#### **GULF COAST**

#### COOPERATIVE ECOSYSTEM STUDIES UNIT

# AMENDMENT THREE to COOPERATIVE and JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT

#### between

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
U.S. Geological Survey
National Park Service
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
U.S. Forest Service, Southern Research Station
Natural Resources Conservation Service

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense
(Installations and Environment)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Civil Works

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

#### and

Texas Agricultural Experiment Station – d.b.a. Texas AgriLife Research (Host)

Auburn University

Louisiana State University

Mississippi State University

Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

Texas A&M University at Galveston

Texas A&M University – Kingsville

Troy University

University of Central Florida

University of Florida

University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc.

University of Louisiana at Lafayette
University of Texas, Austin
The Nature Conservancy of Texas
Stephen F. Austin State University
University of New Orleans
The University of West Florida
Tarleton State University
Sul Ross State University
University of Arkansas at Monticello
University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture
Houston Advanced Research Center (HARC)
Southern University and A&M College
Bat Conservation International
University of Texas at Brownsville
Florida State University

#### Adding:

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement
University of Arkansas Pine Bluff
Texas AgriLife Extension Service

With the exception of the changes below, all terms and conditions of the Gulf Coast CESU Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement apply to this Amendment, and this Amendment is hereby made part of the Agreement.

#### ARTICLE I. BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

- A.3. The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (formerly Minerals Management Service) is hereby included in the Gulf Coast CESU as a Federal Agency Partner under agreement # M10PX00283.
- L.3. The University of Arkansas Pine Bluff and Texas AgriLife Extension Service are hereby included in the Gulf Coast CESU as Partner Institutions.
- O. Department of the Interior (DOI) Secretarial Order No. 3071 established the Minerals Management Service in 1982 with responsibility for managing the Nation's oil, natural gas, and other mineral resources on the Federal Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) and the mineral revenues from OCS, Federal, and Indian lands as authorized by the OCS Lands Act (OCSLA) (43 USC 1331-1356). Pursuant to DOI Secretarial Order No. 3302 (18 June 2010), the Minerals Management Service was renamed the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (hereafter BOEMRE). The BOEMRE manages the

mineral resources on 1.7 billion acres of the OCS to ensure that the U.S. government receives fair market value for acreage made available for leasing and manages any oil and gas activities to conserve resources, operate safely, and protect the coastal and marine environment. In addition to OCSLA, numerous laws, but particularly NEPA, provide the basis for environmental assessment and study of impacts associated with OCS related activities. OCSLA Section 1346 mandates the conduct of environmental and socioeconomic studies needed for the assessment and management of environmental impacts on the human, marine, and coastal environments which may be affected by oil and gas or other mineral development. It further states that the Secretary may by agreement utilize, with or without reimbursement, the services, personnel, or facilities of any Federal, State, or local government agency. OCSLA Section 1345 authorizes the use of cooperative agreements with affected States to meet the requirements of OCSLA, including sharing of information, joint utilization of available expertise, formation of joint monitoring arrangements to carry out applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and stipulations relevant to outer Continental Shelf operations both onshore and offshore. The Energy Policy Act of 2005 amended the OCS Lands Act to give authority to the Department of the Interior to coordinate the development of an alternative energy program on the OCS and also to coordinate the energy and non-energy related uses in areas of the OCS where traditional oil and natural gas development already occurs. BOEMRE may use, as appropriate, the aforementioned authorities for specific activities under this agreement and to enter into this cooperative agreement continuing the Gulf Coast CESU to assist in providing research, technical assistance and educational services.

#### ARTICLE III. TERM OF AGREEMENT

- A.1. The effective date of the Gulf Coast CESU Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement is 2 August 2007.
- A.2. The effective date of this Amendment to the Gulf Coast CESU Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement shall be determined from the date of the last signature to this Amendment.

#### ARTICLE IV. KEY OFFICIALS

A.11. The technical representative for the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement is:

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#### ARTICLE V. AWARD

B.2. Upon signature of all parties to this amendment, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement will commit \$10,000 in funds to the Gulf Coast CESU Host University in furtherance of the Agreement, to be authorized by a modification issued against the Agreement.

#### ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES

The following authorizing signatures are attached to this amendment:

- U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
- A. Bureau of Land Management
- B. U.S. Geological Survey
- C. National Park Service
- D. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- E. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- F. U.S. Forest Service, Southern Research Station
- G. Natural Resources Conservation Service

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

- H. Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations and Environment)
- I. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

J. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### K. NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

- L. Texas Agricultural Experiment Station d.b.a. Texas AgriLife Research (Host)
- M. Auburn University
- N. Louisiana State University
- O. Mississippi State University
- P. Texas A&M University Corpus Christi
- Q. Texas A&M University at Galveston
- R. Texas A&M University Kingsville
- S. Troy University
- T. University of Central Florida
- U. University of Florida
- V. University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc.
- W. University of Louisiana at Lafayette
- X. University of Texas, Austin
- Y. The Nature Conservancy of Texas
- Z. Stephen F. Austin State University
- AA. University of New Orleans
- BB. The University of West Florida
- CC. Tarleton State University
- DD. Sul Ross State University
- EE. University of Arkansas at Monticello
- FF. University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture
- GG. Houston Advanced Research Center (HARC)
- HH. Southern University and A&M College
- II. Bat Conservation International
- JJ. University of Texas at Brownsville
- KK. Florida State University
- LL. University of Arkansas Pine Bluff
- MM. Texas AgriLife Extension Service

A. Bureau of Land Management	
Steven Wells Deputy State Director, Eastern States	Date
Velvette Clayton Procurement Analyst	Date

B. U.S. Geological Survey

Sherri Ly Bredesen Contracting Officer Date /

C. National Park Service	
David Vela Regional Director Southeast Region	Date
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D. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

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#### ARTICLE XIV - AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

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