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Chapter 2: Organization Structure and Functions

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2.1 Basic Organization. The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is headquartered in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, with three regional offices (see attached organization chart). The BOEM's responsibility is fixed through legislation and Secretarial assignments, orders, and delegations except for certain advisory, planning, and information functions that support the Director in performing his/her public responsibilities.

2.2 Executive Direction. The Director is the Chief Executive Officer of BOEM. The Deputy Director is the Chief Financial Officer, assists the Director in managing the programs and activities of the Bureau, and acts in the absence of the Director. The Director is also assisted by four staff offices.

2.3 Ocean Energy Management Functions. The BOEM is responsible for offshore energy and mineral-related activities (e.g., oil, gas, renewable energy, sand, salt, sulphur, and critical minerals) that include resource evaluation, environmental review, leasing activities (including public input and planning functions), lease management, review of company plans and permits, and operational risk management. It is also responsible for authorizing activities that involve the alternate use of Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act-permitted facilities. The Occupational Safety and Health Program functions for BOEM employees are provided by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement.

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