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Dear U.S. Offshore Oil and Gas Industry Leader:

4th Annual COS Safety Leadership Award – Now Accepting Nominations

Since its creation in 2011, the Center for Offshore Safety (COS), has been working with industry stakeholders to promote the highest level of safety for the U.S. offshore oil and gas industry through effective leadership, communication, teamwork, utilization of disciplined management systems, and independent third-party auditing and certification. COS has been working to draw lessons learned from successful, existing safety programs and to stimulate cooperation and sharing amongst industry participants to enhance the collective knowledge of the industry.

One way to promote this sharing has been to recognize those operators and contractors who are willing to share processes and practices that have made a difference in their safety performance. The vision for this program is to encourage and reward outstanding contributions to improving safety management through leadership, communication, and teamwork by industry participants. We encourage all companies with operations in the U.S. offshore oil and gas industry to submit a nomination. Winners will be selected in both the operator and contractor categories.

For consideration in the selection process, nomination forms must be submitted to COS by **Friday, July 21, 2017**. The nomination form is enclosed. All nominations will be reviewed and the COS Board will act as the final selection panel in both the operator and contractor categories. The top three ranked nominees for each award will be asked to present at the COS Forum on September 19 and 20, 2017. The winners will then be announced at a luncheon on the second day of the COS Forum.

Should you have questions or require additional information about the COS Safety Leadership Award Program, contact Brandy Harrington at (832) 781-5691 or harringtonb@centerforoffshoresafety.org.

We look forward to your participation in the 4th Annual COS Safety Leadership Award Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C. R. Williams II". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Center for Offshore Safety



SAFETY LEADERSHIP AWARD PROGRAM

2017 Nomination Form

GENERAL INFORMATION

NOMINEE

Project, Initiative, Program or Publication: _____

Award (please select one):

- Outstanding contribution in 2016/2017 by an **Operator** to the development and sharing of good safety management practices for the U.S. offshore oil and gas industry, or
- Outstanding contribution in 2016/2017 by a **Contractor** to the development and sharing of good safety management practices for the U.S. offshore oil and gas industry

Company Name: _____

Company Address: _____

City: _____

State/Province: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____

Country: _____

Company relationship to offshore oil and gas industry (please select one):

- Owner/Operator/Lease Holder
- Drilling Contractor
- Service/Equipment Provider
- Other: _____

Company Contact for Nominated Project, Initiative, Program or Publication:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Province: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____

Country: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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SELECTION FRAMEWORK

The mission of the Center for Offshore Safety (COS) is to *promote the highest level of safety for the U.S. offshore oil and natural gas industry through effective leadership, communication, teamwork, utilization of disciplined management systems and independent third-party auditing and certification.* The COS Safety Leadership Award Program intends to encourage and reward outstanding contributions to improving safety management and performance through leadership, communication, and teamwork by U.S. offshore oil and gas industry participants.

Two COS Leadership Recognition categories have been identified for 2017:

1. Outstanding contribution in 2016/2017 by an **Operator** to the development and sharing of good safety management practices for the U.S. offshore oil and gas industry
2. Outstanding contribution in 2016/2017 by a **Contractor** to the development and sharing of good safety management practices for the U.S. offshore oil and gas industry

Please address the following selection criteria with clear and concise responses, with a maximum of three typed pages and 1,500 words or fewer.

- Describe how this nominee (project, initiative, program, or publication) represents an achievement or effort beyond a company merely meeting expectations or requirements with respect to safety management.
- Explain how this nominee provides a role-model for the entire industry and inspires other companies to improve offshore safety management.
- Describe how this nominee has advanced industry-wide knowledge of offshore safety management systems or processes.
- Provide documentation of how and when (during 2016/2017) the results of this nominee were shared with the industry.

Ineligible Parties – The following parties are not eligible for nomination:

- Government agencies
- Trade associations
- Academic Institutions
- Center for Offshore Safety

SUBMISSION AND DEADLINE

A company may only submit one nomination. Please send an electronic copy of your completed nomination form, your response to the selection criteria, and any additional documentation to Brandy Harrington at harringtonb@centerforoffshoresafety.org. Upon receipt of the nomination, a confirmation will be sent. If you do not receive this confirmation, please contact COS at 832-495-4925.

The due date for all nominations is **Friday, July 21, 2017**. The 2017 COS Safety Leadership Awards will be presented at the COS Forum in Houston, Texas on September 20, 2017.