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Coastal Alabama Offshore Natural Gas Economic Projection Model

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The Minerals Management Service (Minerals Management Service) announces the availability of the report *Coastal Alabama Offshore Natural Gas Economic Projection Model*. This final document, the third in a series of coastal Alabama studies, summarizes a Microsoft® Excel-based economic projection model. The model was developed as part of a series of investigations analyzing the social and economic impacts of the coastal Alabama offshore gas industry on Gulf Coast States.

This model estimates past economic effects from industry activity on employment, population, and personal income for Mobile County, the State of Alabama, and the combined economies of Louisiana and Texas. Economic effects are forecast from 1982 through 2020. Mobile County and Alabama employment grew as local gas-related businesses grew. Mobile County received a large share of spending from construction of onshore treatment plants and receives the majority of economic effects from ongoing operations and maintenance, in addition to the economic stimulus from State and Federal offshore royalties.

You can obtain copies of the report from the Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, at a charge of \$5.00 by referencing OCS Study MMS 2000-065. You will be able to obtain this report also from the National Technical Information Service in the near future. Here are the addresses. You may also inspect copies at selected Federal Depository Libraries.

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