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GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION**

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**NOTICE TO LESSEES AND OPERATORS OF FEDERAL
OIL AND GAS AND SULPHUR LEASES IN THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF**

2003 Industry Awards Program and Luncheon

The 2003 Minerals Management Service (MMS) Industry Awards Program and Luncheon are scheduled for Tuesday, April 29, 2003, at The Westin Galleria, Houston, Texas. This is the 20th year that MMS has honored outstanding companies for their exemplary safety and pollution prevention records, and the fifth year for our industry awards program. The following awards will be presented:

n Corporate Leadership Award (CORLA)

Recognizes corporation employees who have performed an exemplary act or service that helps MMS meet its mission objectives.

n Safe Operations and Accurate Reporting (SOAR)

Recognizes OCS lessees that are outstanding in the areas of offshore operating performance and fiscal responsibility. An MMS SOAR recipient is among the safest and most committed to timely and accurate financial reporting. Contributions to overall industry performance are considered.

n Mineral Revenues Stewardship Award

Recognizes companies committed to timely and accurately filing of mineral lease revenue and production reports with MMS's Minerals Revenue Management Program.

n Safety Award for Excellence (SAFE)

The SAFE Program recognizes OCS oil and gas facility operators and contractors for outstanding safety and pollution prevention performance. The SAFE Award categories are as follows:



High Activity Operator



Moderate Activity Operator



Drilling Contractor



Production Contractor

Please log onto our web site to obtain registration information at:

<http://www.mms.gov/awards/>

Contact: If you have additional questions, please telephone Debbie O'Brien at (703) 787-1579.

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