

Question and Answer section for the GDIS (Geophysical Data Information Sheet)

1. Q. Does my company still have to fill out a GDIS if we did not use any seismic data to evaluate the OCS Lease Block we are bidding on?

A. Yes, all bidders have to fill out a GDIS. Your company may type a response that no seismic was used on the GDIS for your company's primary and secondary contact. Be prepared to answer any question about how your company made its decision to bid on the Lease Block.

2. Q. I'm not sure that the data that our company used is Proprietary.

A. Contact D. Smith at 504-736-2706 or J. Johnson at 504-736-2455 for help on this matter.

3. Q. I'm not sure what the OCS Permit Number is for the Seismic Survey that our company used to evaluate the current OCS Lease Sale Block.

A. Contact D. Smith at 504-736-2706 or J. Johnson at 504-736-2455 for help on this matter.

4. Q. Our company has a merged seismic survey that has three different owners and three different surveys merged into one. How should we fill this out on the Excel spreadsheet?

A. List the owners of the merged seismic survey and list all the names and permit numbers to the best of your knowledge on the same line for this OCS Lease Sale Block.

5. Q. Our company has three different Proprietary Seismic Surveys that were used to evaluate several OCS Lease Blocks. How should we fill out the GDIS Excel spreadsheet?

A. Your company should put each Seismic Survey and the accompanying information on separate lines for each OCS Lease Block. Data should not be clipped or cropped. BOEM will be requesting the entire reprocessed survey. If your company has additional questions contact D. Smith at 504-736-2706 or J. Johnson at 504-736-2455 for help on this matter.

6. Q. Our Company only used Speculative Seismic Data to evaluate the Lease Blocks that we bid on. Does our company have to fill out any more than the GDIS form?

A. Fill out the GDIS form and place all the block numbers in the correct location. You may if you choose put the Speculative Data sets on the excel spreadsheet. If you don't fill in the spreadsheet be prepared for additional inquiry via email or phone call. BOEM may wish to know which Speculative surveys your company used. Remember if the Speculative data set is altered from the original survey in any way it is considered Proprietary in nature; you must fill in the excel sheet and send in the shapefiles and survey live trace data map.

7. Q. I have a fast track data set. Do I have to do anything besides completing GDIS form and the GDIS excel spreadsheet?

A. Since the fast track data is exclusive to your company at the time of the Lease Sale and BOEM does not have access to it, it is considered Proprietary in nature. Your fast track survey should be treated as Proprietary. Send the Surveys Live Trace outline and shape file with the digital files for the GDIS.

8. Q. Our company wants to change the bid amount on a variety of OCS Lease Blocks, not adding or subtracting any blocks. Do we have to fill out another GDIS Form or the GDIS Excel spreadsheet.

A. Changing your company's bid without dropping or adding blocks will not affect the GDIS Form nor does it affect the GDIS Excel sheet. No further action is needed, unless otherwise instructed by Leasing.

9. Q. Our company wants to change the bid by adding several blocks. Do we have to fill out another GDIS Form or the GDIS Excel spreadsheet.

A. If your company adds additional OCS Lease Sale Blocks to your bid, your company should update the GDIS form and update the GDIS Excel sheet if there are Proprietary or Fast Track Seismic Surveys that were used for those new blocks. If you do change your GDIS form or the Excel spreadsheet make sure that Leasing knows which is the final version of the GDIS. It can be very confusing if BOEM receives more than one GDIS form per block or more than one Excel sheet for your company.

If you have any questions about the GDIS form or excel sheet don't hesitate to contact D. Smith at 504-736-2706 or J. Johnson at 504-736-2455.