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Program Manager's Report

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This constitutes the quarterly report for the first quarter of Program Year 15 of the Southern California Educational Initiative, a cooperative research agreement between the Minerals Management Service, the state of California and the University of California.

As of this quarter, 1 project currently is being conducted under the aegis of the Southern California Educational Initiative.

Actions Pending MMS Approval:

- We are waiting for MMS comments on the Draft Final Report for the project *Species-level Identification of Infaunal Samples and the Relationship Between Taxonomic Aggregation and the Before-After/Control-Impact Paired Series Assessment Design*, Holbrook et al, PIs.

Major programmatic progress and actions during the quarter are summarized below for the period of July 1 – September 30, 2003.

- The Draft Final Report, *Species-level Identification of Infaunal Samples and the Relationship Between Taxonomic Aggregation and the Before-After/Control-Impact Paired Series Assessment Design*, was completed and submitted to MMS for review. The Final report will be formatted and submitted to MMS next quarter in hard copy and PDF formats.
- A Draft Final Report for the project, *Early Development of Fouling Communities on Offshore Oil Platforms*, will be submitted to MMS for review next quarter.

Early Development of Fouling Communities on Offshore Oil Platforms

Principal Investigators: H. Mark Page, Jenifer Dugan, and Jason Bram, Marine Science Institute,
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Major Accomplishments, July 1, 2003 – September 30, 2003

A master's thesis and a manuscript on the results from this study are in preparation.

Upcoming work

A master's thesis and manuscript for publication based on the results will be written before December 1st, 2003. A Draft Final Report will be submitted to MMS next quarter.

Problems Encountered: None

MMS Action Required: None

Estimated Percentage of Budget Expended:

Project Year 1	100%
Project Year 2	100%
Project Year 3	98%