

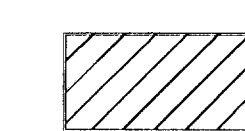
**UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE
GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGION**

**WESTERN GULF OF MEXICO
LEASE SALE 171, AUGUST 1998**

LEASE TERMS, BIDDING SYSTEMS, AND ROYALTY SUSPENSION AREAS

LEGEND

 5 Year Lease Term, 16 2/3% Royalty Rate, and No Royalty Suspension Area

 5 Year Lease Term, 16 2/3% Royalty Rate, and 200-399 Meter Royalty Suspension Area
In addition to regular blocks as shown, includes the following irregular blocks:
Gardon Banks 23, 24, 33, 34, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 104, 139, 146, 177, 178, 180, 181, 182

East Breaks 105, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 119, 145, 146, 173, 187, 188, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 309

Corpus Christi 394, 395, 439, 483, 609, 869

Port Isabel 163, 207, 296, 385, 518, 562, 738, 870, 914, 959

 8 Year Lease Term, 12 1/2% Royalty Rate, and 400-799 Meter Royalty Suspension Area

In addition to regular blocks as shown, includes the following irregular blocks:

East Breaks 229

Corpus Christi 527, 571, 615, 659, 660, 704, 748, 792

Port Isabel 960, 961

 10 Year Lease Term, 12 1/2% Royalty Rate, and 800 Meter and Greater Royalty Suspension Area

In addition to regular blocks as shown, includes the following irregular blocks:

Corpus Christi 836, 880, 924, 968, 1012

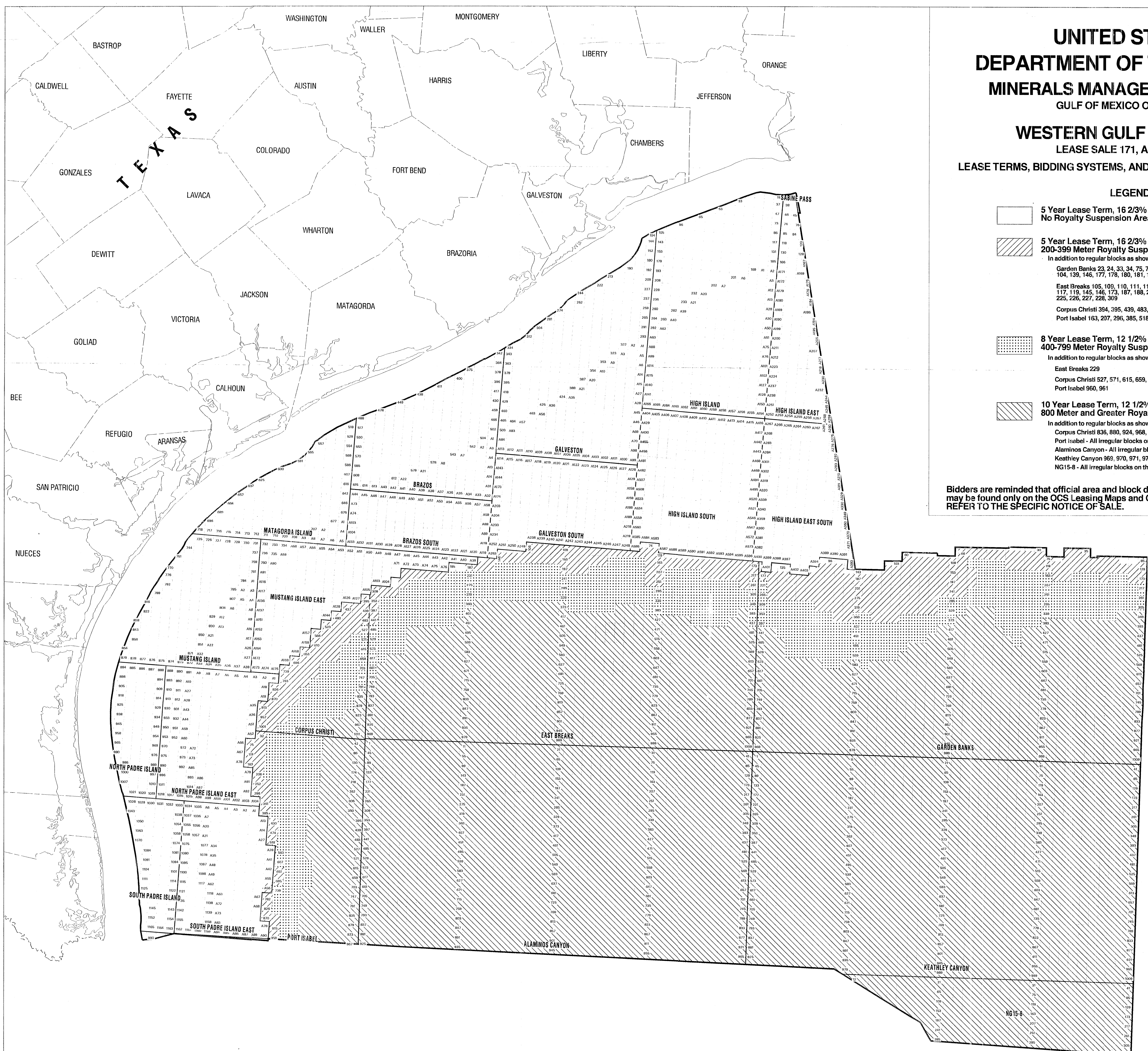
Port Isabel - All irregular blocks on the eastern boundary and 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967

Alaminos Canyon - All irregular blocks on the southern boundary

Keathley Canyon 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979

NG15-8 - All irregular blocks on the western and southern boundaries

Bidders are reminded that official area and block designations and locations may be found only on the OCS Leasing Maps and Official Protraction Diagrams. REFER TO THE SPECIFIC NOTICE OF SALE.



FINAL WESTERN GULF OF MEXICO LEASE SALE 171, AUGUST 1998
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