MSIB 20-01 provided an overview of guidance and continues to be relevant with our approach to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). However, to avoid duplication of reporting for confirmed COVID-19 cases to both the Coast Guard D8 OCS OCMI and the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE), BSEE has developed the capability for the offshore industry to report confirmed cases of COVID-19 via their electronic eWell permitting and reporting system.

As a result, confirmed cases of COVID-19 no longer need to be reported directly to the Coast Guard if they are entered into the BSEE eWell system, available at: https://ewell.bsee.gov/ewell/.

The Coast Guard is coordinating daily with the BSEE New Orleans Regional Office to maintain situational awareness and mitigate the risk of exposure for our inspectors and offshore workers.

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