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Subject: BP
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Thank you very much Michael and Mike for meeting with us today.

We look forward to meeting with your team next week. I will work with Mike to land a meeting date/time.

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Best regards,

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From: Michael Zehr [██████████@hbwresources.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 12:05 PM
To: Panelo, Marcelo; Ellis, Joe
Cc: Michael Whatley
Subject: EGOM Follow up

Good seeing you guys this morning! I will be following up with the invite to the OTC event with Zinke. I also wanted to share some of our recent activity regarding EGOM since we discussed it briefly. Below is an update on an article that ran today based on Nelson's comments and CEA's letter. Thought this would be of interest. Look forward to talking to you guys soon.

Thanks,
Michael Zehr
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UPDATE:

Following the transmittal of letters from 24 of Florida's 29 congressional delegation members calling on the Trump administration to keep the Eastern Gulf off limits to energy development (see [here](#) and [here](#)), CEA-Florida Executive Director Kevin Doyle transmitted a [letter](#) to each of the members' DC and district offices to underscore the benefits of Eastern Gulf development for families and small businesses across Florida and the United States.

Media coverage is starting to pick up on the letter, with UPI filing the story below this morning. Please note: Nelson DID NOT author/support GOMESA. The reporter is in error on that point.

We will keep you posted on further developments, and please let us know if you have any questions.

Florida lawmaker fending off calls for oil and gas drilling

The Consumer Energy Alliance tells Florida Sen. Bill Nelson to end an offshore drilling moratorium

By Daniel J. Graeber, UPI
April 12, 2017 at 6:25 AM

<http://www.upi.com/Florida-lawmaker-fending-off-calls-for-oil-and-gas-drilling/2991491989086/>

April 12 (UPI) -- Amid calls for more oil and gas drilling, a Democratic senator in Florida said he was "beating back" pressure for exploration in the Gulf of Mexico.

Industry groups like the American Petroleum Institute have praised executive orders from President Donald Trump that favor the oil and gas industry. With changes in Washington, Kevin Doyle, the Florida director of the Consumer Energy Alliance, said in a message sent to UPI that he called on state leaders to evaluate the potential for oil and gas exploration in the waters off the western coast of Florida.

By Doyle's estimates, state coffers could be bolstered for the benefit of Florida residents struggling with medical bills and dwindling pensions.

"A strong and growing constituency in Florida supports understanding how energy development could help lower their month expenses and improve their standard of living," Doyle said in a letter to Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla. "We ask you to work with Florida's families and business leaders to find the balance between environmental protection and security and energy independence that we know can happen for the benefit of all Floridians and Americans."

Nelson helped push bipartisan legislation in 2006 that banned oil and drilling in the state waters of the Gulf of Mexico through 2022. A measure introduced in January calls for an extension of that moratorium for another five years.

Nelson's original bill was enacted in part to ensure the coastal environment in Florida is protected from oil spills. In 2015, a bipartisan measure was introduced to ensure any foreign party responsible for an oil spill would cover cleanup costs should contamination reach U.S. territory.

In 2012, Mexican regulators said they didn't have effective plans in place to deal with an offshore oil spill. With diplomatic doors opening to Cuba, Florida lawmakers at the time said concerns were evolving as Havana reviews its offshore oil potential.

Officials at the community level were cited by local media as saying few Florida constituents were actually in favor of drilling in the Gulf of Mexico. According to political website Saint Peters Blog, Nelson said he was determined to keep Florida waters off limits to oil and gas companies.

"Increasingly we have threats to drill in the Gulf of Mexico off the west coast of Florida, and it's getting to the point that I have to keep beating back these attempts," he was quoted as saying.

Thanks,

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