surveillance on the rig floor from the beginning of drilling operations until
the well is completed or abandoned, un-
less you have secured the well with
blowout preventers (BOPs), bridge
plugs, cement plugs, or packers;
(d) Use personnel trained according
to the provisions of subpart O; and
(e) Use and maintain equipment and
materials necessary to ensure the safe-
ty and protection of personnel, equip-
ment, natural resources, and the envi-
ronment.
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§ 250.402 When and how must I secure
a well?
Whenever you interrupt drilling oper-
ations, you must install a downhole
safety device, such as a cement plug,
bridge plug, or packer. You must in-
stall the device at an appropriate depth
within a properly cemented casing
string or liner.
(a) Among the events that may cause
you to interrupt drilling operations are:
(1) Evacuation of the drilling crew;
(2) Inability to keep the drilling rig
on location; or
(3) Repair to major drilling or well-
control equipment.
(b) For floating drilling operations,
the District Manager may approve the
use of blind or blind-shear rams or pipe
rams and an inside BOP if you don’t
have time to install a downhole safety
device or if special circumstances
occur.
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§ 250.403 What drilling unit move-
ments must I report?
(a) You must report the movement of
all drilling units on and off drilling lo-
cations to the District Manager. This
includes both MODU and platform rigs.
You must inform the District Manager
24 hours before:
(1) The arrival of an MODU on loca-
tion;
(2) The movement of a platform rig
to a platform;
(3) The movement of a platform rig
to another slot;
(4) The movement of an MODU to an-
other slot; and
(5) The departure of an MODU from

§ 250.405 What are the safety require-
ments for diesel engines used on a
drilling rig?
You must equip each diesel engine
with an air take device to shut down
the diesel engine in the event of a run-
away.
(a) For a diesel engine that is not
continuously manned, you must equip
the engine with an automatic shut-
down device;
(b) For a diesel engine that is con-
tinuously manned, you may equip the
engine with either an automatic or re-

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§ 250.404 What are the requirements
for the crown block?
You must have a crown block safety
device that prevents the traveling
block from striking the crown block.
You must check the device for proper
operation at least once per week and
after each drill-line slipping operation
and record the results of this oper-
tional check in the driller’s report.
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