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In Reply Refer To: GE 973E

August 6, 2021

Mr. Rian S. Riche Shell Offshore Inc. Post Office Box 61933 New Orleans, Louisiana 70161-1933

Dear Mr. Riche:

By letter dated March 29, 2021, and additional information received May 13, 2021, Shell Offshore Inc. (Shell) requests approval of a Suspension of Production (SOP) and a revised activity schedule for the Mississippi Canyon (MC) Block 612 Unit, Agreement No. 754319003. The unit consists of Lease OCS-G 33166, and portions of Leases OCS-G 33744, 33752, and 35830, and was held by an SOP through March 31, 2021.

Shell did not fully meet the March 2021 milestone in its previously approved activity schedule, and proposes an additional year to complete that milestone. Shell indicates that all other milestones remain on schedule including, but not limited to, the fabrication of certain equipment, completion of host-facility modifications, development well drilling, installation and commissioning of certain systems, and commencement of production.

In accordance with Articles IX, XVI, and XVII of the Unit Agreement, and 30 CFR 250.174(a), an SOP and a revised activity schedule for the MC Block 612 Unit are hereby approved from April 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022. This unit suspension excludes Lease OCS-G 35830, since the primary term extends beyond the expiration of the SOP. Shell is expected to follow the enclosed SOP activity schedule and must notify this office in writing (progress report) by the end of each month in which a deadline is scheduled. If you have any questions, contact Mr. Imran Vahora at (504) 736-2664 or imran.vahora@bsee.gov.

Sincerely,

RICHIE Digitally signed by RICHIE BAUD Date: 2021.08.06

Richie D. Baud Regional Supervisor Office of Production and Development

Enclosure