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*Air Quality: User's Guide for the Gulfwide Offshore Activities Data System (GOADS)
Final Report*

OCS Study MMS 2001-052

The Minerals Management Service (MMS), Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, announces the availability of a new study report, Air Quality: User's Guide for the Gulfwide Offshore Activities Data System (GOADS), Final Report.

This report describes computer hardware requirements and instructions for installing the software for the Gulfwide Offshore Activities Database System (GOADS). The purpose of developing the GOADS software is to aid offshore operators in complying with the MMS reporting requirements. This report also provides instructions on how to use this software in the collection of offshore activity data for estimating the pollutant emissions in the entire Gulf of Mexico. The emissions estimates from this study will help assess the air quality impacts on the Gulf of Mexico Region. The primary difference between GOADS and BOADS (Breton Offshore Activities Database System) is that GOADS includes some additional equipment types and an annual survey for fugitive emission sources; it also can print a Quality Assurance Summary Form.

For more information about this study or the Environmental Studies Program in general, contact the Environmental Sciences Section (MS 5430), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394, telephone (504) 736-2752.

You can obtain copies of the report from the Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, at a charge of \$10.00 by referencing OCS Study MMS 2001-052. 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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