The damages to the Gulf of Mexico (GOM) natural resources due to Gulf of Mexico (GOMOS) will take some time to be cleaned up and the restoration period to get the resources back to their original pre-GOMOS status is still indefinite. In the meantime, the production of goods and services by economic sectors located in the GOM states will be adversely affected leading to possible reduction in the levels of economic activity, employment and personal income, and tax revenues.

In order to understand the magnitude of the potential economic impacts of GOMOS to the Oil and Gas Pipeline and Related Structures Construction industry in Mississippi, multi-year baseline economic information about the sector is compiled from various secondary sources.

The “Oil and Gas Pipeline and Related Structures Construction” sector corresponds to economic sector number 237120 in the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS). This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in the construction of oil and gas lines, mains, refineries, and storage tanks. The work performed may include new work, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and repairs. Specialty trade contractors are included in this group if they are engaged in activities primarily related to oil and gas pipeline and related structures construction. All structures (including buildings) that are integral parts of oil and gas networks (e.g., storage tanks, pumping stations, and refineries) are included in this industry.

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