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Subject: State of American Energy and Offshore Drilling

Dear Kevin,

Hopefully many of you were able to watch the [2018 State of American Energy address](#) given by Jack Gerard, President and CEO of American Petroleum Institute.

Capt. McCormick, USA (ret.) with
Vets4Energy.

Please share that link with those you know so that they too can better understand the current thinking about American energy. I will be discussing this address on [my personal Facebook page](#) (must be logged in to see it) and I encourage you to join the conversation.

In coming months, you can expect to hear me ask a bit more from you as we advocate for energy policies that promote national security. We are Soldiers... and Sailors, Airman, Coast Guard and Marines! We are trained to respond when a need exists and America needs you to continue to serve.

This time your fight is for strong energy policies and education of the public. I will be asking you to keep current on energy issues, write articles for opinion pieces (which we can help you with), and perhaps contact your elected officials. Nothing I ask will be too difficult or take much time, but the impact will be tremendous!

Having good policies will help ensure robust American energy production and strong national security by reducing our reliance on foreign energy resources.

Your first task is to write a Public Comment to support more offshore energy development to our Administration's Bureau of Ocean and Energy (BOEM).

[Send your personalized comment to BOEM now](#) .

Today, 94 percent of federal offshore acreage is off-limits to oil and natural gas development. The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) issued a "2019-2024 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Draft Proposed Program" that would open these areas, which will strengthen America's role as a global energy superpower and bolster our national security.

BOEM is [accepting public comments](#) about this proposed program now through March 9, 2018.

Visit [Vets4Energy to see more about the proposal](#) and gain insight about drafting / sending comments.

If you send a comment, we encourage you to send a copy to your congressional delegation as well. If you send a comment, let me know at info@vets4energy.com.

VIRGINIA VETERANS: If you are in the Richmond, VA area, I encourage you to attend a public meeting about this BOEM program on Thursday, January 17, 2018 from 3-7 pm EST at Four Points by Sheraton Richmond Airport (4700 South Labumam Ave, Richmond VA 23231). A schedule of [future meetings across the country](#) is available.

I look forward to hearing from, and working with you in 2018!

Capt. James McCormick, USA (ret.)
Program Director, Vets4Energy

If you have questions or comments, or would like to get more involved in Vets4Energy, you can reply to this email or use the CONTACT US button on our website.

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