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In Reply Refer To: MS 5231

December 19, 2005

Mr. M. J. Simon The Houston Exploration Company 110C Louisiana Suite 2000 Houston, Texas 77002-5215

Dear Mr. Simon:

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No. S-06758

Type

Supplemental Development Operations Coordination Document

Received

September 13, 2005

Lease(s)

OCS-G 02853, Block 23, East Cameron Area

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of December 6, 2005, in accordance with 30 CFR 250.204(1)(1).

This approval includes the activities proposed for Caissons and Wells Nos. 12, 13, and 14.

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

Sincerely,

Ponald C. Howard Regional Supervisor Field Operations

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