding solutions to energy challenges in Alaska starting May 23.

The in-person events will center on renewable energy opportunities to lower high power prices, innovative ideas such as geothermal and nuclear to support rural towns and ways to deliver energy more efficiently in Alaska, among other topics.

Investment experts familiar with funding opportunities for projects will also be speaking at the events, said Givey Kochanowski, senior adviser for the Arctic Energy Office in Alaska, part of the U.S. Energy Department.

The Energy Department on Monday, May 23, will kick off the conferences with a one-day event [called ArcticX](#). The conference will bring together Alaskans and federal energy officials focused on different technologies, Kochanowski said.

Geraldine Richmond, Under Secretary for science and innovation at the Energy Department, will be a keynote speaker. Rob Gillam, with Alaska investment firm McKinley Capital Management, will be another.

On May 24, the state will host the [Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference](#), featuring three days of panels focused on energy policy, projects and solutions.

Keynote speakers will include former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and former Energy Secretary Rick Perry, both appointed by former President Donald Trump. They'll appear virtually. Another keynote speaker will be Bill Ritter Jr., former Colorado governor and head of the Center for the New Energy Economy at Colorado State University.

The event will also feature experts who have hands-on experience addressing Alaska's costly and carbon-based energy supplies, such as Clay Koplin, former Cordova mayor and chief executive of Cordova Electric Cooperative, who has emphasized renewable energy use in the Prince William Sound community.

Gov. Mike Dunleavy announced the conference in February. A key sponsor is the Alaska Center for Energy and Power, with the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Both events will be held at the Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center.

3. U.S. Rig Count Continues Its Rise This Week As Oil Trades Above \$100 Per Barrel

Kyra Buckley, Staff writer | Houston Chronicle | May 13, 2022

[U.S. Rig Count Increases For Eighth Straight Week \(houstonchronicle.com\)](#)

Oil and gas companies operating in the U.S. continued to add rigs this week as producers work to take advantage of high prices, which are mostly due to the tightening global supply as country's slap sanctions on major fuel exporter Russia for its war against Ukraine.

The number of operating drill rigs rose by nine nationally to 714 this week, according to oil field services company Baker Hughes and data firm Enverus. Oil and gas companies have added 261 rigs in the past year, a nearly 58 percent increase from the 453 operating in the same week of 2021.

Companies continue to face growing pressure to up production in an effort to make up for Russian oil and gas lost to the market. However, in first-quarter earnings calls with investors many Houston oil companies say they're focused on returning money to shareholders by carrying out planned production increases – not rapidly increasing production.

"It's almost value destruction if you try to accelerate anything now," Occidental Petroleum CEO Vicki Hollub told investors on Wednesday. "And some of the longer term projects just can't get started because of the cost involved. Now, for those of us that had plans in place – and there are other companies that have done this, too – but those of us that had plans in place and had those plans in place early enough, we've been able to mitigate some of the impact of the inflation and all that."

The "all that" includes snags in the supply chain stemming in part from the pandemic and made worse by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, making it hard for operators to get some needed oil field resources.

Despite those issues, experts are still expecting production to surge this year in places like the Permian Basin of Texas boosted by high oil prices. On Friday West Texas crude oil was trading as high as \$110 per barrel.

4. Chevron Sanctions \$1.6B Ballymore Deepwater Project in U.S. Gulf of Mexico

Staff Writer | Offshore Engineer | May 17, 2022

[Chevron Sanctions \\$1.6B Ballymore Deepwater \(oedigital.com\)](#)

U.S. oil major Chevron has sanctioned the Ballymore oil field development in the deepwater U.S. Gulf of Mexico.

The project, with a design capacity of 75,000 barrels of crude oil per day, will be developed as a three-mile subsea tieback to the existing Chevron-operated Blind Faith platform.

Steve Green, president of Chevron North America Exploration and Production said: "Once complete, Ballymore is expected to add a reliable supply of U.S.-produced energy to help meet global demand. The project is designed to lower development costs by using a subsea tieback approach, standardized equipment and repeatable engineering solutions – leveraging existing operated infrastructure."

Ballymore will be Chevron's first development in the Norphlet trend of the U.S. gulf. The project will be in the Mississippi Canyon area in around 6,600 feet (2,000 m) of water, about 160 miles (260 km) southeast of New Orleans. Potentially recoverable oil-equivalent resources for Ballymore are estimated at more than 150 million barrels.

The project, which involves three production wells tied back via one flowline to the nearby Blind Faith platform, will require an investment of approximately \$1.6 billion. Oil and natural gas production will be transported via existing infrastructure. First oil is expected in 2025.

Chevron is the operator of the Ballymore project with a 60 percent working interest. Chevron's partner in the project is the French oil major TotalEnergies, which holds the remaining 40 percent stake.

"Sanctioning the Ballymore field development, only four years after the discovery, is the result of our exploration efforts in the Gulf of Mexico, said **David Mendelson**, Senior Vice President Americas of TotalEnergies Exploration & Production. Thanks to its tie-back development concept, this decision fits TotalEnergies' strategy of focusing on oil projects with low breakeven and low emissions."

Helix Energy Solutions to Buy Alliance Companies to Boost Presence in Gulf of Mexico Decommissioning Space

Staff Writer | Offshore Engineer | May 17, 2022

[Helix Energy Solutions to Buy Alliance Companies \(oedigital.com\)](#)

U.S.-based offshore oil and gas services firm Helix Energy Solutions Group is set to buy equity interests of Louisiana-based Alliance group of companies for \$120 million cash at closing, plus the potential for post-closing earnout consideration.

Alliance is a Louisiana-based privately held company that provides services supporting the upstream and midstream industries in the Gulf of Mexico shelf, including offshore oil field decommissioning and reclamation, project management, engineered solutions, intervention, maintenance, repair, heavy lift, and commercial diving services.

Helix said the acquisition aligned with its energy transition business model by expanding its decommissioning presence in the Gulf of Mexico shelf and advancing Helix's ESG initiatives by responsibly supporting end-of-life requirements of oil and gas projects.

The company said the purchase bolstered its decommissioning and life-of-field maintenance service capabilities through the addition of Alliance's comprehensive shallow water assets, including a fleet of Jones Act-compliant lift boats, offshore supply vessels, a heavy lift derrick barge and diving vessels, as well as plug and abandonment systems, coiled tubing systems and snubbing units.

\$3 Billion in Decom Expenditures in N. America

"[The acquisition] positions Helix to further penetrate the North America decommissioning market, with published reports forecasting nearly \$3 billion of decommissioning expenditures between 2022 and 2025, and potential to expand into the global market," Helix said.

"Based on a number of market and regulatory drivers and our current expectations, we fully believe that the offshore oil and gas decommissioning market will grow significantly in the near term," said **Owen Kratz**, Helix's President and Chief Executive Officer. "This acquisition complements Helix's present deepwater abandonment offerings by adding shelf and facility abandonment capabilities, and significantly enhances our position as a full-field abandonment services provider, both in the Gulf of Mexico and globally. We also see possibilities to expand our opportunities within our existing late-life production business. We are thrilled at the prospect of adding Alliance to the Helix family, and we believe this acquisition is a meaningful step in Helix's responsible participation in this age of Energy Transition."

"This transaction represents the culmination of many years of hard work, as we have grown Alliance from the ground up," commented Steve Williams, owner of Alliance. "Our recent successes in acquiring and developing businesses and assets to establish Alliance as an offshore shallow water energy services company has led us to Helix, who we see as the industry standard in deepwater energy services. We are excited for the potential combination of Helix and Alliance and the value proposition we can bring to our customers."

As mentioned earlier, the purchase price is equal to \$120 million of cash at closing, plus the potential for post-closing earnout consideration payable in 2024, in the event the Alliance business achieves certain financial metrics in 2022 and 2023. Helix has the option to pay any earnout consideration in cash, Helix stock, or a combination. The acquisition is expected to close mid-2022.

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Hello everyone,

For awareness (no action needed), I wanted to share the notes from last Friday's meeting with representatives from the EJ-focused organizations in the Gulf region, and notes from our internal debrief yesterday, where we identified some short- and long-term takeaways and action items.

Peace,

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Notes from 5/13/2022 call:

- *Purpose:* To meet one another and discuss outreach and engagement strategies for underserved and environmental justice communities in the Gulf region for BOEM programs and activities, specifically the development of the next National OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program, offshore wind, and carbon sequestration rulemaking.
- *Participants:*
 - Kendall Dix, Policy Director, Gulf Coast Center for Law and Policy
 - Grace Treffinger, Gulf Coast Center for Law and Policy
 - Monique Hardin, Deep South Center for Environmental Justice
 - Dustin Renaud, Communications Director, Healthy Gulf
 - Mike Celata, Regional Director, BOEM Gulf of Mexico
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Kelly Hammerle, Chief, National Program Development Branch

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Notes from internal debrief/discussion 5/18/2022:

Some key takeaways/action items:

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Subject: Expedite: Request for Surname OEM0004487 Inability to Hold Lease Sales 259/261 Prior to the End of the 2017-2022 Five-Year Program
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Sent: Monday, May 30, 2022 2:11 PM
To: Lefton, Amanda B <Amanda.Lefton@boem.gov>
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The Directorate has reviewed.

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Sent: Friday, May 27, 2022 5:43 PM
To: Williams, Ericka A <Ericka.Williams@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: Expedite: Request for Surname OEM0004487 Inability to Hold Lease Sales 259/261 Prior to the End of the 2017-2022 Five-Year Program

One comment in the attached file.

Thanks,
Walter

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Thank you, Ericka. I surname with no edits.

Peace,

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Thanks,

Natalie

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To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Cruickshank, Walter](#)
Cc: [Naranjo, Jeronimo](#); [Knodel, Marissa S](#); [Gillette, Connie S](#)
Subject: SENR QFR"s for Clearance
Date: Tuesday, May 31, 2022 4:08:15 PM
Attachments: [SENR Budget FY23 QFR assignments BOEM ver.2.docx](#)

Good afternoon Walter and Amanda:

I received the attached 8 QFR's on Wednesday afternoon, 5/25 from OCL as a result of the Secretary's hearing on 5/19. OCL asked for us to send them cleared responses by COB today, May 31.

Being mindful of the compressed timeline requested by OCL, I conferred with SOL and OSR in drafting these responses and also utilized previously cleared language on the topics raised in the QFR sets.

Please provide any edits/comments or your clearance to the attached responses.

V/r
Mitch

Mitch Hoskins
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To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#); [Farmer, Isis U](#)
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Subject: RE: Flags and Questions for this week
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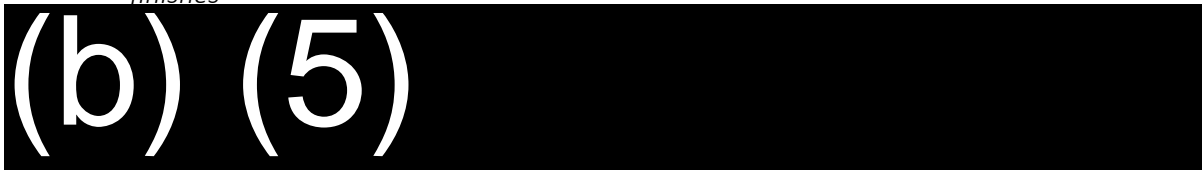
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Subject: Re: SENR QFR's for Clearance
Date: Wednesday, June 1, 2022 9:24:29 AM
Attachments: [SENR Budget FY23 QFR assignments BOEM ver.3 sol.docx](#)

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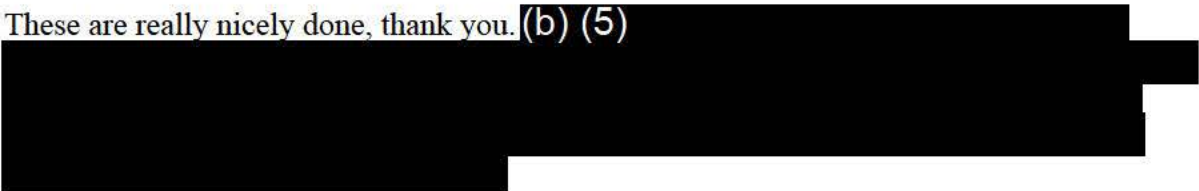
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Date: Wednesday, June 1, 2022 4:27:19 PM
Attachments: [2022.05.26 Draft Memo to ASLM re. Inability to Hold Sales 259 and 261 CLEAN_wdcAL_Clean_ema.docx](#)

Mostly good. Thank you!

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To: [Lefton, Amanda B](#)
Subject: Revised PP decision chapter
Date: Friday, June 3, 2022 7:03:47 PM
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Date: Sunday, June 5, 2022 8:58:13 PM
Attachments: [Proposed Program Decision draft 3June22 \(002\)AL.docx](#)

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There have been no more edits since we concurred.

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Kind Regards
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Thank you Amanda. I will revert with any questions.

Best,
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