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Gulf of Mexico OCS Region 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

In Reply Refer To: GE 973B

June 24, 2020

Ms. Melissa Guidry Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC 2000 West Sam Houston Parkway South, Suite 1200 Houston, Texas 77042

Dear Ms. Guidry:

By letter dated May 21, 2020, Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC (Fieldwood) requests a Suspension of Production (SOP) for Lease OCS-G 19760 (the Lease), Vermilion (VR) Block 196. The Lease was held by prior production, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.180, through June 6, 2020.

Production ceased from the Lease on June 6, 2019, due to a paraffin-plugged, oil export pipeline, Segment No. 18591. Fieldwood established pressure communication from the VR Block 215 A platform to the VR Block 196 A platform on March 2, 2020, by pumping 25 barrels of diesel down the pipeline segment. Additional chemical solvents to further clean out the paraffin and a progressive pigging program are scheduled to return the Lease to production by the end of November 2020. Additionally, Fieldwood plans to recomplete the VR Block 196, Well A002 to another pay sand.

An SOP for Lease OCS-G 19760 is hereby approved, pursuant to 30 CFR 250.174(b), from June 7 through November 30, 2020. Fieldwood, or any subsequent operator, is expected to follow the enclosed activity schedule and must notify this office in writing (progress report) by the end of each month that a deadline is scheduled. 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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for Richie D. Baud Regional Supervisor Production and Development

## Enclosure

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