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PREFACE

The Preliminary Bid Recap lists bid-specific information from a lease sale. Individual copies of the bid recap for a particular sale are available for several months following the completion of the bid evaluation process, which takes approximately 60-90 days following the sale day.

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PARTICIPATING COMPANIES

00282 Dominion Exploration & Production, Inc.
00689 Shell Offshore Inc.
01364 Newfield Exploration Company
02079 Nexen Petroleum Offshore U.S.A. Inc.
02169 Spinnaker Exploration Company, L.L.C.
02647 Murphy Exploration & Production Company - USA

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 GULF OF MEXICO REGION
 Sale Summary by Bid System

10-DEC-2003

Sale Number: 189
 Sale Identifier: EASTERN GULF OF MEXICO
 Sale Date: 10-DEC-2003

	12 1/2 Total	Sale Total
1. Tracts Receiving Bids -	14	14
2. Acres/Hectares Receiving Bids -	80,640.00	80,640.00
3. Sum of High Bids -	\$8,376,765.00	\$8,376,765.00
4. Sum of All Bids -	\$9,081,842.00	\$9,081,842.00
5. Total Number of Bids -	16	16
6. Average Number of Bids -	1.14	1.14
7. Total Companies Participating -	6	6
8.(A) Highest Bid Per Tract -	\$2,225,251.00	\$2,225,251.00
(B) Number of Bids -	1	1
(C) OCS Number(s) -	G25854	G25854
9.(A) Highest Bid Per Acre/Hectare -	\$386.33	\$386.33
(B) Number of Bids -	1	1
(C) OCS Number(s) -	G25854	G25854
10.(A) Largest Number of Bids -	3	3
(B) Number of OCS/Tracts -	1	1
(C) OCS Number(s) -	G25852	G25852

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Sale Summary by Bid System

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	12 1/2% RS4	12 1/2 Total
1. Tracts Receiving Bids -	14	14
2. Acres/Hectares Receiving Bids -	80,640.00	80,640.00
3. Sum of High Bids -	\$8,376,765.00	\$8,376,765.00
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 Bid Recap (All Bids by Area/Tract)

Sale Number : 189
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 Sale Date : 10-DEC-2003
 Region Name : Gulf of Mexico OCS Region

Area		NH16-11 Area Name De Soto Canyon								
Bid Type	OCS Number	Block	Block Size/Unit	Company	Percent(%)	Company Name	Amount Bid/Tract Unit	Total Bonus	Rank	
12 1/2% RS4	G25850	178	5,760.00 A	01364 02647	50.00000	Newfield Exploration Company Murphy Exploration & Production Company - USA	\$76.86	\$442,700.00	1	
12 1/2% RS4	G25851	313	5,760.00 A	02647	100.00000	Murphy Exploration & Production Company - USA	\$39.67	\$228,500.00	1	
12 1/2% RS4	G25852	353	5,760.00 A	00689 02079 02169 02169 01364 02647	80.00000 20.00000 66.66667 33.33333 50.00000 50.00000	Shell Offshore Inc. Nexen Petroleum Offshore U.S.A. Inc. Dominion Exploration & Production, Inc. Spinnaker Exploration Company, L.L.C. Newfield Exploration Company Murphy Exploration & Production Company - USA	\$137.76 \$76.96 \$45.45	\$793,521.00 \$443,300.00 \$261,777.00	1 2 3	
***G25852 ***		TRACT TOTALS			TOTAL BIDS		3	TOTAL AMOUNT EXPOSED	\$1,498,598.00	
12 1/2% RS4	G25853	397	5,760.00 A	00689 02079	80.00000 20.00000	Shell Offshore Inc. Nexen Petroleum Offshore U.S.A. Inc.	\$106.99	\$616,251.00	1	
12 1/2% RS4	G25854	398	5,760.00 A	00689 02079	80.00000 20.00000	Shell Offshore Inc. Nexen Petroleum Offshore U.S.A. Inc.	\$386.33	\$2,225,251.00	1	
12 1/2% RS4	G25855	486	5,760.00 A	00689 02079	80.00000 20.00000	Shell Offshore Inc. Nexen Petroleum Offshore U.S.A. Inc.	\$89.67	\$516,521.00	1	
12 1/2% RS4	G25856	487	5,760.00 A	00689 02079	80.00000 20.00000	Shell Offshore Inc. Nexen Petroleum Offshore U.S.A. Inc.	\$137.76	\$793,521.00	1	
12 1/2% RS4	G25857	578	5,760.00 A	02647	100.00000	Murphy Exploration & Production Company - USA	\$39.50	\$227,500.00	1	
12 1/2% RS4	G25858	662	5,760.00 A	02647	100.00000	Murphy Exploration & Production Company - USA	\$38.63	\$222,500.00	1	

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Bid Type	OCS Number	Block	Block Size/Unit	Company	Percent(%)	Company Name			
12 1/2% RS4	G25859	663	5,760.00 A	00282 02169	66.66667 33.33333	Dominion Exploration & Production, Inc. Spinnaker Exploration Company, L.L.C.	\$228.19	\$1,314,400.00	1
12 1/2% RS4	G25860	706	5,760.00 A	02647	100.00000	Murphy Exploration & Production Company - USA	\$38.63	\$222,500.00	1
12 1/2% RS4	G25861	707	5,760.00 A	00282	100.00000	Dominion Exploration & Production, Inc.	\$42.78	\$246,400.00	1
12 1/2% RS4	G25862	751	5,760.00 A	00282	100.00000	Dominion Exploration & Production, Inc.	\$52.90	\$304,700.00	1
12 1/2% RS4	G25863	972	5,760.00 A	02647	100.00000	Murphy Exploration & Production Company - USA	\$38.63	\$222,500.00	1
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