
Long-Term Environmental Vision for Ultra-Deepwater Exploration and Production Research Forum

Texas A&M University/Global Petroleum Research Institute,
Houston Advanced Research Center & RPSEA

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

8:30 – 8:55 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

- 8:55 a.m. Welcome/Introduction, RPSEA Background and Forum Objectives and Agenda
C. Michael Ming, *RPSEA*
- 9:00 a.m. Setting the Table – What Else Is Going On? What Is It Like on the Ocean Floor?
Greg Boland, *Minerals Management Service*
Dr. Mark Benfield, *Louisiana State University*
Dr. Ian MacDonald, *Texas A&M University Corpus Christi*
- 10:15 a.m. Networking Break
- 10:30 a.m. What's Down There? - Deep Gulf Ecology
Bob Stickney, *Sea Grant*
- 11:00 a.m. Produced Water in the Deep Water – What Happens?
Dr. Quenton Dokken, *Gulf of Mexico Foundation, Inc.*
- 11:30 a.m. On-Site Lunch/Networking
- 12:30 p.m. How Does the Ocean Floor Respond to Discharge?
John Vivic, *Shell Exploration and Production*
Al Hart, *Continental Shelf Associates*
- 1:30 p.m. What's DeepStar Up (or Down) to and How Does It Play?
Chris Haver, *DeepStar*
- 2:00 p.m. Roundtable Discussion
- 2:30 p.m. Adjourn
- 3-5 p.m. RPSEA 2008 Ultra-Deepwater Contracting Process Overview