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NEW ORLEANS — Offshore oil and gas operators in the Gulf of Mexico have evacuated platforms and rigs in the path of Hurricane Isaac. The Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) Hurricane Response Team is activated and monitoring the operators’ activities. The team will continue to work with offshore operators and other state and federal agencies until operations return to normal and the storm is no longer a threat to Gulf of Mexico oil and gas activities. 

As part of ongoing monitoring, BSEE reports that all dynamically positioned drilling rigs in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico moved off location prior to the storm and have been accounted for by BSEE District staff. Through real-time monitoring capabilities, BSEE can confirm that as of 11:30 a.m. CDT today all mobile offshore drilling units (MODUs) in the U.S Gulf of Mexico are keeping station. MODUs include both jackup and moored drilling rigs. 

Based on data from offshore operator reports submitted as of 11:30 a.m., the