

From: Crane, Allison
Sent: Mon Mar 29 20:23:20 2010
To: Smith, Sidney; Couch, Thomas E; Hensley, Larry B; Breen, David D
Bcc: Crane, Allison
Subject: RE: PO 4540078130 Approval Request
Importance: Normal

We are under a lot of pressure to get this ready to go by this weekend and have already ordered special crossovers to accommodate the Nexen pipe. We've never bought from Nexen before either. We don't normally buy directly from other operators except in emergencies. We don't have time to quiz every operator or distributor and Chevron has already had a chance to respond via STA. Also, Nexen has the float equipment needed to go with this pipe.

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From: Smith, Sidney
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2010 3:08 PM
To: Couch, Thomas E; Hensley, Larry B; Breen, David D
Cc: Crane, Allison
Subject: RE: PO 4540078130 Approval Request
Thanks Tom, looks like we are stuck...One last ditch, Chevron has some in stock, don't know about the threads yet, lets give them an hour or so to get back.
I have not bought from Nexen before, have you? Assume they have the mill certs, etc.

From: Couch, Thomas E
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2010 2:59 PM
To: Smith, Sidney; Hensley, Larry B; Breen, David D
Cc: Crane, Allison
Subject: RE: PO 4540078130 Approval Request
Importance: High

Got the urgent requirement Thursday, March 25th and sent out email to current suppliers and the STA. Got all responses on Friday, March 26. Started working with Nexen on Friday afternoon. They finally agreed to sell on Saturday, March 27. Did not try Sooner. Champion responded via the STA. Manufacture of pipe is US Steel. Steve Morey reviewed and approved the MTRs. The emergency was ASAP. Macondo had to change well program due to hole conditions and lost circulation and stuck pipe issues. They do not think they can reach Target Depth with current casing program. They need the pipe this week and may run it

this weekend or Monday. We still have to inspect the pipe and assemble the cementing equipment on this pipe. Just not enough time to do more sourcing research .
Nexen will not release the pipe to us for inspection without the PO.
Sorry, Sid. Just not enough time.

Regards,

Tom Couch

From: Smith, Sidney

Sent: Monday, March 29, 2010 2:38 PM

To: Hensley, Larry B; Couch, Thomas E; Breen, David D

Subject: RE: PO 4540078130 Approval Request

Did we try Sooner, US Steel, Champion, etc. would like to verify the distributor list also the manufacture of the pipe. Steve Morey have any ideas or Tuboscope? Sometimes they will have a customer that will swap....
What is the emergency & when is it needed? As much info as you have much appreciated in case I get asked the questions.

Thanks,

Sid

From: Hensley, Larry B

Sent: Monday, March 29, 2010 2:25 PM

To: Smith, Sidney; Couch, Thomas E; Breen, David D

Subject: RE: PO 4540078130 Approval Request

Sid,

I contacted both Premier and Petro Amigos and got negative responses for the pipe needed. Both by e-mail and phone.

Larry

From: Smith, Sidney

Sent: Monday, March 29, 2010 2:15 PM

To: Couch, Thomas E; Breen, David D

Cc: Hensley, Larry B

Subject: RE: PO 4540078130 Approval Request

Please advise which vendors were contacted and how they were contacted, your earliest.

Thanks,

Sid

From: Couch, Thomas E

Sent: Monday, March 29, 2010 2:04 PM

To: Breen, David D; Smith, Sidney

Cc: Hensley, Larry B

Subject: PO 4540078130 Approval Request

Importance: High

David, Sid,

Attached is PO 4540078130, which is an emergency order for some unplanned casing for the Macondo #1 Well Project.

The request for this 7" casing was sent out to all our known suppliers and the STA. The only response that met the requirement was from Nexen Petroleum. They had the exact requirement in stock. It was also located in South Louisiana. We will accept only good footage with MTR documents.

This an emergency order that Nexen will only release to us after receipt of the purchase order.

Please Approve as soon as possible and return to me. We need to start our inspections. Also attached is a copy of the approved requisition.

<< File: PO 4540078130 NEXEN 7" casing.pdf >> << File: 7" Macondo - 7 In Casing Requisition - Approved - 03-29-2010.pdf >>

Thanks,

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