



United States Department of the Interior



MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE
Alaska Outer Continental Shelf Region
3801 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 500
Anchorage, Alaska 99503-5823

AUG 10 2009

Susan Childs
Regulatory Affairs Manager, Alaska Venture
Shell Offshore Inc.
3601 C Street, Suite 1000
Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Subject: MMS Deemed Submitted Determination on the Shell Offshore Inc., Beaufort Sea 2010 Outer Continental Shelf Lease Exploration Plan (EP), Camden Bay Alaska.

Dear Ms. Childs:

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) has reviewed the subject EP submitted to this office on July 22, 2009 and deems the subject EP to be submitted in accordance with 30 CFR 250.231(c). The MMS concludes that the EP contains the necessary information and the required number of copies in accordance with 30 CFR 250.231(a). The MMS has thirty calendar days after the EP has been deemed submitted to review the EP and to make the decision to approve, disapprove or require modification to the EP.

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Hartung at (907) 334-5300.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Walker
Regional Supervisor
Field Operations