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IN REPLY REFER TO

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December 29, 1978

Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
1717 H St., N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Sir:

This office is preparing a draft environmental statement (DES) for the proposed oil and gas lease sale 56 area located in the South Atlantic-Georgia Embayment. Due to governmental policy, industry interest, public concern, or environmental considerations, the tracts proposed during the call for nominations or actually offered in the proposed lease sale may not encompass this entire area.

It is requested that your agency provide specific information on the study area and the relationship of the proposed Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) oil and gas exploration and development to your agency's concerns and responsibilities. For your convenience, a list of more detailed questions is provided separately.

To facilitate our schedule, it is requested that your comments be forwarded to the Manager, New Orleans OCS Office by March 1, 1979. Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely,

H.P. Sieverding  
Acting Manager

Enclosures  
cc: Washington Office (722)

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### SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

To facilitate our analysis, it is requested that specific and detailed information be provided in the following areas:

- a) identify kinds and amounts of radionuclides present in produced formation waters and the environmental effects of these discharges;
- b) authorizing action required by law or regulation to complete this proposed action;
- c) viable nuclear energy supply alternatives to OCS oil and gas development - description, availability, environmental impacts, costs, etc.;
- d) location of existing or proposed nuclear plants in the coastal zone and size or energy capacity for each;
- e) location of existing or proposed floating or artificial island nuclear plants in coastal zone.

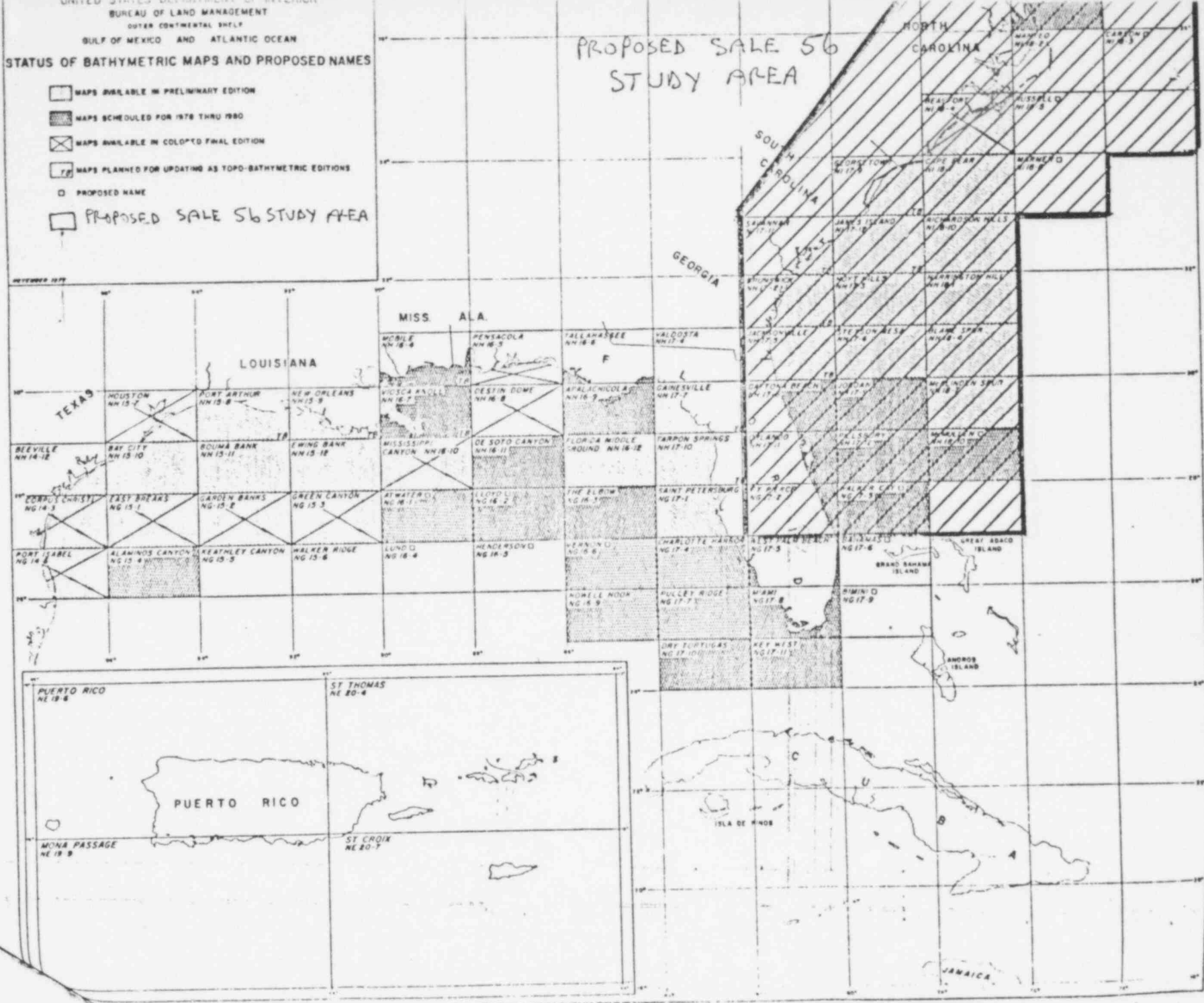
Please provide any additional information not specifically requested that your agency feels would be useful to our analysis.

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STATUS OF BATHYMETRIC MAPS AND PROPOSED NAMES

- MAPS AVAILABLE IN PRELIMINARY EDITION
- MAPS SCHEDULED FOR 1976 THRU 1980
- MAPS AVAILABLE IN COLORED FINAL EDITION
- MAPS PLANNED FOR UPDATING AS TOPO-BATHYMETRIC EDITIONS
- PROPOSED NAME
- PROPOSED SALE 56 STUDY AREA

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