



United States Department of the Interior
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
BIDDER'S FINANCIAL FORM

Section I (General)

The following information is provided relative to bids submitted for OCS Lease Sale Number: _____

Name of Company Submitting Bid(s):

BOEM Company Number:

Tax Identification Number:

Pay.gov User:

(Name)

(Area Code – Phone Number(s))

Email address:

New Renewable Energy Bidders

Once the Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) receives all lease sale Bidder's Financial Forms (BFFs), it will work with Pay.gov to establish your Pay.gov account. This process will take up to 48 hours. When Pay.gov has established your user account, you and ONRR will receive a message that this has been completed. ONRR will link your new account to the entity on whose behalf you are making a bid deposit and the current lease sale number. Once linked, you will receive a second message from Pay.gov. You may log in at this time to ensure site access.

Existing Renewable Energy Bidders

Once ONRR receives all lease sale BFFs, it will add the current lease sale number, and if necessary, link your username to the entity on whose behalf you are making a bid deposit.

New and Existing Bidders

Upon completion of the above Pay.gov steps, ONRR will send Pay.gov payment instructions.

**** Please factor in the additional time to establish and link user accounts in Pay.gov. We encourage you to promptly log into Pay.gov and make your bid deposit to ensure the deposit receipt by the Bid Deposit Deadline. ****

Section II (Principal Point of Contact)

(PPoC Name)

(Area Code – Contact Phone Number)

(Company Street Address)

(City, State, Zip)

(E-mail Address)

(Alternate Phone)

(Fax)

Signature _____

Section III (Electronic Fund Transfer Payments)

Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) payments will be coordinated by:

(Primary Individual)

(Phone)

(Fax)

(Alternate Individual)

(Phone)

(Fax)

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Section IV (Automated Clearing House Refunds)

Automated Clearing House (ACH) refunds will be made to (Please do not use Fedwire Information for Refunds):

_____	_____
(Name of Receiving Financial Organization)	(Recipient Account Number at Receiving Financial Organization)
_____	_____
(City and State of Receiving Financial Organization)	(Recipient Name in which Account is Maintained)

(Nine-digit American Bankers Association Routing Number)	

Note: The receiving financial organization must be a US Corporation.

Section V (Individuals Authorized to Bid)

The following individuals will be the only people authorized to bid on behalf of the company identified in section I. Up to three individuals may be nominated by the company.

_____	_____
(Authorized Individual 1 Name)	(Area Code - Contact Phone Number(s))
_____	_____
(Company Street Address)	(City, State, Zip)
_____	_____
(E-mail Address)	(Fax #)
Signature_____	

_____	_____
(Authorized Individual 2 Name)	(Area Code - Phone Number(s))
_____	_____
(Company Street Address)	(City, State, Zip)
_____	_____
(E-mail Address)	(Fax #)
Signature_____	

_____	_____
(Authorized Individual 3 Name)	(Area Code - Phone Number(s))
_____	_____
(Company Street Address)	(City, State, Zip)
_____	_____
(E-mail Address)	(Fax #)
Signature_____	

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Section VI (Affiliated Entities)

The following qualified bidders listed in the final sale notice for this lease sale are affiliated with the company identified in section I.

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_____	_____
_____	_____

Section VII (Region Selection)

The following information is provided relative to bids submitted for OCS Lease Sale Number GOM-1, which will comprise two (2) Regions in the Gulf of Mexico (GOM):

- Louisiana Coast Region – Lake Charles Lease OCS-G37334
- Texas Coast Region – Galveston I Lease OCS-G37335 or Galveston II Lease OCS-G37336

_____ I wish to qualify to bid on leases in the **Louisiana Coast Region** of this OCS Lease Sale in the GOM.

_____ I wish to qualify to bid on leases in the **Texas Coast Region** of this OCS Lease Sale in the GOM.

_____ I agree to meet all requirements for each Region selected above for my bidding credit selections in Section VIII.

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Section VIII (Bidding Credits)

- _____ Yes, I will meet the requirements for a bidding credit in the amount of 20% of my cash bid by committing to contribute funds to support workforce training programs for the offshore wind industry, development of a U.S. domestic supply chain for the offshore wind energy industry, or both. Additional information and guidance can be found in the document entitled, *Bidding Credit – Requirements and Restrictions*, which is an addendum to this form.
- _____ Yes, I will meet the requirements for a bidding credit in the amount of 10% of my cash bid by committing to establishing and contributing funds to a Fisheries Compensatory Mitigation Fund or contributing funds to an existing fisheries compensatory mitigation fund to compensate for potential adverse impacts to commercial and for-hire recreational fisheries in the GOM resulting from offshore wind development. Additional information and guidance can be found in the document entitled, *Bidding Credit – Requirements and Restrictions*, which is an addendum to this form.
- _____ I have agreed to meet the requirements for at least one of the above bidding credits. I have attached my conceptual strategy(ies) to meet the requirements to earn the bidding credit(s) with this form. Should I qualify for each bidding credit I have indicated, my total bidding credit would be _____ percent (not to exceed a combined total of 30 percent) of my cash bid. BOEM will confirm my bidding credit eligibility prior to the Mock Auction.
- _____ No, I do not wish to commit to (1) contribute funds to support workforce training or supply chain development in return for a bidding credit of 20% of my cash bid or (2) establishing and contributing funds to a Fisheries Compensatory Mitigation Fund or contributing funds to an existing fisheries compensatory mitigation fund to compensate for potential adverse impacts to commercial and for-hire recreational fisheries in the GOM resulting from offshore wind development in return for a bidding credit of 10% of my cash bid.

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Section IX (Certification)

1. I, _____, certify that the company identified in section I did not and will not engage in anticompetitive bidding behavior in violation of federal law, BOEM's regulations, or auction procedures.
2. I further certify that the participation of the company identified in section I in this auction process is a good faith effort to win a lease to engage in the development of renewable energy resources.
3. I, as an authorized representative of the company identified in section I, certify to the truth and accuracy of the statements and information provided in sections I through VI of this form.
4. I acknowledge that, with regard to the computer system supporting the auction, unauthorized user attempts to (a) access, upload, change, delete or deface information on this system, (2) modify this system, (3) deny access to this system, or (4) otherwise misuse this system are strictly prohibited and may result in criminal and civil penalties.

(Signature of Authorized Officer)

Date

(Name)

(Title)

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Instructions to Bidders for the Bidder's Financial Form

The instructions below detail how to complete the Bidder's Financial Form. For ease of reference, each data item is entitled exactly as it appears on the form.

Section I (General)

- Enter the **OCS Lease Sale Number** – a new “Bidder's Financial Form” will be required for each sale
 - **Name of Company Submitting Bid** should be the same name as listed on the qualification package with BOEM
 - **BOEM Company Number** – the qualification number issued by BOEM
 - **Tax Identification Number** – your company's TIN #
 - **Pay.Gov User** is the individual who will be leaving a bid deposit on behalf of the company. This user will be registered with pay.gov to give them access to place a bid deposit in a renewable energy lease sale. This **Phone Number** and **E-mail Address** will be used to contact the individual when they are established in pay.gov and to give additional instructions on how to setup a pay.gov account. *This is a private form on pay.gov and only individuals who have been properly set up and linked to a company can access this page and submit a bid deposit on behalf of a company.* If you already have a pay.gov account active under the email address provided, BOEM will link that address to your pay.gov account shortly after receiving and processing this form.
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Section II (Principal Point of Contact)

BOEM will send Bidder Authentication materials separately for security reasons. BOEM will send one package to the Principal Point of Contact, and the other will be sent directly to each authorized user at the email addresses provided in Section V. The auction system will require software tokens for two-factor authentication. To set up the tokens, authorized individuals will need to download an app onto their smartphone or tablet with a recent operating system. One of the emails sent to authorized individuals will contain instructions for installing the app and the credentials needed to activate the software token. A short telephone conversation with the auction contractor may also be needed to use the credentials. The login information, along with the tokens, will be tested during the mock auction, and during an optional connectivity test prior to the mock auction. If an eligible bidder fails to submit a bid deposit or does not participate in the auction, BOEM will de-activate that bidder's tokens and login information.

If you need to verify this information, you may contact the BOEM Gulf of Mexico Regional Office at renewableenergygomr@boem.gov. Packages to be sent will include: Bid Packages containing software bidding tokens, information on the auction system, and Lease Forms to be executed.

Section III (EFT Payments)

- **Primary Individual, Phone, and Fax** number (including the area code) should be those of your EFT coordinator. The BOEM or ONRR will contact this person to resolve any EFT problems.

Only one EFT coordinator and one alternate should be designated for bids made by several companies as joint bidders.

NOTE: EFT includes: ACH, Fedwire and Pay.Gov

Section IV (ACH Refunds)

Unless your bid deposit is applied to your winning bid, refunds will be transmitted using ACH according to the payment information provided in this section. BOEM will not return the bid deposit of a bidder who submits a winning bid but does not (or cannot) timely pay any balance due, establish financial assurance, and sign the lease copies.

- **Nine-digit American Bankers Association Routing Number** is the RTN number
- **Recipient Account Number at Receiving Financial Organization** is the DAN number

NOTE: Bidders must provide ACH information rather than Fedwire. You should check with your bank to confirm the correct ACH information if you are unsure. Pay.gov will not be used to issue refunds.

Section V (Individuals Authorized to Bid)

- **Individuals 1-3** will be the only individuals authorized to participate in the auction. At least one and up to three individuals may be specified. Be sure to complete **Street Address, City, State, Zip Code, E-mail Address Contact Phone Number(s), and Signature** for all specified individuals.
- The login credentials (user ID, password, token ID) are assigned to these individuals and are not transferable. The user ID and password will be sent directly to the individuals, and the token IDs will be sent separately to the bidder's principal point of contact for distribution to the authorized individuals.

All authorized individuals will receive a link to the "Auction Manual."

Section VI (Affiliated Entities)

The term "Affiliated Entities" is defined in section III of the Proposed Sale Notice.

Section VII (Region Selection)

Bidders must select the Region(s) of the Lease Sale for which they intend to qualify to bid. Your Region selection will inform your bidding eligibility and determine your bid deposit amount. You must also agree to meet the requirements for your bidding credit selections in section IX for each Region you select.

Section VIII (Bidding Credits)

Bidders must select the appropriate statements to indicate whether they are committing to contribute funds to earn one or both of the bidding credit(s) and, if so, they must attach their conceptual strategy(ies) to meet the requirements to earn the bidding credit(s) with this form. Or, the bidders must indicate that they are not committing to contribute funds to earn either bidding credit.

Section IX (Certification)

The person signing this form must be an authorized signatory with their name and title depicted exactly as reflected in the qualification documentation on file with BOEM. An original signed form must be mailed to BOEM's Gulf of Mexico Regional Office (see mailing address below). Emailed and faxed copies will not be accepted for certification.

The completed form is due by the date specified in the final sale notice for this sale.

Mail hard copy to:
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
Office of Emerging Programs
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard
New Orleans, Louisiana 70123.

Please contact Tershara Matthews for questions regarding this form at (504) 736-2676 or tershara.matthews@boem.gov.