



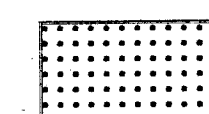

**UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE**

GULF OF MEXICO OCS REGIONAL OFFICE

CENTRAL GULF OF MEXICO

LEASE SALE 172, MARCH 1999

LEASE TERMS AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

-  5 Year Lease Term, \$25 Per Acre Minimum Bid, \$5 Per Acre Rental Rate, 16 2/3% Royalty Rate, and No Royalty Suspension Area
-  5 Year Lease Term, \$25 Per Acre Minimum Bid, \$7.50 Per Acre Rental Rate, 16 2/3% Royalty Rate, and 200-399 Meter Royalty Suspension Area
 In addition to regular blocks as shown, includes the following irregular blocks:
 EWING BANK 304, 305, 306, 348, 349, 350, 393, 394, 437, 481, 526, 570, 701, 702, 744, 745, 746, 796, 797, 799, 828, 829, 868, 910, 911, 947, 976, 977, 978, 981, 984, 988
 MISSISSIPPI CANYON 21, 63, 64, 107, 149, 150, 151, 191, 265, 266, 267, 313, 357, 358, 359, 360, 362, 363, 364, 573, 617
 VIOSCA KNOLL 696, 697, 698, 735, 736, 775, 776, 777, 778, 815, 816, 857, 900, 942, 984
 GREEN CANYON 5, 45, 46, 47
-  8 Year Lease Term, \$25 Per Acre Minimum Bid, \$7.50 Per Acre Rental Rate, 12 1/2% Royalty Rate, and 400-799 Meter Royalty Suspension Area
 In addition to regular blocks as shown, includes the following irregular blocks:
 EWING BANK 438, 482, 835, 879, 923, 967, 1011
-  10 Year Lease Term, \$37.50 Per Acre Minimum Bid, \$7.50 Per Acre Rental Rate, 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:
 All irregular blocks on the eastern boundary of the Green Canyon, Walker Ridge, and NG 15-9 leasing areas.
 All irregular blocks on the southern boundary of the NG 15-9 and the NG 16-7 leasing areas.

The user is cautioned regarding use of this map for map areas and block number information in preparing bids. REFER TO THE SPECIFIC NOTICE OF SALE.