From: Marc Edwards

Sent: Wed Sep 08 17:45:27 2010 To: Cathy Mann; Thomas Roth

Subject: Re: \*\*MEDIA STMT\*\* for clarification

Importance: Normal

Do we have confirmation that these tests were communicated to BP? Their report indicates not...

Also, the final para suggests to the layman that we simply follow orders, even if they are wrong. I know this was our position initially as we needed to emphasize our indemnity position from a contractual perspective but I don't think it is required now. In the CG testimony, BP have hit is with the suggestion that we should have resisited performing the work if we felt their instruction was wrong...

From: Cathy Mann

To: Thomas Roth; Marc Edwards Sent: Wed Sep 08 17:37:03 2010

Subject: RE: \*\*MEDIA STMT\*\* for clarification

Thanks to both ----- So if we're to provide a brief follow-up statement to the media, can we say the following:

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For clarification, the components of the casing shoe track and related wiper plug were equipment provided to BP by suppliers other than Halliburton.

Further, Halliburton prepared all pre-job cement design work in accordance with API recommended practices. Halliburton performed spacer compatibility tests with both mud and cement, and foam stability tests in designing the cement slurry for the production casing. These laboratory tests were performed successfully and provided to BP prior to the cement slurry being pumped for the Macondo well project.

While Halliburton continues to cooperate with all governmental investigations, the company remains confident that its work on the well was in accordance with the well owner's design and all instructions received.

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From: Thomas Roth

Sent: Wednesday, September 08, 2010 5:16 PM

To: Cathy Mann; Marc Edwards

Cc: Sandy Hardy

Subject: RE: \*\*MEDIA STMT\*\* for clarification

Cathy:

Below are my revised statements:

The "casing shoe track" is defined by the reamer shoe, the bottom four joints of steel casing and the double valve float collar. All casing equipment and the cement wiper plugs used on this well were provided to BP by suppliers other than Halliburton. In placing cement into the well, cement is pumped through the casing followed by a rubber wiper plug. The wiper plug is pumped through the steel casing to the float collar. This forces cement into the annulus and leaves cement in the four bottom most joints of the casing to anchor the steel pipe in the bottom of the well.

Halliburton prepared all pre-job cement design work in accord with API recommended practices. Spacer compatibility tests were performed with both mud and cement. Foam

stability tests were also performed in designing cement for the production casing.

From: Cathy Mann

Sent: Wednesday, September 08, 2010 4:27 PM

To: Marc Edwards; Thomas Roth

Cc: Sandy Hardy

Subject: \*\*MEDIA STMT\*\* for clarification

Importance: High

I believe some of the reporting re: cementing including the shoe track is not clear in media reports today and I think it would be helpful to clarify that. Finally, with regard to our statement re: testing and Marc's earlier comment, I added the cement testing that we conducted per earlier discussions with Tommy. Can you please confirm/clarify the language in the highlighted sentences below so we may finalize and provide to some of the media? Tim and Mark McCollum are in agreement with providing this additional color to some of the media who have asked. Please let me know if you have questions, etc. Thanks.

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Upon further review of BP's internal report as published earlier today, Halliburton (NYSE: HAL) noticed a number of substantial omissions and inaccuracies in the document.

For clarification, the cementing shoe track is not part of Halliburton's equipment or cementing services performed as it was provided by another contractor to the well owner.

Further, Halliburton's cementing slurry passed successfully the foam stability testing as well as mud spacing cement compatibility testing. These tests are part of Halliburton's Cementing Best Practices and were performed in accordance with API specifications prior to the cement slurry being pumped for the Macondo well project.

While Halliburton continues to cooperate with all governmental investigations, the company remains confident that its work on the well was in accordance with the well owner's design and all instructions received.

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