

BP's Top Management Knew It Had No Source Control Plan

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A. In line with the rest of the industry, we did not have a plan to intervene to prevent flow in the subsea until the relief well was there.

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A. We had significant equipment available on the surface, in -- in the guise of the marine spill response corporation, which is an industry body. It was supplemented significantly in the course of the response. And, in essence, because the intervention in our Response Plan was relief wells, and because we believe this risk had been mitigated, and it hadn't occurred for over 25 years, the industry had been exploring deepwater for 20 years, the ability to intervene in the subsea was not in any way, shape, or form complete.

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