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In Reply Refer To: GM 235D

August 19, 2016

Ms. Kathy R. Gowland
LLOG Exploration Offshore, L.L.C.
1001 Ochsner Boulevard
Suite 200
Covington, Louisiana 70433

Dear Ms. Gowland,

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No.	N-9952
Type	Initial Exploration Plan
Received	June 1, 2016, amended June 7, and July 20, 2016
Lease(s)	OCS-G 35329, Block 345, Mississippi Canyon Area (MC)

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of August 19, 2016, in accordance with 30 CFR 550.233(b)(1).

This approval includes the activities proposed for Subsea Wells A and B.

Exercise caution while drilling due to indications of shallow gas and possible water flow.

In response to the request accompanying your plan for a hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) 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 "H₂S absent."

You must comply with the following species protective measures in all activities conducted pursuant to the plan:

- Joint Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL) No. 2012-G01, "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protected Species Reporting" (available at <http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G01-pdf.aspx>);
- Joint NTL No. 2012-G02, "Implementation of Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program" (available at <http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G02-pdf.aspx>); and
- BSEE NTL No. 2015-G03, "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination" (available at <https://www.bsee.gov/sites/bsee.gov/files/notices-to-lessees-ntl/alerts/ntl-2015-g03.pdf>).

These measures are designed to promote environmental protection, consistent environmental policy, compliance with environmental laws, and safety.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this approval, please contact Chiquita Hill at (504) 736-2668.

Sincerely,

**Michelle
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