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All OEMM Employees:

I am pleased to announce that the MMS Interim Policy Document (IPD) for "Integrity and Code of Conduct for Science, Scientific Assessment, and Other Similar Technical Activities" has been finalized and can now be found on our website. The MMS can now join the list of other DOI Bureaus who have established and released comparable guidelines.

http://www.mms.gov/adm/PFD/IPD_2010_01_BTaylor_4Jan2010.pdf

This IPD was developed with input from across all of the scientific and technical disciplines of the Offshore Energy and Minerals Management (OEMM) Program and establishes a policy on the integrity, a code of conduct, and the responsibility for program implementation for all personnel engaged in any aspect of these activities.

Being a highly technical and scientific program, it is imperative that OEMM's scientific and technical processes, data, and decisions thereof withstand the highest level of scrutiny. While many of the aspects of this IPD are already second nature to us and just "good common sense," please take the time to review these guidelines and be vigilant as to where we may be able to improve.

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