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SafeGulf Operator Endorsement

Gulf of Mexico Contractors Working with BP, Chevron, Shell and ExxonMobil:

BP, Chevron, Shell and ExxonMobil have been actively involved over the last several years in the development of consistent, minimum health, safety and the environment (HSE) training requirements for the contractor community. The team that the operators have been supporting is known as SafeGulf.

Under SafeGulf, all contractors must fulfill the SafeGulf minimum HSE training requirements prior to working on operator premises in the Gulf of Mexico. The key elements are:

- All contractors must provide minimum training/orientation as described under SafeGulf – additional specialized skills training may be necessary based on the services your company provides.
- All contractor personnel must be listed in the SafeGulf Database (administered by ISNetwork) prior to working on operator premises starting January 1, 2006.

BP, Chevron, Shell and ExxonMobil consider the new requirements a step in the right direction to ensure a level playing field and a standard program for quality HSE training and knowledge retention of those contractor personnel that perform work on operator property. Communication sessions have been ongoing and more will be scheduled as needed. Information on upcoming communication sessions can be found on the SafeGulf website at www.safegulf.com.

In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding this effort, please contact one of the operator representatives listed below:

- Dean Rayburn – BP – 281-366-2000
- Tim Elsen – Chevron – 504-592-6908
- Jim Shackelford – Shell – 504-728-7044
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Thank you for your patience as we move forward on this effort. We look forward to your support and compliance with the SafeGulf training/orientation expectations.

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