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The Minerals Management Service to Meet with Key Regional Offshore Alternative Energy Stakeholders

Two Meetings Set for Boston, Massachusetts

WASHINGTON – The Interior Department’s Minerals Management Service (MMS) has invited key regional stakeholders from the Northeast, including federal, state and local government agencies, environmental groups, academia, and industry, to participate in meetings on the development of the alternative energy program on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). The meetings will be held in Boston, Massachusetts on January 10 & 11, 2007. A media availability will be held following the meeting on January 10, 2007.

What: Media Availability following Offshore Alternative Energy Stakeholder Meeting

Who: Maureen Bornholdt, Program Manager, Alternative Energy Program

When: January 10, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

Where: Hilton Boston Back Bay
40 Dalton Street,
Boston, MA 02115

Media will be asked to register at the site and may contact Nicolette Nye at (703) 787-1011 for further details.

The MMS received authority for the OCS Alternative Energy Program [under Section 388 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005](#). Through this authority, the MMS will regulate alternative energy projects and alternate uses of existing oil and gas platforms on the OCS.

The stakeholder meetings will provide invitees an opportunity to share valuable experiences and relevant knowledge with the MMS on offshore alternative energy and will contribute to the MMS fact-finding efforts under Section 388.