

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE**

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**NOTICE TO LESSEES (NTL) AND OPERATORS OF FEDERAL OIL AND GAS LEASES
ON THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF (OCS)**

Reminder to Submit Performance Measures Data by March 31, 2006

On March 2, 2005, the Minerals Management Service (MMS) issued NTL No. 2005-NO2: Performance Measures for OCS Operators and Form MMS-131. This new NTL introduced a new Form MMS-131 to replace the old version which expired January 2005. While no material changes were made to the design of the form, a terminology shift from "Lost Time" incidents to "Days Away from work, Restricted duty and Transfer situations" (DART) incidents was required to keep the OCS Performance Measures program reporting standards closely aligned with those of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

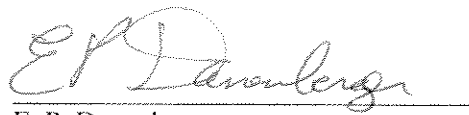
MMS reminds you that **NTL 2005-NO2** does not expire until January 31, 2008; therefore, we ask that you remember to submit performance measures data for the previous calendar year by March 31, 2006. Your participation in the performance measures data collection program is voluntary. However, the quality of the information we obtain from analyzing the data depends on the widespread support of this effort.

MMS issued NTL 2002-N01 to collect data on an annual basis on Form MMS-131 related to a set of performance measures developed by a joint government/industry workgroup. This workgroup was composed of representatives from 17 oil and gas companies, American Petroleum Institute, Offshore Operators Committee, Independent Petroleum Association of America, International Association of Drilling Contractors, National Oceans Industries Association, and the U.S. Coast Guard. You can find the latest data along with the performance measures formulas on the MMS website at <http://www.mms.gov/perfmeas>.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 Statement: The collection of information referred to in this NTL requests voluntary submittal of Form MMS-131 to MMS. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the collection of information on Form MMS-131 and assigned OMB Control Number 1010-0112. This notice is explanatory only and does not impose additional information collection requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the OCS Performance Measures program you may contact Jarvis Abbott at Jarvis.Abbott@mms.gov or (703) 787-1866.

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