

# Gulf of Mexico

## Contractor Verification Monthly Communication

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Contractor Safety Management

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**This Communication does not require a response.**

Dear GoM Contractor:

This communications update from the BP Gulf of Mexico (GOM) Contractor Safety Management (CSM) Team addresses the following:

- **ISN Employee Expiration Notification**
- **Changes to Hard Barricade and Soft Barricade Safe Work Practice (SWP)**
- **Upload SEMS Safety Programs**

**ISN Employee Expiration Notification:** ISN has created a new approach to help contractors keep up with upcoming training qualification (TQ) expirations. If you would like periodic notifications sent to your email, you can adjust your notification settings using the attached instructions in 'Notifications of TQ Expirations'.

**Changes to Hard Barricade and Soft Barricade Safe Work Practice (SWP):** There have been updates to the BP GoM Region Hard Barricade and Soft Barrier Requirement- Safe Work Practice (SWP). Changes include the following:

- Added "created opening" and "worksite owner" definitions.
- Modified wording on danger zone permissions to replace facility supervisor or PIC with Worksite Owner.
- Removed reference to JSEA and replaced with risk assessment.
- Added section on seeking engineering support if uncertainly exists on meeting the hard barricade requirements.
- Added clarity around the requirement to wear fall protection when entering into an area with a created opening when required by the Working at Heights SWP.
- Added section on eliminating or minimizing the time a created opening is in place.
- Added a requirement to secure the site of an injury/incident investigation scene.
- Added a requirement that all created openings fall under the Danger Zone Hard Barricade requirements.
- Clarified in the purpose and scope that rig floor operations under normal conditions will follow the drilling contractor's red zone management policy.

Please refer to the [Contractor Website](#) in order to review this updated SWP. SWP Revised on 12/10/2014.

**Upload SEMS Safety Programs:** If your company has not already submitted the following safety programs in ISNetworld, please do so.

- SEMS Hazard Analysis (JSA)
- SEMS Incident Investigation
- SEMS Management of Change

The "SEMS" part of the title for these safety programs may be misleading. BP understands that SEMS applies to the Operator. However, these safety programs are a core component of the BP GoM pre-qualification review and are a requirement for all contractors working on BP facilities in the Gulf of Mexico. Exemptions will not be granted for these programs.

Please email the Contractor Verification team at [BPGOMSEMSCV@bp.com](mailto:BPGOMSEMSCV@bp.com) with any questions or concerns about this communication. The CV Project Team is available to address your questions.

Regards,  
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