

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**IN RE: OIL SPILL BY THE OIL RIG MDL NO. 2179
“DEEPWATER HORIZON” IN THE
GULF OF MEXICO, ON APRIL 20, 2010**

**THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:
ALL CASES**

SECTION “J”

JUDGE BARBIER

**STIPULATION REGARDING “WELL ADVISOR” USE BY TRANSOCEAN FOR
MACONDO**

1. Attached as Deposition Exhibit 4686 to this Stipulation is a true copy of Transocean’s “Well Advisor” tool. This exhibit, together with its native form Excel file (TRN-MDL-00867751.xls), are stipulated to be business records of Transocean and admissible in evidence, along with this Stipulation.
2. The Well Advisor is a spreadsheet tool, authored by Transocean’s Well Operations Group, available to be used, at their discretion, by a Transocean senior drilling crew and/or the rig manager performance to assist in evaluating a customer’s well design planning.

3. For Macondo, Transocean's vessel management (both on the rig and shoreside) elected to use Well Advisor to evaluate the well's kick tolerance on or about February 6, 2010, when the DEEPWATER HORIZON was at MC 252 and about to commence drilling operations. Other spreadsheet tabs of Well Advisor (Well Review Checklist, Well Overview, Maximum Pressure @ BOP & Surface, Pore Pressure, Mud, & Fracture Pressure Chart, Well Control Preparation Checklist) were not used by Transocean at Macondo.

4. Also attached to this Stipulation are Deposition Exhibits 4902 and 5696, email strings dated February 2010, and an Well Advisor spreadsheet that reflects the kick tolerance evaluation undertaken and described in Paragraph 3 of this Stipulation. These exhibits are true copies, are business records of Transocean, and are stipulated to be admissible in evidence.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing pleading has been served on All Counsel by electronically uploading the same to Lexis Nexis File & Serve in accordance with Pretrial Order No. 12, and that the foregoing was electronically filed with the Clerk of Court of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana by using the CM/ECF System, which will send a notice of electronic filing in accordance with the procedures established in MDL 2179, on this 28th day of November, 2011.

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