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### Top Kill Operation

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Dear Admiral Landry:

On May 21, 2010, a meeting was held at the Unified Area Command (the "UAC") post in Robert, Louisiana, and via teleconference, the Houston Incident Command Post (the "Houston ICP") to discuss the Momentum Kill Pumping Operation (the "Top Kill Operation"). The objective of the meeting was to establish the prerequisites for the Top Kill Operation, high level overview of the operations, key decision points as well as significant risks. I know Captain Little will have reviewed with you what was discussed at the meeting. The purpose of this letter is to provide a summary of the prerequisites, the operations and the risks associated with the Top Kill Operation.

#### The prerequisites for the Top Kill Operation are:

- (1) 18" Casing cemented in place on the MC252 #3 Relief well.
- (2) Continuous subsea dispersant application in place to mitigate VoCs around the Top Kill Operation vessels.
- (3) Procedures and Equipment in place ready to remove the riser from the top of the Deepwater Horizon BOP.
- (4) Transocean Development Driller II ready to run their BOP on top of the Deepwater Horizon BOP.
- (5) Ability to monitor the subsea pressures at the choke and kill lines as well as at the base of the Deepwater Horizon BOP