

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

March 29, 2004

To: Public Information (MS 5034)
From: Plan Coordinator, FO, Plans Section (MS 5231)

Subject: Public Information copy of plan
Control # - N-08046
Type - Initial Exploration Plan
Lease(s) - OCS-G24802 Block - 206 East Cameron Area
Operator - Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation
Description - Wells and Well Protectors A and B
Rig Type - JACKUP

Attached is a copy of the subject plan.

It has been deemed submitted as of this date and is under review for approval.



Karen Dunlap
Plan Coordinator

Site Type/Name	Botm Lse/Area/Blk	Surface Location	Surf Lse/Area/Blk
WP/WP A		6030 FSL, 1420 FEL	G24802/EC/206
WP/WP B		6030 FSL, 1420 FEL	G24802/EC/206
WELL/A	G24802/EC/206	6030 FSL, 1420 FEL	G24802/EC/206
WELL/B	G24802/EC/206	6030 FSL, 1420 FEL	G24802/EC/206

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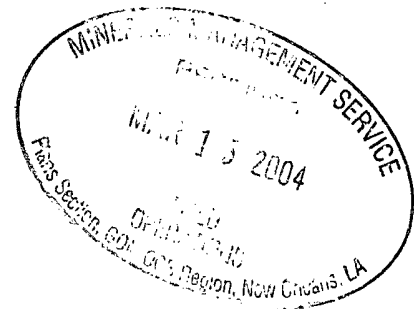
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Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation
Gulf Coast Region

March 11, 2004

U.S. Department of the Interior
Minerals Management Service
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard
New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394



Attention: Mr. Nick Wetzel
Plans Unit

RE: Initial Exploration Plan for Lease OCS-G 24802, East Cameron Block 206, OCS Federal Waters, Gulf of Mexico, Offshore, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Title 30 CFR 250.203 and that certain Notice to Lessees (NTL 2003-G17), Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation (Cabot) hereby submits for your review and approval an Initial Exploration Plan (Plan) for Lease OCS-G 24802, East Cameron Block 206, Offshore, Louisiana. Excluded from the Public Information copies are certain geologic and geophysical discussions and attachments.

Enclosed are two Proprietary Information copies (one hard copy and one CD) and three Public Information copies (one hard copy and two CD's) of the Plan.

Contingent upon receiving regulatory approvals and based on equipment and personnel availability, Cabot anticipates operations under this Plan commencing as early as May 1, 2004.

Should additional information be required, please contact the undersigned, or our regulatory consultant, R.E.M. Solutions, Inc., Attention: Christine Groth at 281.492.8562.

Sincerely,

CABOT OIL & GAS CORPORATION

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Attachments

Public Information

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INITIAL EXPLORATION PLAN

LEASE OCS-G 24802

EAST CAMERON BLOCK 206

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DATED:

March 11, 2004

SECTION A

Contents of Plan

A. Description, Objectives and Schedule

Lease OCS-G 24802, East Cameron Block 206 was acquired by Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation at the Central Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale No. 185 held on March 19, 2003. The lease was issued with an effective date of July 1, 2003 and a primary term ending date of June 30, 2008.

The current lease operatorship and ownership are as follows:

Area/Block Lease No.	Operator	Ownership
East Cameron Block 206 Lease OCS-G 24802	Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation	Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation

Cabot proposes to drill, potentially complete, and test Well Locations A and B from a common surface location and install a well protector structure in East Cameron Block 206. Information pertaining to the geological targets, including a narrative of trapping features, is included as *Attachment A-1*.

B. Location

Included, as *Attachments A-2 through A-4*, is Form MMS-137 "OCS Plan Information Form", Well Location Plats, and a bathymetry map detailing the proposed well surface location disturbance area.

C. Drilling Unit

Cabot will utilize a typical jack-up type drilling rig for the proposed drilling, potential completion and testing operations along with the installation of the well protector structure provided for in this Plan. Actual rig specifications will be included with the Applications for Permit to Drill.

Safety of personnel and protection of the environment during the proposed operations is of primary concern with Cabot, and mandates regulatory compliance with the contractors and vendors associated with the proposed operations as follows:

Minerals Management Service regulations contained in Title 30 CFR Part 250, Subparts C, D, E, and O mandate the operations comply with well control, pollution prevention, construction and welding procedures as described in Title 30 CFR Part 250, Subparts C, D, E, and O; and as further clarified by MMS Notices to Lessees.

SECTION A

Contents of Plan - Continued

Minerals Management Service conducts periodic announced and unannounced onsite inspections of offshore facilities to confirm operators are complying with lease stipulations, operating regulations, approved plans, and other conditions; as well as to assure safety and pollution prevention requirements are being met. The National Potential Incident of Noncompliance (PINOC) List serves as the baseline for these inspections.

U. S. Coast Guard regulations contained in Title 33 CFR mandate the appropriate life rafts, life jackets, ring buoys, etc., be maintained on the facility at all times.

U. S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations contained in the NPDES General Permit GMG290000 mandate that supervisory and certain designated personnel on-board the facility be familiar with the effluent limitations and guidelines for overboard discharges into the receiving waters.

Geological Targets and Trapping Features

**Attachment A-1
(Proprietary Information)**

OCS Plan Information Form

**Attachment A-2
(Public Information)**

OCS PLAN INFORMATION FORM

General Information														
Type of OCS Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration Plan (EP)	Development Operations Coordination Document (DOCD)											
Company Name: Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation			MMS Operation Number: 01355											
Address: 1200 Enclave Parkway			Contact Person: Christine Groth / R.E.M. Solutions, Inc.											
Houston, Texas 77077			Phone Number: (281) 492-8562											
			E-Mail Address: christine@remssolutionsinc.com											
Lease(s): G24802			Area: EC		Block(s): 206		Project Name (If Applicable): NA							
Objective(s):	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Gas	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sulphur	<input type="checkbox"/>	Salt	Onshore Base: Cameron, LA			Distance to Closes Land (Miles): 70		
Description of Proposed Activities (Mark all that apply)														
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration drilling						Development drilling							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Well completion						Installation of production platform							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Well test flaring (for more than 48 hours)						Installation of production facilities							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Installation of caisson or platform as well protection structure						Installation of satellite structure							
	Installation of subsea wellheads and/or manifolds						Commence production							
	Installation of lease term pipelines						Other (Specify and describe)							
Have you submitted or do you plan to submit a Conservation Information Document to accompany this plan?											<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
Do you propose to use new or unusual technology to conduct your activities?											<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
Do you propose any facility that will serve as a host facility for deepwater subsea development?											<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
Do you propose any activities that may disturb an MMS-designated high-probability archaeological area?											<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
Have all of the surface locations of your proposed activities been previously reviewed and approved by MMS?											<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
Tentative Schedule of Proposed Activities														
Proposed Activity							Start Date		End Date		No. of Days			
Drill, complete and test Well Location A							05/01/2004		07/01/2004		61			
Drill, complete and test Well Location B and install well protector structure							07/15/2004		09/15/2004		62			
Description of Drilling Rig							Description of Production Platform							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jackup		<input type="checkbox"/>		Drillship		<input type="checkbox"/>		Caisson		Tension Leg Platform			
	Gorilla Jackup		<input type="checkbox"/>		Platform rig		<input type="checkbox"/>		Well protector		Compliant tower			
	Semi-submersible		<input type="checkbox"/>		Submersible		<input type="checkbox"/>		Fixed Platform		Guyed tower			
	DP Semi-submersible		<input type="checkbox"/>		Other (Attach description)		<input type="checkbox"/>		Subsea manifold		Floating production system			
Drilling Rig Name (if known):							Spar		Other (Attach Description)					
Description of Lease Term Pipelines														
From (Facility/Area/Block)				To (Facility/Area/Block)				Diameter (Feet)		Length (Feet)				
NA														

OCS PLAN INFORMATION FORM (CONTINUED)
Include one copy of this page for each proposed well/structure

Proposed Well/Structure Location					
Well or Structure Name/Number (If renaming well or structure, reference previous name): Well Location A					Subsea Completion
Anchor Radius (if applicable) in feet:					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Surface Location			Bottom-Hole Location (For Wells)	
Lease No.	OCS-G 24802			OCS-G	
Area Name	East Cameron			East Cameron	
Block No.	206			206	
Blockline Departures (in feet)	N/S Departure	6030'	F S L	N/S Departure:	
	E/W Departure	1420'	F E L	E/S Departure:	
Lambert X-Y coordinates	X: 1,508,096.10			X:	
	Y: 26,594.90			Y:	
Latitude / Longitude	Latitude 28-43-50.660			Latitude	
	Longitude 92-52-04.309			Longitude	
TVD (Feet):			MD (Feet):		Water Depth (Feet): 105'
Anchor Locations for Drilling Rig or Construction Barge (If anchor radius supplied above, not necessary)					
Anchor Name or No.	Area	Block	X Coordinate	Y Coordinate	Length of Anchor Chain on Seafloor
			X=	Y=	
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Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 Statement: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires us to inform you that MMS collects this information as part of an applicant's Exploration Plan or Development Operations Coordination Document submitted for MMS approval. We use the information to facilitate our review and data entry for OCS plans. We will protect proprietary data according to the Freedom of Information Act and 30 CFR 250.196. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget Control Number. The use of this form is voluntary. The public reporting burden for this form is included in the burden for preparing Exploration Plans and Development Operations Coordination Documents. We estimate that burden to average 580 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, Mail Stop 4230, Minerals Management Service, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20240.					

OCS PLAN INFORMATION FORM (CONTINUED)
Include one copy of this page for each proposed well/structure

Proposed Well/Structure Location					
Well or Structure Name/Number (If renaming well or structure, reference previous name): Well Location B					Subsea Completion
Anchor Radius (if applicable) in feet:					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Surface Location			Bottom-Hole Location (For Wells)	
Lease No.	OCS-G 24802			OCS-G 24802	
Area Name	East Cameron			East Cameron	
Block No.	206			206	
Blockline Departures (in feet)	N/S Departure 6030' F S L			N/S Departure:	
	E/W Departure 1420' F E L			E/S Departure:	
Lambert X-Y coordinates	X: 1,508,096.10			X:	
	Y: 26,594.90			Y:	
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Anchor Name or No.	Area	Block	X Coordinate	Y Coordinate	Length of Anchor Chain on Seafloor
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Well Location Plat

**Attachment A-3
(Public Information)**

EC193

PROPOSED LOCATIONS

LOCATION	CALLNS	CALLEW	X COORDINATE	Y COORDINATE	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	WD	TVD	MD
A SURFACE	6,030.00' FSL	1,420.00' FEL	1,508,096.10'	26,594.90'	28° 43' 50.660"N	92° 52' 04.309"W			
B SURFACE	6,030.00' FSL	1,420.00' FEL	1,508,096.10'	26,594.90'	28° 43' 50.660"N	92° 52' 04.309"W			

EC206

OCS-G-24802

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A SURFACE
B SURFACE



GRID NORTH

EC211

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Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation

EXPLORATION PLAN

OCS-G-24802

BLOCK 206
EAST CAMERON AREA
GULF OF MEXICO

FUGRO CHANCE INC.

200 Dulles Dr. Lafayette, Louisiana 70506-3001 (537) 237-1300



GEODETIC DATUM: NAD27
PROJECTION: LOUISIANA SOUTH
GRID UNITS: US SURVEY FEET

SCALE
IN FEET 0 2,000'

Job No.: 04-0814

Date: 3/9/04

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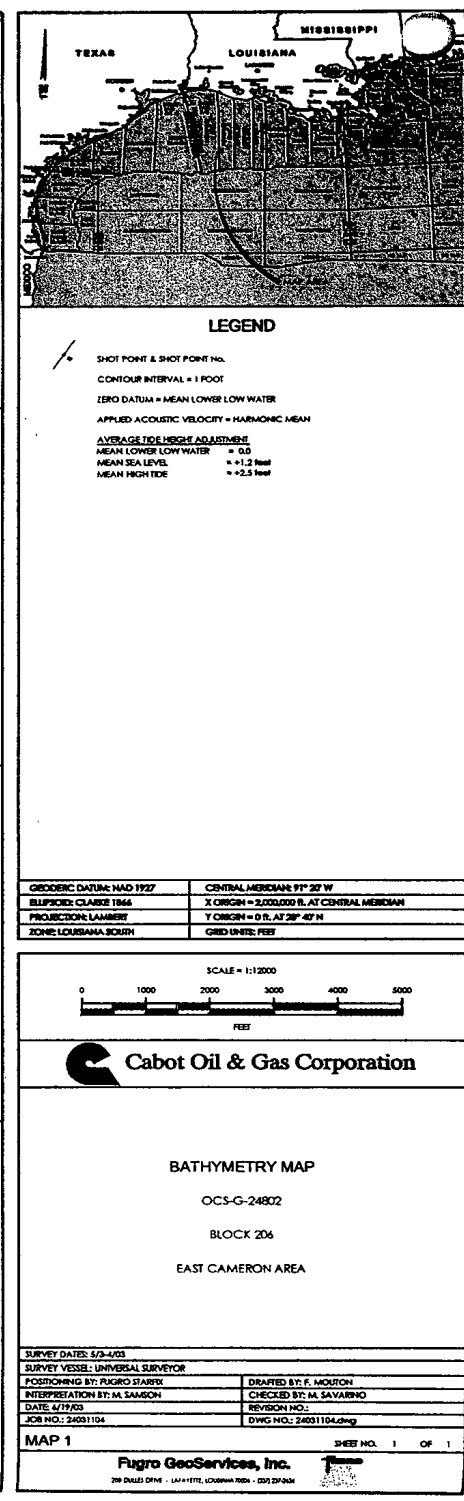
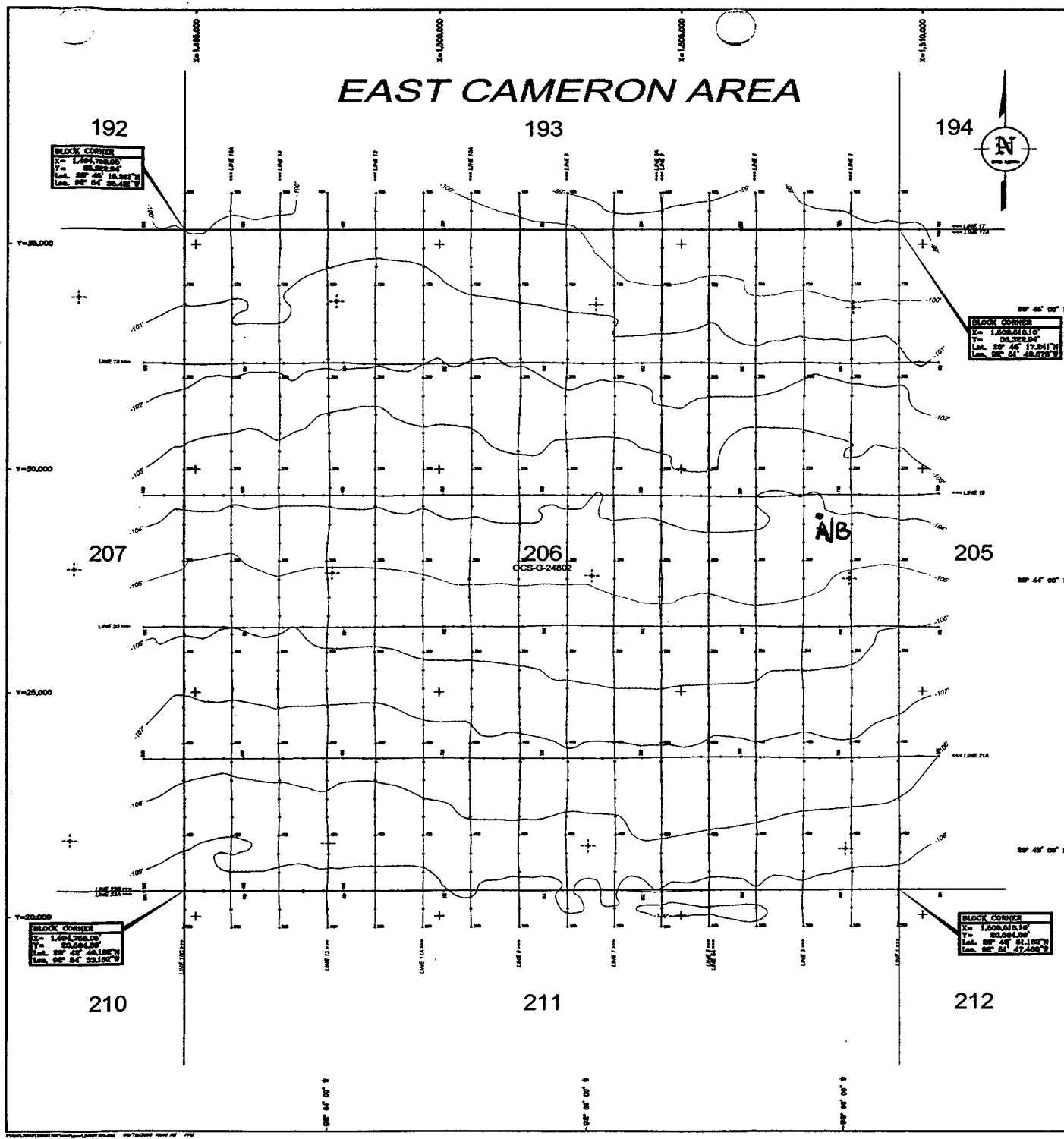
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Bathymetry Map

**Attachment A-4
(Public Information)**



SECTION B

General Information - Continued

E. Onshore Base and Support Vessels

The proposed surface disturbance in East Cameron Block 206 will be located approximately 70 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline, and approximately 72 miles from the onshore support base to be located in Cameron, Louisiana.

Cabot will use an existing onshore base to accomplish the following routine operations:

- Loading/Offloading point for equipment supporting the offshore operations,
- Dispatching personnel and equipment, and does not anticipate the need for any expansion of the selected facilities as a result of the activities proposed in this Plan,
- Temporary storage for materials and equipment
- 24-Hour Dispatcher

Personnel involved in the proposed operations will typically use their own vehicles as transportation to and from the selected onshore base; whereas the selected vendors will transport the equipment by a combination of trucks, boats and/or helicopters to the onshore base. The personnel and equipment will then be transported to the drilling rig via the transportation methods and frequencies shown below, taking the most direct route feasible as mandated by weather and traffic conditions:

Support Vessel	Drilling and Completion Trips Per Week
Crew Boat	4
Supply Boat	5
Helicopter	3

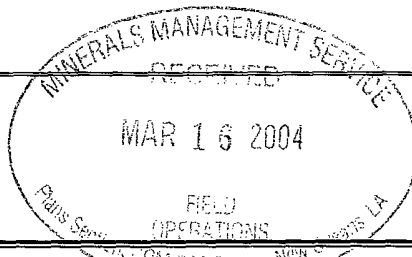
The proposed operations are temporary in nature and do not require any immediate action to acquire additional land, expand existing base facilities.

A Vicinity Plat showing the surface location in East Cameron Block 206 relative to the shoreline and onshore base is included as *Attachment B-1*.

F. Lease Stipulations

Under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, the Minerals Management Service is charged with the responsibility of managing and regulating the exploration and development on the OCS.

As part of the regulatory process, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is prepared for each lease sale, at which time mitigation measures are addressed in the form of lease stipulations, which then become part of the oil and gas lease terms and are therefore enforceable as part of that lease.



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SECTION B

General Information - Continued

As part of this process, the designated operator proposing to conduct related exploratory and development activities, must review the applicable lease stipulations, as well as other special conditions, which may be imposed by the Minerals Management Service, and other governing agencies.

Lease OCS-G 24802, East Cameron Block 206 is subject to the following such stipulation and conditions:

Military Warning Area

The hold and save harmless section of the Military Areas Stipulation serves to protect the U.S. Government from liability in the event of an accident involving the designated oil and gas lease operator and military activities.

The electromagnetic emissions section of the stipulation requires the operator and its agents to reduce and curtail the use of radio or other equipment emitting electromagnetic energy within some areas.

This serves to reduce the impact of oil and gas activity on the communications of military missions and reduces the possible effects of electromagnetic energy transmissions on missile testing, tracking, and detonation.

The operational section requires notification to the military of oil and gas activity to take place within a military use area. This allows the base commander to plan military missions and maneuvers that may avoid the areas where oil and gas activities are taking place or to schedule around these activities. Prior notification helps reduce the potential impacts associated with vessels and helicopters traveling unannounced through areas where military activities are underway.

The Military Areas Stipulation reduces potential impacts, particularly in regards to safety, but does not reduce or eliminate the actual physical presence of oil and gas operations in areas where military operations are conducted.

The reduction in potential impacts resulting from this stipulation makes multiple-use conflicts most unlikely. Without the stipulation, some potential conflict is likely. The best indicator of the overall effectiveness of the stipulation may be that there has never been an accident involving a conflict between military operations and oil and gas activities.

The proposed surface disturbance in East Cameron Block 206 is located within Military Warning Areas W-59 BC and W147 AB. Therefore, in accordance with the requirements of the referenced stipulation, Cabot will contact the Naval Air Station-JRB and the 147th Fighter Group in order to coordinate and control the electromagnetic emissions during the proposed operations.

SECTION B

General Information - Continued

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SECTION B

General Information - Continued

Marine Protected Species

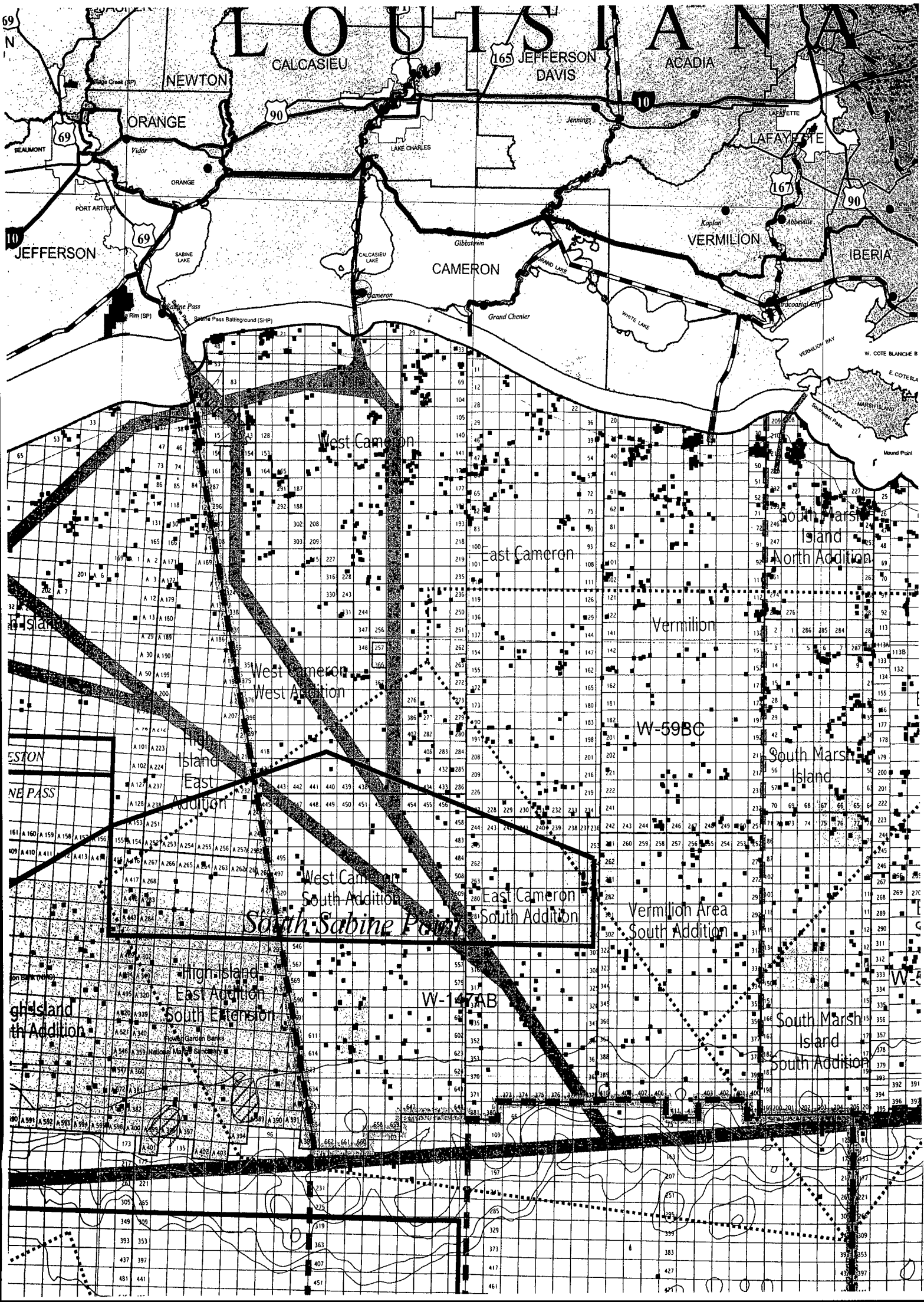
Lease Stipulation No. 6 is to reference measures to minimize or avoid potential adverse impacts to protected species (sea turtles, marine mammals, gulf sturgeon, and other federally protected species). MMS has issued Notice to Lessees NTL 2004-G01 "Implementation of Seismic Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program", NTL 2003-G10 "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protected Species Reporting" and NTL 2003-G11 "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination".

Special Conditions

The proposed surface disturbance activities in East Cameron Block 206 will not be affected by any special conditions and/or multiple uses, such as designated shipping/anchorage areas, lightering zones, rigs-to-reef zone, and ordnance disposal zones.

Vicinity Plat

**Attachment B-1
(Public Information)**



SECTION C

Geological, Geophysical & H2S Information

A. Structure Contour Maps

Included as *Attachment C-1* are current structure maps (depth base and expressed in feet subsea) depicting the entire lease coverage area; drawn on the top of each prospective hydrocarbon sand. The map depicts each proposed bottom hole location and applicable geological cross section.

B. Interpreted Deep Seismic Lines

Included as *Attachment C-2* (original copy only) is a page size copy of the migrated and annotated (shot point, time lines, well paths) of the deep seismic line within 500 feet of the surface location.

C. Geological Structure Cross Sections

An interpreted geological cross section depicting the proposed well locations and depth of the proposed wells is included as *Attachment C-3*. Such cross section corresponds to each seismic line being submitted.

D. Shallow Hazards Report

Fugro GeoServices, Inc. conducted a high resolution geophysical survey in East Cameron Block 206 during May 2003 on behalf of Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation. The purpose of the survey was to evaluate geologic conditions and inspect for potential hazards or constraints to lease development.

Three (3) copies of these reports are being submitted to the Minerals Management Service under separate cover.

E. Shallow Hazards Assessment

A shallow hazards analysis has been prepared for the proposed surface location, evaluating seafloor and subsurface geologic and manmade features and conditions, and is included as *Attachment C-4*.

F. High Resolution Seismic Lines

Included as *Attachment C-5* (original copy only) is a copy of the annotated high resolution survey data lines for the surface location disturbance proposed in this Plan.

SECTION C

Geological, Geophysical & H2S Information - Continued

G. Stratigraphic Column

A generalized biostratigraphic/lithostratigraphic column from the seafloor to the total depth of the proposed wells is included as *Attachment C-6*.

H. Time vs. Depth Tables

A time versus depth table is included as *Attachment C-7*.

I. Hydrogen Sulfide Classification

In accordance with Title 30 CFR 250.490, Cabot requests that East Cameron Block 206 be classified by the Minerals Management Service as an area where the absence of hydrogen sulfide has been confirmed based on the following well which was drilled to the stratigraphic equivalent of the wells proposed in this Plan:

<i>Lease</i>	<i>Area/Block</i>	<i>Well No.</i>
OCS-G 16253	EC 224	001

Structure Maps

**Attachment C-1
(Proprietary Information)**

Deep Seismic Lines

Attachment C-2
(Proprietary Information)

Original Copy Only

Cross Section Maps

**Attachment C-3
(Proprietary Information)**

Shallow Hazards Assessment

**Attachment C-4
(Public Information)**

FUGRO GEOSERVICES, INC.



March 9, 2004

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Houston, TX 77077-1607

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Lafayette, LA 70506
Main: 337-237-2636
Fax : 337-268-3221

Attention: Mr. Greg Aggon

**Re: Exploration Plan – Site Clearance Letter
Proposed "A" and "B" Well Surface Location
Block 206 (OCS-G-24802)
East Cameron Area, Gulf of Mexico**

Mr. Aggon:

Fugro GeoServices, Inc. was contracted by Cabot Oil and Gas Corporation to assess seafloor and subbottom conditions at the proposed "A" and "B" well surface location in Block 206, East Cameron Area (EC). The survey area lies within the Louisiana South coordinate system. This letter is intended to address specific seafloor and subbottom conditions within 1,000 feet of the location. The proposed surface location has been projected on the Bathymetry Map and Archeological and Hazard Map from the original June 2003 report.

Introduction

NTL-98-20 and NTL-2002-G01 stipulate that analysis of potential cultural resources and hazards for Exploration Plans (EP's) may be made from available geophysical and geological data. The proposed surface location is located within coverage provided by the recently completed Archeological and Hazard Survey of Block 206, East Cameron Area, performed for Cabot Oil and Gas Corporation in June 2003.

The May 2003 Survey was acquired aboard the *M/V Universal Surveyor* during May 3 - 4, 2003, using a 300-meter trackline spacing to insure 100% coverage with the sonar system. Sea states during data acquisition were 1 to 3 feet and winds ranged from 5 to 10 knots. Horizontal positioning of the survey vessel was accomplished with the FUGRO STARFIX[®] Differential Global Positioning System, which has a field accuracy of ± 3 meters. Geophysical instruments used during the survey included an EdgeTech 260 Side Scan Sonar, SeaSpy Proton Magnetometer, O.R.E. Subbottom Profiler, S.S.I. Air Gun, and Odom Echotrac bathymetric system. The survey grid consisted of 16 north-south primary tracklines (Lines 1 - 16) spaced 300 meters (~984 feet) apart and 6 tielines (Lines 17 - 21, and 23) spaced 900 meters (2,953 feet) apart. There was no line number 22. In order to ensure high record quality Lines 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 21, and 23, required reruns. The rerun lines were assigned the same line number as the original line followed by the letter suffix "A" designating the first rerun, and the letters "B" and "C" for subsequent reruns when necessary. Navigational fixes (shot points) were recorded at 12.5-meter intervals along all survey lines and annotated at 125-meter interval on the enclosed maps. The final report was prepared in June of 2003 by Michael Samson, Project Geologist and Mark A. Melancon, Marine Archeologist.

All aspects of the survey and this Exploration Plan follow current Minerals Management Service Guidelines. The following hazard and cultural resources analysis was determined from the prior interpretations and related maps, tables, and figures. Cabot Oil and Gas Corporation proposes to drill the "A" well and "B" well from the same surface location in the southeast portion of EC 206.

6,030.00' FSL, 1,420.00' FEL
X = 1,508,096.10', Y = 26,594.90'
Latitude: 28° 43' 50.660"N; Longitude: 92° 52' 04.309"W



Geological Interpretation

- ◆ Harmonic mean velocities were calculated from the velocimeter readings acquired during the survey and were applied to each datum in order to convert record time to feet below sea level. Tidal variations projected for Mermentau River Entrance were also utilized to adjust the bathymetric reading to the Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) tide level for the area. The water depth at the proposed location is approximately 105 feet MLLW.
- ◆ The seafloor displays a near-uniform slope to the south with a gradient of 3 feet/mile (0.03°). The side scan sonar records exhibit a predominantly smooth seafloor with low to moderate reflectivity.
- ◆ Bottom sediments were reported to consist of a mixture of clayey sand (Minerals Management Service, Visual No. 3, 1983). McClelland (1979) reported shear strengths of near seafloor soils within the study area range: 100 lbs./sq.ft. (very soft) at the seafloor; granular at 20 feet below seafloor in the eastern portion and 800 to 1,000 lbs./sq.ft. (firm to stiff) in the western two-thirds; granular at 40 feet below seafloor across the northeast corner area and 1,000 to 1,200 lbs./sq.ft. (firm to stiff) across the majority of the block; 900 lbs./sq.ft. (firm) at 60 feet below seafloor; and 1,300 to 1,400 lbs./sq.ft. (firm) from 80 to 150 feet below seafloor. The sediment composition and shear strength values were derived from regional studies, and variations may exist within Block 206.
- ◆ Shallow pinger reflectors are parallel to the seafloor. One fault was seen on the pinger records 550 feet northeast of the proposed location. The strike of the fault is northwest-southeast, dip is to the northeast. The proposed "A" and "B" Surface Location is on the upthrown side of the fault and thus, will not be intersected by the fault. This fault was discernable on the analog air gun records, however, possible additional faulting was not interpretable due to limited record quality resulting from shallow multiple reflections. A close inspection of available high-resolution, processed 2D and/or 3D high resolution seismic data in the vicinity of the proposed site is recommended.
- ◆ No man-made features are reported within 1,000 feet of the proposed site.
- ◆ No unidentified magnetic anomalies were seen within 1,000 feet of the proposed surface location.
- ◆ No side scan sonar contacts were observed within 1,000 feet of the proposed surface location.
- ◆ No buried channels were seen within 1,000 feet of the proposed site

Archeological Assessment

- ◆ Block 206 is in an area of high probability for prehistoric cultural resources (USDI MMS 2002). The regional probability for shipwrecks in this area is considered to be moderate to good; preservation of a wreck would be high (Garrison et al. 1989). Analyses of available shipwreck sources, as well as the FUGRO CHANCE database, indicate that no shipwrecks have been reported within the survey area.
- ◆ No unidentified side scan sonar contacts are recorded within 1,000 feet of the proposed location. In this area, the seafloor is stable with little recent deposition, and any wreckage would most likely be exposed on the seafloor, even if depicted as an area of anomalous sediment texture.
- ◆ Two Late Pleistocene channel segments were observed on the pinger profiles. The channel segments are within 3 feet of the seafloor and located: 1,300 feet to the southeast; and 1,700 feet to the northeast of the Proposed "A" and "B" Location. Associated well operations including anchor pattern deployment should not impact the 50-foot avoidance zones surrounding these channel margins as illustrated on the enclosed Archeological and Hazard Map.
- ◆ It is possible that small features representing high probability areas for prehistoric archeological sites and historic shipwreck materials may not be detected by the geophysical instruments or may not be detected during interpretation of the data. If evidence of prehistoric or historic cultural remains is encountered during subsequent work, all activity in that area should be halted, and an avoidance zone for further work in that area should be established. The archeologists at the U.S. Department of the



Interior Minerals Management Service in New Orleans should be notified immediately to ascertain the possible cultural significance of the feature encountered.

Conclusions

Based on the previous interpretation, the proposed "A" and "B" surface location is clear of any significant cultural resources, debris or obstacles to drilling activities. Caution should be excised when working within the vicinity of the nearby channel boundaries and unidentified magnetic anomalies. For additional information, please refer to the June 2003 Report.

Thank you, and please call me directly (337-268-3246) if you have any questions or would like to receive additional information.

Sincerely,

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Michael R. Samson
Project Geologist

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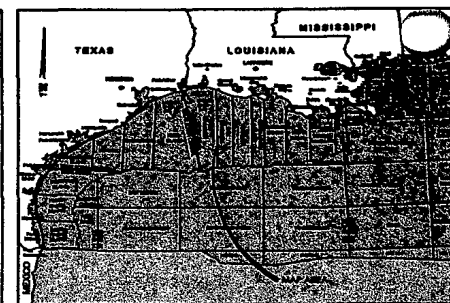
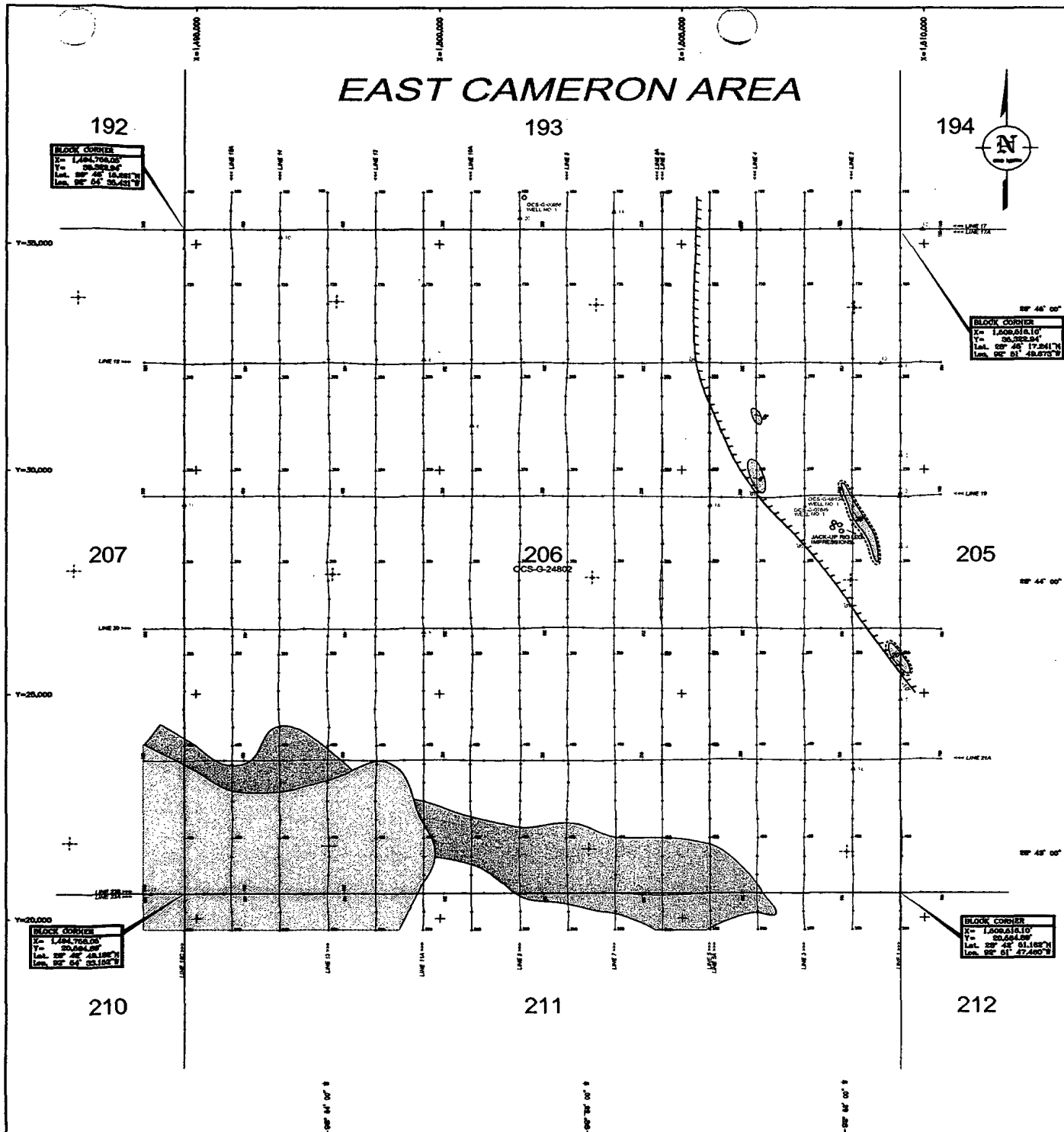
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EAST CAMERON AREA



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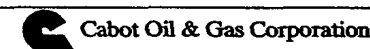
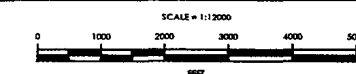
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- UNIDENTIFIED MAGNETIC ANOMALY WITH REFERENCE NUMBER (MINIMUM AVOIDANCE BOUNDARY WHERE APPLICABLE)
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- HATCHURES ON DOWNTHROW SIDE
- FIRST GENERATION CHANNEL, 55-57 FEET BELOW SEAFLOOR
- SECOND GENERATION CHANNEL, LESS THAN 3 FEET BELOW SEAFLOOR
- THALWEGS WHERE DISCERNIBLE
- (MINIMUM AVOIDANCE BOUNDARY WHERE APPLICABLE)

UNIDENTIFIED MAGNETIC ANOMALIES

ANOMALY	LINE	BEARING	X COORDINATE	Y COORDINATE	ANOMALY	LINE	BEARING	X COORDINATE	Y COORDINATE
1	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	11	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00
2	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	12	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00
3	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	13	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00
4	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	14	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00
5	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	15	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00
6	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	16	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00
7	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	17	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00
8	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	18	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00
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10	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00	20	10A	89° 45' 48.88" N	1494700.00	50484.00

--- IMPORTANT: PLEASE NOTE ---
ANY COMMUNICATION AND/OR POWER CABLES THAT MAY BE PRESENT IN THE AREA CANNOT BE LOCATED BY INSTRUMENTS UTILIZED DURING THIS SURVEY. INQUIRIES SHOULD BE MADE TO INTERESTED PARTIES AS TO THE PRESENCE OF SUCH OBSTRUCTIONS.

GEODETIC DATUM: NAD 1927	CENTRAL MERIDIAN: 91° 27' W
ELLIPSOID: CLARKE 1866	X ORIGIN = 2,000,000 FT. AT CENTRAL MERIDIAN
PROJECTION: LAMBERT	Y ORIGIN = 0 FT. AT 38° 40' N
ZONE: LOUISIANA SOUTH	GRID UNITS: FEET



ARCHEOLOGICAL & HAZARD MAP

OCS-G-24802

BLOCK 206

EAST CAMERON AREA

SURVEY DATES: 5/3-4/03	
SURVEY VESSEL: UNIVERSAL SURVEYOR	
POSITIONING BY: FUGRO STARRK	DRAWN BY: F. MCUTCH
INTERPRETATION BY: M. SANCIN	CHECKED BY: M. SANCIN
DATE: 6/19/03	REVISION NO.:
JOB NO.: 24031104	DWG NO.: 24031104.dwg

Shallow Hazards Lines

**Attachment C-5
(Proprietary Information)**

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Stratigraphic Column

**Attachment C-6
(Proprietary Information)**

Time vs. Depth Table

Attachment C-7
(Proprietary Information)

SECTION D

Biological and Physical Information

A. Chemosynthetic Information

The proposed seafloor disturbing activities are in water depths less than 400 meters (1312 feet); therefore, this section of the Plan is not applicable.

B. Topographic Features Information

MMS and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) have entered into a programmatic consultation agreement for Essential Fish Habitat that requires that no bottom disturbing activities, including anchors or cables from a semi-submersible drilling rig, may occur within 500 feet of the no-activity zone of a topographic feature. If such proposed bottom disturbing activities are within 500 feet of a no activity zone, the MMS is required to consult with the NMFS.

The activities proposed in this Plan are not affected by a topographic feature.

C. Live Bottom (Pinnacle Trend) Information

Certain leases are located in areas characterized by the existence of live bottoms. Live bottom areas are defined as seagrass communities; those areas that contain biological assemblages consisting of sessile invertebrates living upon and attached to naturally occurring hard or rocky formations with rough, broken, or smooth topography; and areas where the lithotope favors the accumulation of turtles, fishes, or other fauna. These leases contain a Live Bottom Stipulation to ensure that impacts from nearby oil and gas activities on these live bottom areas are mitigated to the greatest extent possible.

For each affected lease, the Live Bottom Stipulation requires that you prepare a live bottom survey report containing a bathymetry map prepared by using remote sensing techniques. This report must be submitted to the Gulf of Mexico OCS Region (GOMR) before you may conduct any drilling activities or install any structure, including lease term pipelines in accordance with NTL 99-G16.

East Cameron Block 206 is not located within the vicinity of a proposed live bottom area.

D. Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV Surveys)

Pursuant to NTL No. 2003-G03, operators may be required to conduct remote operated vehicle (ROV) surveys during pre-spudding and post-drilling operations for the purpose of biological and physical observations.

East Cameron Block 206 is not located within an area where ROV Surveys are required.

SECTION D

Biological and Physical Information-Continued

E. Archaeological Reports

In conjunction with this geophysical survey, an archaeological survey and report was also prepared to comply with the requirements of NTL 2002-G01, as East Cameron Block 206 is located within a high probability pre-historic area for potential archaeological resources.

This requirement provides protection of prehistoric and historic archaeological resources by requiring remote sensing surveys in areas designated to have a high probability for archaeological resources.

The archaeological report is included in the Shallow Hazards Report being submitted under separate cover to the Minerals Management Service.

SECTION E

Wastes and Discharge/Disposal Information

The Minerals Management Service (MMS), U. S. Coast Guard (USCG) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulate the overboard discharge and/or disposal of operational waste associated with drilling, completing, testing and/or production operations from oil and gas exploration and production activities.

Minerals Management Service regulations contained in Title 30 CFR 250.300 require operators to "prevent the unauthorized discharge of pollutants into offshore waters". These same regulations prohibit the intentional disposal of "equipment, cables, chains, containers, or other materials" offshore. Small items must be stored and transported in clearly marked containers and large objects must be individually marked. Additionally, items lost overboard must be recorded in the facility's daily log and reported to MMS as appropriate.

U. S. Coast Guard regulations implement the Marine Pollution Research and Control Act (MARPOL) of 1987 requiring manned offshore rigs, platforms and associated vessels prohibit the dumping of all forms of solid waste at sea with the single exception of ground food wastes, which can be discharged if the facility is beyond 12 nautical miles from the nearest shore. This disposal ban covers all forms of solid waste including plastics, packing material, paper, glass, metal, and other refuse. These regulations also require preparation, monitoring and record keeping requirements for garbage generated on board these facilities. The drilling contractor must maintain a Waste Management Plan, in addition to preparation of a Daily Garbage Log for the handling of these types of waste. MODU's are equipped with bins for temporary storage of certain garbage. Other types of waste, such as food, may be discharged overboard if the discharge can pass through 25-millimeter type mesh screen. Prior to off loading and/or overboard disposal, an entry will be made in the Daily Garbage Log stating the approximate volume, the date of action, name of the vessel, and destination point.

U. S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations address the disposal of oil and gas operational wastes under three Federal Acts. The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) which provides a framework for the safe disposal of discarded materials, regulating the management of solid and hazardous wastes. The direct disposal of operational wastes into offshore waters is limited under the authority of the Clean Water Act. And, when injected underground, oil and gas operational wastes are regulated by the Underground Injection Control program. If any wastes are classified as hazardous, they are to be properly transported using a uniform hazardous waste manifest, documented, and disposed at an approved hazardous waste facility.

A National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, based on effluent limitation guidelines, is required for any discharges into offshore waters. Cabot has requested coverage under the Region VI NPDES General Permit GMG290000 for discharges associated with exploration and development activities in East Cameron Block 206 and will take applicable steps to ensure all offshore discharges associated with the proposed operations will be conducted in accordance with the permit.

SECTION E

Wastes and Discharge/Disposal Information-Continued

A. Composition of Solid and Liquid Wastes

The major operational solid waste in the largest quantities generated from the proposed operations will be the drill cuttings, drilling and/or completion fluids. Other associated wastes include waste chemicals, cement wastes, sanitary and domestic waste, trash and debris, ballast water, storage displacement water, rig wash and deck drainage, hydraulic fluids, used oil, oily water and filters, and other miscellaneous minor discharges.

These wastes are generated into categories, being solid waste (trash and debris), nonhazardous oilfield waste (drilling fluids, nonhazardous waste including cement and oil filters), and hazardous wastes (waste paint or thinners).

The type of discharges included in this permit application allow for the following effluents to be discharged overboard, subject to certain limitations, prohibitions and recordkeeping requirements.

Overboard Discharges

In accordance with NTL 2003-G17, overboard discharges generated by the activities are not required for submittal in this Plan.

Disposed Wastes

The wastes detailed in *Attachment E-1* are those wastes generated by our proposed activities that are disposed of by means of offsite release, injection, encapsulation, or placement at either onshore or offshore permitted locations for the purpose of returning them back to the environment.

Cabot will manifest these wastes prior to being offloaded from the MODU, and transported to shore for disposal at approved sites regulated by the applicable State. Additionally, Cabot will comply with any approvals or reporting and recordkeeping requirements imposed by the State where ultimate disposal will occur.

Waste & Discharge Tables

Attachment E-1
(Public Information)

Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation
East Cameron Block 206
Examples of Wastes and Discharges Information

Table 1. Disposal Table (Wastes to be disposed of, not discharged)

Type of Waste Approximate Composition	Amount*	Rate per day	Name/Location of Disposal Facility	Treatment and/or Storage, Transport and Disposal Method
Spent oil-based drilling fluids and cuttings	1,000 bbl/well	200 bbl/day	Newpark Environmental Cameron, LA	Transport to shore in barge tanks to a land farm
Spent synthetic- based drilling fluids and cuttings	1,000 bbl/well	200 bbl/day	Newpark Environmental Cameron, LA	Transport to shore base in cuttings boxes on crew boat then inject down hole at offshore waste disposal facility
Oil-contaminated produced sand	200 lb/yr	0.6 bbl/day	Newpark Environmental Cameron, LA	Store in a cuttings box and transport to a land farm
Waste Oil	200 bbl/yr	0.5 bbl/yr	Newpark Environmental Cameron, LA	Pack in drums and transported to an onshore Incineration site
Norm – contaminated wastes	1 ton	Not applicable	East Cameron Block 206	Transport to a transfer station via dedicated barge
Trash and debris	1,000 ft ³	3 ft ³ /day	Newpark Environmental Cameron, LA	Transport in storage bins on crew boat to disposal facility
Chemical product wastes	50 bbl/yr	2 bbl/day	Newpark Environmental Cameron, LA	Transport in containers to shore location
Chemical product wastes	100 bbl	2 bbl/day	Newpark Environmental Cameron, LA	Transport in barrels on crew boat to shore location

*can be expressed as a volume, weight, or rate

SECTION F

Oil Spill Response and Chemical Information

A. Regional Oil Spill Response Plan (OSRP) Information

Effective August 19, 2003 Minerals Management Service approved Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation's (Cabot's) Regional Oil Spill Response Plan (OSRP). Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation is the only entity covered under this OSRP. Activities proposed in this Initial Exploration Plan will be covered by the Regional OSRP.

B. Oil Spill Removal Organizations (OSRO)

Cabot utilizes Clean Gulf Associates (CGA) as its primary provider for equipment, which is an industry cooperative owning an inventory of oil spill clean-up equipment. CGA is supported by the Marine Spill Response Corporation's (MSRC), which is responsible for storing, inspecting, maintaining and dispatching CGA's equipment. The MSRC STARS network provides for the closest available personnel, as well as an MSRC supervisor to operate the equipment.

C. Worst-Case Scenario Comparison (WCD)

<i>Category</i>	<i>Current Regional OSRP WCD</i>	<i>Proposed Exploration Plan WCD</i>
Type of Activity	Drilling/Completion/Testing	Drilling/Completion/Testing
Facility Surface Location	Eugene Island Block 277	East Cameron Block 206
Facility Description	Jack-Up Rig	Jack-Up Rig
Distance to Nearest Shoreline (Miles)	55	70
Volume: Storage Tanks (total) Facility Piping (total) Lease Term Pipeline Uncontrolled Blowout (day) Potential 24 Hour Volume (Bbls.)	1050	60
Type of Liquid Hydrocarbon	Condensate	Condensate
API Gravity	45°	48°

SECTION F

Oil Spill Response and Chemical Information-Continued

Due to the estimated flow rates from an exploratory well blowout are speculative and temporary in nature, Cabot will not modify their Regional OSRP to change the WCD.

Since Cabot has the capability to respond to the worst-case discharge (WCD) spill scenario included in its Regional OSRP approved on August 19, 2003, and since the worst-case scenario determined for our EP does not replace the worst-case scenario in our Regional OSRP, I hereby certify that Cabot has the capability to respond, to the maximum extent practicable, to a worst-case discharge, or a substantial threat of such a discharge, resulting from the activities proposed in our EP.

D. Facility Tanks, Production Vessels

The following table details the *tanks* (capacity greater than 25 bbls. or more) to be used to support the proposed activities (MODU and barges):

Type of Storage Tank	Type of Facility	Tank Capacity (bbls)	Number of Tanks	Total Capacity (bbls)	Fluid Gravity (API)
Fuel Oil	MODU	250	2	500	38° (Diesel)

E. Spill Response Sites

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

F. Diesel Oil Supply Vessels

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

G. Support Vessel Fuel Tanks

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

H. Produced Liquid Hydrocarbon Transportation Vessels

Cabot is proposing to conduct well testing operations on the proposed well locations. This process will include flaring the produced gas hydrocarbons and burning the liquid hydrocarbons.

I. Oil and Synthetic-Based Drilling Fluids

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

J. Oil Characteristics

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

SECTION F

Oil Spill Response and Chemical Information (Continued)

I. Blowout Scenario

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

L. Spill Discussion for NEPA Analysis

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

M. Pollution Prevention Measures

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

N. FGBNMS Monitoring Plans

According to NTL 2003-G17, this section of the Plan is not applicable to the proposed operations.

SECTION G

Air Emissions Information

The primary air pollutants associated with OCS exploration activities are:

- Carbon Monoxide
- Particulate Matter
- Sulphur Oxides
- Nitrogen Oxides
- Volatile Organic Compounds

These offshore air emissions result mainly from the drilling rig operations, helicopters, and support vessels. These emissions occur mainly from combustion or burning of fuels and natural gas and from venting or evaporation of hydrocarbons. The combustion of fuels occurs primarily on diesel-powered generators, pumps or motors and from lighter fuel motors. Other air emissions can result from catastrophic events such as oil spills or blowouts.

A. Calculating Emissions

Included as *Attachment G-1* is the Projected Air Quality Emissions Report (Form MMS-138) for Plan Emissions addressing drilling, potential completion and testing operations utilizing a typical jack-up drilling unit, with related support vessels and construction barge information.

B. Screening Questions

As evidenced by *Attachment G-1*, the worksheets were completed based on flaring and burning operations.

C. Emission Reduction Measures

The projected air emissions are within the exemption level; therefore, no emission reduction measures are being proposed.

D. Verification of Non-Default Emissions Factors

Cabot has elected to use the default emission factors as provided in *Attachment G-1*.

E. Non-Exempt Activities

The proposed activities are within the exemption amount as provided in *Attachment G-1*.

SECTION G

Air Emissions Information-Continued

F. Review of Activities with Emissions Below the Exemption Level

The proposed activities are below the exemption amount and should not affect the air quality of an onshore area, as provided in *Attachment G-1*.

G. Modeling Report

The proposed activities are below the exemption amount and should not affect the air quality of an onshore area.

Air Quality Emissions Report

**Attachment G-1
(Public Information)**

EXPLORATION PLAN (EP)
AIR QUALITY SCREENING CHECKLIST

OMB Control No. 1010-0049
OMB Approval Expires: September 30, 2003

COMPANY	Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation
AREA	East Cameron
BLOCK	206
LEASE	OCS-G 24802
RIG	Jack-Up
WELL	A & B
COMPANY CONTACT	Christine Groth, R.E.M. Solutions, Inc.
TELEPHONE NO.	281.492.8562
REMARKS	Drill, complete and potentially test Well Locations A and B.

EMISSIONS CALCULATIONS 1ST YEAR

COMPANY	AREA	BLOCK	LEASE	PLATFORM	WELL		CONTACT	PHONE	REMARKS							
Cabot Oil & Gas Corp	East Cameron	206	OCS-G 24802	Jack-Up	A & B		Christine Groth, R.E.M. Solution	281.492.8562								
OPERATIONS	EQUIPMENT	RATING	MAX. FUEL	ACT. FUEL	RUN TIME		MAXIMUM POUNDS PER HOUR					ESTIMATED TONS				
	Diesel Engines	HP	GAL/HR	GAL/D												
	Nat. Gas Engines	HP	SCF/HR	SCF/D												
	Burners	MMBTU/HR	SCF/HR	SCF/D	HR/D	DAYS	PM	SOx	NOx	VOC	CO	PM	SOx	NOx	VOC	CO
DRILLING	PRIME MOVER>600hp diesel	11400	550.62	13214.88	24	123	8.04	36.86	276.21	8.29	60.26	11.86	54.41	407.69	12.23	88.95
	PRIME MOVER>600hp diesel	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	PRIME MOVER>600hp diesel	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	PRIME MOVER>600hp diesel	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	BURNER diesel	0			0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	AUXILIARY EQUIP<600hp diese	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS>600hp diesel(crew)	2065	99.7395	2393.75	8	70	1.46	6.68	50.03	1.50	10.92	0.41	1.87	14.01	0.42	3.06
	VESSELS>600hp diesel(supply)	2065	99.7395	2393.75	10	87	1.46	6.68	50.03	1.50	10.92	0.63	2.90	21.76	0.65	4.75
VESSELS>600hp diesel(tugs)	4200	202.86	4868.64	12	2	2.96	13.58	101.76	3.05	22.20	0.04	0.16	1.22	0.04	0.27	
FACILITY INSTALLATION	DERRICK BARGE diese	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	MATERIAL TUG diesel	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS>600hp diesel(crew)	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	VESSELS>600hp diesel(supply)	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	MISC. TANK-	BPD	SCF/HR	COUNT												
		0			0	0				0.00					0.00	
DRILLING WELL TEST	OIL BURN	250			24	4	4.38	71.15	20.83	0.10	2.19	0.21	3.42	1.00	0.00	0.11
	GAS FLARE		208333.33		24	4		0.12	14.87	12.56	80.94		0.01	0.71	0.60	3.88
2004 YEAR TOTAL							18.28	135.07	513.75	27.01	187.42	13.15	62.77	446.40	13.94	101.01
EXEMPTION CALCULATION	DISTANCE FROM LAND IN MILES											2331.00	2331.00	2331.00	2331.00	57748.97
	70.0															

Screening Questions for EP's		Yes	No
Is any calculated Complex Total (CT) Emission amount (in tons associated with your proposed exploration activities more than 90% of the amounts calculated using the following formulas: $CT = 3400D^{2/3}$ for CO, and $CT = 33.3D$ for the other air pollutants (where D = distance to shore in miles)?			X
Does your emission calculations include any emission reduction measures or modified emission factors?			X
Are your proposed exploration activities located east of 87.5° W longitude?			X
Do you expect to encounter H ₂ S at concentrations greater than 20 parts per million (ppm)?			X
Do you propose to flare or vent natural gas for more than 48 continuous hours from any proposed well?		X	
Do you propose to burn produced hydrocarbon liquids?		X	

Air Pollutant	Plan Emission Amounts ¹ (tons)	Calculated Exemption Amounts ² (tons)	Calculated Complex Total Emission Amounts ³ (tons)
Carbon monoxide (CO)	101.01	57748.97	NA
Particulate matter (PM)	13.15	2331.00	NA
Sulphur dioxide (SO ₂)	62.77	2331.00	NA
Nitrogen oxides (NOx)	446.40	2331.00	NA
Volatile organic compounds (VOC)	13.94	2331.00	NA

¹ For activities proposed in your EP or DOCD, list the projected emissions calculated from the worksheets.

² List the exemption amounts in your proposed activities calculated using the formulas in 30 CFR 250.303(d).

³ List the complex total emissions associated with your proposed activities calculated from the worksheets.

SUMMARY

COMPANY	AREA	BLOCK	LEASE	PLATFORM	WELL
Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation	East Cameron	206	OCS-G 24802	Jack-Up	A & B
Year	Emitted Substance				
	PM	SOx	NOx	VOC	CO
2004	13.15	62.77	446.40	13.94	101.01
Allowable	2331.00	2331.00	2331.00	2331.00	57748.97

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A. IMPACT PRODUCING FACTORS (IPF'S)

The following matrix is utilized to identify the environmental resources that could be impacted by these IPF's. An "x" has been marked for each IPF category that Cabot has determined may impact a particular environmental resource as a result of the proposed activities. For those cells which are footnoted, a statement is provided as to the applicability of the proposed activities, and where there may be an effect, an analysis of the effect is provided.

Environmental Resources	Emissions (air, noise, light, etc.)	Effluents (muds, cuttings, other discharges to the water column or seafloor	Physical Disturbances To the seafloor (rig or anchor emplacement, etc.)	Wastes Sent to Shore for Treatment Or disposal	Accidents (e.g. oil spills, chemical spills, H2S releases)	Other IPF's identified
Site Specific at Offshore Location						
Designated topographic feature						
Pinnacle Trend area live bottoms						
Eastern Gulf live bottoms						
Chemosynthetic communities						
Water quality		X			X	
Fisheries		X			X	
Marine mammals	X	X			X	
Sea turtles	X	X			X	
Air quality						
Shipwreck sites (known or potential)						
Prehistoric archaeological sites						
Vicinity of Offshore Location						
Essential fish habitat					X	
Marine and pelagic birds					X	
Public health and safety						
Coastal and Onshore						
Beaches					X	
Wetlands					X	
Shorebirds and coastal nesting birds					X	
Coastal wildlife refuges					X	
Wilderness areas					X	
Other Resources						

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B. VICINITY OF OFFSHORE LOCATION ANALYSES

1. Designated Topographic Features

There are no anticipated effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and accidents from the proposed activities that could cause impacts to topographic features. The proposed surface disturbance within East Cameron Block 206 is located approximately 30 miles away from the closest designated topographic feature (Sonmier Bank). The crests of designated topographic features in the northern Gulf are found below 10 m. In the event of an accidental oil spill from the proposed activities, the gravity of such oil (high gravity condensate and/or diesel fuel) would rise to the surface, quickly dissipate, and/or be swept clear by the currents moving around the bank; thereby avoiding the sessile biota.

2. Pinnacle Trend Live Bottoms

There are no anticipated effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and accidents from the proposed activities that could cause impacts to a pinnacle trend area. The proposed surface disturbance within East Cameron Block 206 is located a significant distance (>100 miles) from the closest pinnacle trend live bottom stipulated block. The crests of the pinnacle trend area are much deeper than 20 m. In the event of an accidental oil spill from the proposed activities, the gravity of such oil (high gravity condensate and/or diesel fuel) would rise to the surface, quickly dissipate, and/or be swept clear by currents moving around the bank; and thus not impacting the pinnacles.

3. Eastern Gulf Live Bottoms

There are no anticipated effluents, physical disturbances to the seafloor, and accidents from the proposed activities that could cause impacts to Eastern Gulf live bottoms. The proposed surface disturbance within East Cameron Block 206 is located a significant distance (>100 miles) from the closest pinnacle Eastern Gulf live bottom stipulated block. In the event of an accidental oil spill from the proposed activities, the gravity of such oil (high gravity condensate and/or diesel fuel) would rise to the surface, quickly dissipate, and/or be swept clear by currents moving around the bank; and would not be expected to cause adverse impacts to Eastern Gulf live bottoms because of the depth of the features and dilutions of spills.

4. Chemosynthetic Communities

Water depths in East Cameron Block 206 range from 99 feet to 109 feet. Therefore, the proposed activities are not located within the vicinity of any known chemosynthetic communities, which typically occur in water depths greater than 400 meters.

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5. Water Quality

Accidental oil spill releases from the proposed activities, and cumulative similar discharge activity within the vicinity could potentially cause impacts to water quality. It is unlikely that an accidental oil spill release would occur from the proposed activities. In the event of such a release, the water quality would be temporarily affected by the dissolved components and small droplets. Currents and microbial degradation would remove the oil from the water column or dilute the constituents to background levels.

In the event of an unanticipated blowout resulting in an oil spill, it is unlikely to have an impact based on the industry wide standards for using proven equipment and technology for such responses, implementation of Cabot's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan which address available equipment and personnel, techniques for containment and recovery, and removal of the oil spill. Cabot will conduct the proposed activities under EPA's Region VI NPDES General Permit GMG290000 which authorizes the discharge of certain effluents, subject to certain limitations, prohibitions and recordkeeping requirements. As such, it is not anticipated these discharges will cause significant adverse impacts to water quality.

6. Fisheries

Accidental oil spill releases from the proposed activities, and cumulative similar discharge activity within the vicinity may potentially cause some detrimental effects on fisheries. It is unlikely a spill would occur; however, such a release in open waters closed to mobile adult finfish or shellfish would likely be sublethal and the extent of damage would be reduced to the capability of adult fish and shellfish to avoid a spill, to metabolize hydrocarbons, and to excrete both metabolites and parent compounds.

In the event of an unanticipated blowout resulting in an oil spill, it is unlikely to have an impact based on the industry wide standards for using proven equipment and technology for such responses, implementation of Cabot's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan which address available equipment and personnel, techniques for containment and recovery, and removal of the oil spill. Cabot will conduct the proposed activities under EPA's Region VI NPDES General Permit GMG290000 which authorizes the discharge of certain effluents, subject to certain limitations, prohibitions and recordkeeping requirements. As such, it is not anticipated these discharges will cause significant adverse impacts to water quality.

7. Marine Mammals

As a result of the proposed activities, marine mammals may be adversely impacted by traffic, noise, accidental oil spills, cumulative similar discharge activity, and loss of trash and debris. Chronic and sporadic sublethal effects could occur that may stress and/or weaken individuals of a local group or population and make them more susceptible to infection from natural or anthropogenic sources. Few lethal effects are expected from accidental oil spill, chance collisions with service vessels and ingestion of plastic material.

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The net results of any disturbance would depend on the size and percentage of the population affected, ecological importance of the disturbed area, environmental and biological parameters that influence an animal's sensitivity to disturbance and stress, and the accommodation time in response to prolonged disturbance (Geraci and St. Aubin, 1980). Collisions between cetaceans and ship could cause serious injury or death (Laist et al., 2001). Sperm whales are one of 11 whale species that are hit commonly by ships (Laist et al., 2001). Collisions between OCS vessels and cetaceans within the project area are expected to be unusual events.

In the event of an unanticipated blowout resulting in an oil spill, it is unlikely to have an impact based on the industry wide standards for using proven equipment and technology for such responses, implementation of Cabot's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan which address available equipment and personnel, techniques for containment and recovery, and removal of the oil spill. Cabot will conduct the proposed activities under EPA's Region VI NPDES General Permit GMG290000 which authorizes the discharge of certain effluents, subject to certain limitations, prohibitions and recordkeeping requirements. As such, it is not anticipated these discharges will cause significant adverse impacts to water quality. Additionally, Cabot and its contractors will conduct the proposed activities under the additional criteria addressed by MMS in Notice to Lessee's (NTL's) 2003-G10 "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protective Species" and NTL 2003-G11 "Marine Trash & Debris Awareness & Elimination".

8. Sea Turtles

As a result of the proposed activities, sea turtles may be adversely impacted by traffic, noise, accidental oil spills, cumulative similar discharges, and loss of trash and debris. Small numbers of turtles could be killed or injured by chance collision with service vessels or by eating indigestible trash, particularly plastic items accidentally lost from drilling rigs, production facilities and service vessels. Drilling rigs and project vessels (construction barges) produce noise that could disrupt normal behavior patterns and create some stress to sea turtles, making them more susceptible to disease. Accidental oil spill releases are potential threats which could have lethal effects on turtles. Contact and/or consumption of this released material could seriously affect individual sea turtles. Most OCS related impacts on sea turtles are expected to be sublethal. Chronic and/or avoidance of effected areas could cause declines in survival or productivity, resulting in gradual population declines.

In the event of an unanticipated blowout resulting in an oil spill, it is unlikely to have an impact based on the industry wide standards for using proven equipment and technology for such responses, implementation of Cabot's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan which address available equipment and personnel, techniques for containment and recovery, and removal of the oil spill. Cabot will conduct the proposed activities under EPA's Region VI NPDES General Permit GMG290000 which authorizes the discharge of certain effluents, subject to certain limitations, prohibitions and recordkeeping requirements.

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As such, it is not anticipated these discharges will cause significant adverse impacts to water quality. Additionally, Cabot and its contractors will conduct the proposed activities under the additional criteria addressed by MMS in Notice to Lessee's (NTL's) 2003-G10 "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protective Species" and NTL 2003-G11 "Marine Trash & Debris Awareness & Elimination".

9. Air Quality

The proposed activities are located approximately 70 miles to the nearest shoreline. There would be a limited degree of air quality degradation in the immediate vicinity of the proposed activities. Air quality analyses of the proposed activities are below the MMS exemption level.

10. Shipwreck Site (Known or Potential)

There are no physical disturbances to the seafloor which could impact known or potential shipwreck sites, as the review of high resolution shallow hazards data indicate there are no known or potential shipwreck sites located within the surveyed area.

11. Prehistoric Archaeological Sites

There are no physical disturbances to the seafloor which could cause impacts to prehistoric archaeological sites, as the review of high resolution shallow hazards data and supporting studies did not reflect the occurrence of prehistoric archaeological sites.

Site Specific Offshore Location Analyses

1. Essential Fish Habitat

An accidental oil spill that may occur as a result of the proposed activities has potential to cause some detrimental effects on essential fish habitat. It is unlikely that an accidental oil spill release would occur; however, if a spill were to occur in close proximity to finfish or shellfish, the effects would likely be sublethal and the extent of damage would be reduced to the capability of adult fish and shellfish to avoid a spill, to metabolize hydrocarbons, and to excrete both metabolites and parent compounds.

In the event of an unanticipated blowout resulting in an oil spill, it is unlikely to have an impact based on the industry wide standards for using proven equipment and technology for such responses, implementation of Cabot's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan which address available equipment and personnel, techniques for containment and recovery, and removal of the oil spill.

2. Marine and Pelagic Birds

An accidental oil spill that may occur as a result of the proposed activities has potential to impact marine and pelagic birds, by the birds coming into contact with the released oil. It is unlikely that an accidental oil spill release would occur.

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In the event of an unanticipated blowout resulting in an oil spill, it is unlikely to have an impact based on the industry wide standards for using proven equipment and technology for such responses, implementation of Cabot's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan which address available equipment and personnel, techniques for containment and recovery, and removal of the oil spill.

3. Public Health and Safety Due to Accidents

There are no anticipated IPF's from the proposed activities that could impact the public health and safety. Cabot has requested MMS approval to classify the proposed objective area as absent of hydrogen sulfide.

Coastal and Onshore Analyses

1. Beaches

An accidental oil spill release from the proposed activities could cause impacts to beaches. However, due to the distance from shore (approximately 70 miles), and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no significant adverse impacts are expected. Both historical spill data and the combined trajectory/risk calculations referenced in the publication of OCS EIA /EA MMS 2002-052 indicate there is little risk of contact or impact to the coastline and associated environmental resources.

In the event of an unanticipated blowout resulting in an oil spill, it is unlikely to have an impact based on the industry wide standards for using proven equipment and technology for such responses, implementation of Cabot's Regional Oil Spill Response Plan which address available equipment and personnel, techniques for containment and recovery, and removal of the oil spill.

2. Wetlands

An accidental oil spill release from the proposed activities could cause impacts to wetlands. However, due to the distance from shore (approximately 70 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no significant adverse impacts are expected. Both historical spill data and the combined trajectory/risk calculations referenced in the publication of OCS EIA /EA MMS 2002-052 indicate there is little risk of contact or impact to the coastline and associated environmental resources.

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3. Shore Birds and Coastal Nesting Birds

An accidental oil spill release from the proposed activities could cause impacts to shore birds and coastal nesting birds. However, due to the distance from shore (approximately 70 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no significant adverse impacts are expected. Both historical spill data and the combined trajectory/risk calculations referenced in the publication of OCS EIA /EA MMS 2002-052 indicate there is little risk of contact or impact to the coastline and associated environmental resources.

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4. Coastal Wildlife Refuges

An accidental oil spill release from the proposed activities could cause impacts to coastal wildlife refuges. However, due to the distance from shore (approximately 70 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no significant adverse impacts are expected. Both historical spill data and the combined trajectory/risk calculations referenced in the publication of OCS EIA /EA MMS 2002-052 indicate there is little risk of contact or impact to the coastline and associated environmental resources.

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5. Wilderness Areas

An accidental oil spill release from the proposed activities could cause impacts to wilderness areas. However, due to the distance from shore (approximately 70 miles) and the response capabilities that would be implemented, no significant adverse impacts are expected. Both historical spill data and the combined trajectory/risk calculations referenced in the publication of OCS EIA /EA MMS 2002-052 indicate there is little risk of contact or impact to the coastline and associated environmental resources.

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Other Identified Environmental Resources

Cabot has not identified any other environmental resources other than those addressed above.

Impacts on Proposed Activities

No impacts are expected on the proposed activities as a result of taking into consideration the site specific environmental conditions.

A High Resolution Shallow Hazards Survey was conducted, a report prepared in accordance with NTL 2002-G01 and NTL 98-20.

Based on the analysis of the referenced data, there are no surface or subsurface geological and manmade features and conditions that may adversely affect the proposed activities. Cabot will institute procedures to avoid pipelines and abandoned wells within the vicinity of the proposed operations.

Alternatives

Cabot did not consider any alternatives to reduce environmental impacts as a result of the proposed activities.

Mitigation Measures

Cabot will not implement any mitigation measures to avoid, diminish, or eliminate potential environmental resources, other than those required by regulation and policy.

Consultation

Cabot has not contacted any agencies or persons for consultation regarding potential impacts associated with the proposed activities. Therefore, a list of such entities is not being provided.

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References

The following documents were utilized in preparing the Environmental Impact Assessment:

<i>Document</i>	<i>Author</i>	<i>Dated</i>
Shallow Hazards Survey	Fugro GeoServices, Inc.	2003
MMS Environmental Impact Statement Report No. 2002-15	Minerals Management Service	2002
NTL 2003-N06 "Supplemental Bond Procedures"	Minerals Management Service	2003
NTL 2004-G01 "Implementation of Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program"	Minerals Management Service	2004
NTL 2003-G10 "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protective Species"	Minerals Management Service	2003
NTL 2003-G11 "Marine Trash & Debris Awareness & Elimination"	Minerals Management Service	2003
NTL 2002-G09 "Regional and Subregional Oil Spill Response Plans"	Minerals Management Service	2002
NTL 2003-G17 "Guidance for Submitting Exploration Plans and Development Operations Coordination Documents"	Minerals Management Service	2003
NTL 2002-G01 "Archaeological Resource Surveys and Reports"	Minerals Management Service	2002
NTL 2000-G16 "Guidelines for General Lease Surety Bonds"	Minerals Management Service	2000
NTL 98-20 "Shallow Hazards Survey Requirements"	Minerals Management Service	1998
NTL 98-16 "Hydrogen Sulfide Requirements"	Minerals Management Service	1998
NPDES General Permit GMG290000	EPA - Region VI	1998
Regional Oil Spill Response Plan	Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation	2003

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CZM Consistency

Under direction of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CMZA), the States of Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas developed Coastal Zone Management Programs (CZMP) to allow for the supervision of significant land and water use activities that take place within or that could significantly impact their respective coastal zones.

A certificate of Coastal Zone Management Consistency for the State of Louisiana is enclosed as *Attachment I-1*.

Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation has considered all of Louisiana's enforceable policies and certifies the consistency to the proposed operations.

Louisiana Coastal Zone Consistency Statement

**Attachment I-1
(Public Information)**

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION

INITIAL EXPLORATION PLAN

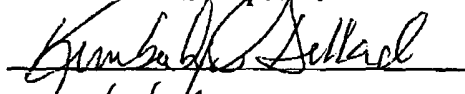
EAST CAMERON BLOCK 206

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The proposed activities described in detail in the enclosed Plan comply with Louisiana's approved Coastal Zone Management Program and will be conducted in a manner consistent with such Program.

By: Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation

Signed By:



Dated:

