Federal offshore energy production is vitally important to the Gulf Coast States of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama – and to the nation as a whole. Roughly one-fifth of U.S. oil production comes from the Gulf. So why would we ever want to shut it down?

Unfortunately, that’s exactly what some leading political figures and special interest groups have called for this election season. In a new report, we take them at their word, and quantify the impacts of their “keep it in the ground” approach to federal offshore energy production in the Gulf Coast States.

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**ACCORDING TO OUR ANALYSIS:**

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