

FOR RELEASE: February 5, 1996 CONTACT: Tom DeRocco (202) 208-3985 OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF OIL AND GAS LEASING HISTORY (Quarterly as of 12/31/95) Alaska Atlantic GOM Pacific Total Sales Held 17* 10* 74 11* 109* Blocks Offered 24,659 9,160 171,568 1,887 207,274 Leases Issued 1,562 410 12,837 470 15,279 Active Leases 57 53 5,185 85 5,380 Active Acres Leased (millions) 0.26 0.30 26.34 0.43 27.33 Wells drilled 82 51 32,255 1,106 33,494 The responsibility for administering the Atlantic leases now rests with the Gulf of Mexico Region. * Note that the reoffering Sale RS-2, held on August 5, 1982, offered oil and gas tracts on the Alaska, Atlantic, and Pacific OCS and is recorded as a separate sale within each of those Regions. However, Sale RS-2 is considered a single sale in the overall statistical summary on OCS leasing. --MMS--