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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2009 9:48 PM  
**To:** DWH, AsstDriller (Deepwater Horizon); DWH, Toolpusher (Deepwater Horizon)  
**Subject:** FW: Verbal approval mud weight increase

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MMS approval below...

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**From:** Burns, Tim A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2009 3:47 PM  
**To:** Sepulvado, Ronald W; Sepulvado, Murry R; Reed, James T; Deepwater Horizon, Formen; Deepwater Horizon, Engineers  
**Cc:** Skelton, Jake; Guide, John; Bellow, Jonathan M; Douglas, Scherie D; Leroy, Andy; Brewton, James G; Sullivan, Mike P (NAX DWX); Kasten, Robert K; Mitchell, Paul; Bodek, Robert  
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**Recommendation from Houston Team:**

- (1) Increase MW to 10.8 ppg;
- (2) Drill ahead until 11,000' MD/TVD (planned 18" liner point) **OR** until an additional MW **above 10.8 ppg** is required -- WHICHEVER is SOONER;
- (3) If need to weight up above 10.8 ppg prior to 11,000' MD/TVD, this will be 18" liner point. If required, dust up MW to 10.9 ppg (one tenth) prior to POOH for 18" liner;
- (4) If encounter any additional inclusions within 250' of interval TD (including bottoms up samples), let's discuss drilling additional footage to ensure we have sufficient room to get any inclusions covered with the 18" liner;

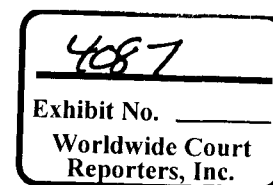
Any questions, let's discuss.

Thanks,  
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**From:** Douglas, Scherie D  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2009 3:12 PM  
**To:** Burns, Tim A; Skelton, Jake; Deepwater Horizon, Formen; 'murray.sepulvado@bp.com'  
**Cc:** Powell, Heather (JC Connor Consulting)  
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Verbal approval from Guy Thibodeaux, MMS Lake Charles, to increase mud weight up to 10.9 ppg. Note approval on IADC.

Scherie Douglas  
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