The Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) of 2006 (Pub. Law 109-432) enhances Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) oil and gas leasing activities and revenue sharing in the Gulf of Mexico. It shares leasing revenues with Gulf producing states (Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas) and the Land & Water Conservation Fund for coastal restoration projects, coastal conservation, and hurricane protection.

Figure 1. Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) Areas

There are two phases of GOMESA revenue sharing:

**Phase I:** Beginning in Fiscal Year 2007, 37.5 percent of all qualified OCS revenues, including bonus bids, rentals and production royalty, will be shared among the four States and their coastal political subdivisions from those new leases issued in the 181 Area in the Eastern planning area and the 181
South Area. Additionally, 12.5 percent of revenues are allocated to the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF).

**Phase II:** The second phase of GOMESA revenue sharing begins in Fiscal Year 2017. It expands the definition of qualified OCS revenues to include receipts from GOM leases issued either after December 20, 2006 in the 181 Call Area, or in 2002–2007 GOM Planning Areas subject to withdrawal or moratoria restrictions.

**GOMESA Revenue-Sharing Allocations** (shown below) and other statistical information can be found at [http://statistics.onrr.gov/](http://statistics.onrr.gov/) under Common Data Summaries.

![Figure 2. Disbursements for All States FY 2009 – FY 2012](image1)

![Figure 3. Louisiana’s Disbursements for FY 2012](image2)