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In Reply Refer To: GE 973E

December 9, 2020

Mr. Ben Marchive II
Cox Operating, L.L.C.
1615 Poydras Street, Suite 830
New Orleans, Louisiana 70112

Dear Mr. Marchive:

By letter dated September 28 and amended letters dated October 30 and November 9, 2020, Cox Operating, L.L.C. (Cox) requests a Suspension of Production (SOP) for Lease OCS-G 14188 (the Lease), High Island Block A-465. The Lease was held by a prior SOP, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.180, through September 30, 2020.

Production from the Lease ceased on August 13, 2019, due to a lack of fuel gas for the field. Working under an approved SOP, Cox received approval from the Lake Jackson District for the Lease to start production operations on August 12, 2020, but prior to the Lease commencing production, a water processing vessel failed and had to be repaired. Repairs were made to the vessel, but the scheduled ancillary platform work and repairs were postponed due to weather delays related to Hurricanes Laura, Delta, and Zeta. Following the remaining platform work, Cox plans to return the Lease to production by the end of December 2020.

An SOP for Lease OCS-G 14188 is hereby approved, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.174(a), from October 1 through December 31, 2020. Cox, or any subsequent operator, must notify this office in writing upon commencement of production. If you have any questions regarding this matter, contact Mr. Patrick Roberts at (504) 736-2476 or patrick.roberts@bsee.gov.

Sincerely,

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