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The Honorable Kenneth Salazar
Secretary of the Department of the Interior
1849 C Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Re: Macondo Well

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I'm sorry that I was unable to attend your meeting last Thursday evening. Our President and Chief Operating Officer, Al Walker, was able to attend for us and reported to me the discussion that took place.

I want you to know that I am prepared to assist your office in any way that is needed. Anadarko is a 25 percent non-operating working interest owner in the Macondo well, having become a lease owner after drilling of the well had commenced. After learning of the accident, we have stayed in touch with BP and have contributed several of our best technical experts to work with an industry-wide team at BP on efforts to close the blowout preventers and to otherwise contain the flow of oil. Select members of our executive team are also working with BP's top folks in Houston in an attempt to understand BP's go-forward plan and offer constructive advice whenever possible. I personally toured the offshore wellsite yesterday, via helicopter, to make sure we are fully prepared to help and respond. As members of several oil spill response consortiums, we have assigned our spill response assets to assist in the clean-up efforts. I also want you to understand that, as a non-operating owner, we didn't have input into the design of the well, procedures or vendor/equipment selection as those are all functions of BP as operator.

I am very proud of Anadarko's safety and environmental track record in the deepwater Gulf of Mexico. Anadarko is committed to understanding the causes of this incident and believe that we can help assure the Administration that remedial measures that may be taken are valid.

Please know that I am at your disposal.

Warmest regards

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