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User's Guide for the 2008 Gulfwide Offshore Activities Data System (GOADS-2008)

[OCS Study MMS 2007-068](#)

The Minerals Management Service (MMS), Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, announces the availability of a new study report, *User's Guide for the 2008 Gulfwide Offshore Activities Data System (GOADS-2008)*.

This report explains the computer hardware requirements, the instructions for installation, and the descriptive guide for the 2008 Gulfwide Offshore Activities Database System (GOADS-2008) software. The GOADS-2008 software, an update from the GOADS-2005 software, assists users in recording information regarding emissions-related offshore activities and generates computer data files that can be delivered to MMS. This software is to aid offshore operators in complying with MMS reporting requirements, as per NTL No. 2007-G25. The emission estimates from this study will help assess the air quality impacts on the Gulf of Mexico Region. The primary difference between the GOADS-2005 and GOADS-2008 is enhancing usability by simplifying data entry for some activities; data are no longer requested for loading operations, the amine unit and glycol dehydrator screens have been simplified, and some data requested for combustion sources have been moved to descriptive mode rather than activity mode. The GOADS-2008 software will be used to record information regarding emissions-related offshore activities for calendar year 2008, as per the NTL.

This report is available only in compact disc format from the Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, at a charge of \$15.00, by referencing OCS Study MMS 2007-068. The report may be downloaded from the MMS website through the [Environmental Studies Program Information System \(ESPIS\)](#). 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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