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In Reply Refer To: MS 5231

August 17, 2005

Mr. Matt Stanley ConocoPhillips Company 550 Westlake Park Boulevard WL3 Room 8020 Houston, Texas 77079

Dear Mr. Stanley:

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No. N-08413

Initial Exploration Plan (EP)

Received

May 4, 2005, amended June 24 and 29, 2005

QCS-G 22865, Block 256, Mississippi Canyon Area √OCS-G 24069, Block 301, Mississippi Canyon Area

You are hereby notified that concurrence of the Alabama Department of Environmental Management with the Coastal Zone Consistency Certification for your EP was received on August 17, 2005.

This plan was conditionally approved on August 11, 2005, for Wells A, B, C, and D.

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

Sincerely,

Michelle Griffitt Evans

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