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In Reply Refer To: MS 5231

January 18, 2005

Ms. Victoria Guidry Hunt Petroleum (AEC), Inc. Post Office Box 1350 Houston, Texas 77251-1350

Dear Ms. Guidry:

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No. N-08229

Type Initial Development Operations Coordination Document

Received October 8, 2004

Lease(s) OCS-G 09546, Block 146, South Marsh Island Area

OCS-G 21106, Block 139, South Marsh Island Area

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of January 11, 2005, in accordance with 30 CFR 250.204(1)(1).

This approval includes the activities proposed for Platform B, and Wells B001, B002, and B003.

In response to the request accompanying your plan for a hydrogen sulfide ( $\rm H_2S$ ) classification, the area in which the proposed drilling operations are to be conducted is hereby classified, in accordance with 30 CFR 250.490(c), as " $\rm H_2S$  absent."

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

Sincerely,

Donald C. Howard
Regional Supervisor
Field Operations

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