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NOTICE TO LESSEES AND OPERATORS OF FEDERAL OIL AND GAS LEASES ON THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF

Surface Blowout Preventer Workshop for Floating Drilling Operations

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) in cooperation with the International Association of Drilling Contractors (IADC) announces a workshop that will examine the issues associated with the use of a surface blowout preventer (BOP) during floating drilling operations. The workshop will be held in Houston, Texas on November 6, 2002.

The workshop's mission is to educate the industry on the surface BOP technique for floating drilling operations and provide an understanding of the associated risks and mitigating safeguards. Its objective is to identify the unique aspects of surface BOP operations and to form dedicated work groups to establish guidelines to ensure consistent best practices are adopted throughout the industry.

MMS welcomes and encourages your participation in this workshop.

Workshop Details

Where:	Omni Houston Hotel Westside
Date:	November 6, 2002
Cost:	$250
Who should attend:	Deepwater drilling managers, drilling engineers, deepwater drilling contractors, BOP equipment manufacturers, and other parties interested in deepwater drilling

Registration and Information Contacts: For additional information and to register for the workshop, please visit the workshop website at http://www.iadc.org/conferences/SB2-program.htm. You may also contact Leesa Teel, IADC (281-578-7171); or Bill Hauser, MMS (703-787-1613).

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