

May 19, 2010

Mr. David J. Lesar  
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Dear Mr. Lesar:

As the economic and environmental calamity resulting from the April 20, 2010 explosion on board the Deepwater Horizon continues to unfold, the Judiciary Committee is conducting an examination into the legal liability issues surrounding the Gulf coast oil disaster. We will be holding a hearing on May 27, 2010 to further our understanding of these issues and take testimony from representatives of the affected parties. In order to assist the Committee with its preparation for the hearing, I request that you produce any and all documents in your possession that are responsive to the list enclosed with this letter.

Please provide the requisite information by close of business on Monday, May 24, 2010, by delivering a copy to the Judiciary Committee office, 2138 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 (tel: 202-225-3951; fax: 202-225-7680). Please contact Eric Tamarkin on my staff at the Judiciary Committee if you have any questions.

I appreciate your cooperation and look forward to your timely production of the requested documents as the Committee examines this critically important matter.

Sincerely,

John Conyers, Jr.  
Chairman

Enclosure

cc: Hon. Lamar S. Smith

## Information Requested

1. The amount and type of insurance or indemnity coverage that you believe may cover in whole or in part any expenses or liabilities resulting from the explosion of the Deepwater Horizon (DWH) and subsequent oil spill and clean up, including but not limited to workers compensation policies, general liability policies, environmental liability policies, directors and officers policies that protect company employees from negligence suits, and umbrella policies.
2. All documents relating to releases that seek to waive, limit, or satisfy any rights to seek relief for current or future injuries or claims that have been or are being offered by either the company or its insurers to the company's own employees, other workers or contractors on the DWH, individuals or companies adversely impacted by the subsequent oil spill, or residents of the Gulf Coast region engaged in clean-up work with or without compensation. This request includes, but is not limited to, any and all documents related to the following:
  - a. The number of releases entered into and the number sought, but not entered into;
  - b. Whether any releases remain operative;
  - c. The names and positions of those employees who ordered the use of releases and implemented the release program.
  - d. Any considerations regarding the use of releases, including any action regarding releases by the company's insurer or a related entity;
  - e. The terms of any such releases.
3. All documents relating to awareness of the potential for an explosion or a leak on the DWH, or of the potential for any problems with any component or aspect of the oil drilling system. All documents relating to consideration of potential risks of oil leakage, fire, or explosion and countermeasures with respect to offshore drilling and production of oil and gas.
4. All documents, including supporting court documents, relating to all litigation, adjudications, and settlements with respect to claims made against the company from the year 2000 to present under the Death on the High Seas Act (46 U.S.C. § 30301- 08); The Jones Act, section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920 (46 U.S.C. § 883); The Limitation of Liability Act (46 U.S.C. § 181); and the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C. § 2701-2761).
5. All correspondence between you and the Coast Guard, BP, Minerals Management Service, Cameron, Transocean, or Tidewater and any documents that you provided it or received from it, related to the explosion.
6. All witness statements related to the explosion.
7. Safety policies and procedures in effect on board the DWH on the date of incident including, but not limited to, safety policies and procedures with respect to the operation of DWH's BOP.
8. All records of all cementing work, including setting of cement plugs, conducted by you

relating to the DWH in April 2010.

9. All records of all cementation tests conducted in April 2010.