

## PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 USC § 2714(c)) ("OPA"), please be advised of the following information:

A well, which is located in Mississippi Canyon Block 252 in the Gulf of Mexico and had been drilled by the mobile offshore drilling unit DEEPWATER HORIZON, has been named as the source of an oil discharge that commenced around 10:00 pm CDT on or about April 20, 2010. This spill impacted the Mississippi Canyon area, and continues to potentially affect the Gulf Coast of the United States. As the spill is ongoing, the quantity of oil involved is undetermined.

BP Exploration & Production Inc. ("BP Exploration") is accepting claims for certain uncompensated damages and removal costs caused by the spill. Costs and damages that may be compensated pursuant to OPA include removal costs; damage to or loss to real or personal property; loss of subsistence use of natural resources; loss of government revenues; loss of profits and earnings capacity; and damages for net costs of providing increased public services.

BP Exploration has established a toll-free, hotline number for claims: **1-800-440-0858**. This hotline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The claims procedure is as follows: Personnel at the call center will provide each caller with information on how to submit a claim. Each claim will be assigned to an adjuster, and the claim will be promptly investigated and evaluated. Claims for lost income or lost profits will be evaluated promptly. The adjuster will require some substantiation of income impacted by the spill, but will make reasonable effort to keep the documentation requirements to a minimum. Reasonable effort will also be made to act on lost income claims within 48 hours of receipt. Larger and more complex claims may require additional investigation and documentation prior to evaluation and resolution. Resolved claims will be paid promptly.

Claims may be presented for interim, short-term damages representing less than the full amount to which the claimant ultimately may be entitled. Please note that payment of such claims shall not preclude recovery for damages not reflected in the paid or settled partial claims.

Any claims that are denied or that are not resolved within 90 days after the date of submission to the BP Exploration claims representative may be submitted to the US COAST GUARD STOP 7100 (ca), 4200 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1000, Arlington, Virginia 20598-7100 for consideration.