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Mr. Tyler Koutney
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Re: Santa Ynez Unit 2016 Bottomhole Pressure Survey
Reports Hondo, Pescado and Sacate Fields

Dear Mr. Koutney,

Thank you for your letter dated Dec. 11, 2015, requesting a departure from the Bottomhole Pressure Submittals per 30 CFR 550.1153 due to the shut-in of the Santa Ynez Unit, SYU (Hondo, Pescado and Sacate Fields) as result of the ongoing issues with onshore pipeline 901. Your request also stipulates that ExxonMobil Production (Exxon) will resume Bottomhole Pressure testing for reporting in accordance to 30 CFR 550.1153 once production is reestablished, which Exxon anticipates may take 3-5 years.

Your request letter contained the justification for requesting the departure, and was accompanied with Form BOEM-0140, Bottomhole Pressure Survey Report, showing most recent calculated or measured bottomhole pressure data for the SYU.

The Bureau of Ocean Management (BOEM) Pacific Region has reviewed your request and hereby grants a departure from the Bottomhole Pressure Submittals requirement for the SYU until such time that production is reestablished. This approval is granted in accordance of 30 CFR 550.1153 (d).

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Chima Ojukwu at (805) 384-6362.

Sincerely,

Allan Shareghi
Chief, Lease Management Section
On behalf of the: Regional Supervisor
Office of Strategic Resources

Enclosure

cc: Regional Supervisor, Office of Production and Development
Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, BSEE

**bcc: Subject File: 1701-01 Geologic and Engineering Reports & Map Files\ (b) Form BOEM-0140
Bottomhole Pressure Survey Report & Instructions (By Unit)**

**ecc: Subject File: 101-02b Chron
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