The GPI+

*The Gulf Permit Index: A Report on New Well Permit Issuance and Plan Approvals*

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**GPI+ through June 30, 2013**

**Permits**

In April 2013, 4 deep-water permits were issued, a decrease of 2 permits (33%) from the one-year historical average*, and a decrease of 3 permits (43%) from the three-year historical average**. In May 2013, 3 deep-water permits were issued, a decrease of 3 permits (50%) from the one-year historical average*, and a decrease of 4 permits (57%) from the three-year historical average**.

In June 2013, 5 deep-water permits were issued, a decrease of 1 permits (17%) from the one-year historical average*, and a decrease of 2 permits (29%) from the three-year historical average**.

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**Deep Water - Approved New Permits**

[Graph showing the number of deep water permits issued from January 2010 to April 2013.]

- Year Prior to Oil Spill Avg. = 6/mo.
- Three-Month Avg. = 4/mo.

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In April 2013, 4 shallow-water permits were issued, representing a decrease of 3 permits (43%) from the 1-year historical average*, and representing an 11-permit decrease (73%) from the 3-year historical average**. In May 2013, 10 shallow-water permit were issued, an increase of 3 permits (43%) from the 1-year historical average*, and a 5-permit decrease (33%) from the 3-year historical average**. In June 2013, 3 shallow-water permits were issued, a decrease of 4 permits (57%) from the 1-year historical average*, and a 12-permit decrease (80%) from the 3-year historical average**.

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**Shallow Water - Approved New Permits**

[Graph showing the number of shallow water permits issued from January 2010 to April 2013.]

- Year Prior to Oil Spill Avg. = 7/mo.
- Three-Month Avg. = 6/mo.

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* Denotes the monthly average observed in the year prior to the oil spill ** Denotes the monthly average observed in the three years prior to the oil spill

Data sourced from Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) and Bureau of Energy Management (BOEM), and IHS Drilling Data.
In April 2013, the average approval time for a plan was 101 days, representing an increase of 66% from the historical average of 61 days. In May 2013, the average approval time for a plan was 106 days, representing an increase of 74% from the historical average of 61 days. In June 2013, the average approval time for a plan was 104 days, representing an increase of 71% from the historical average of 61 days.