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Re: Update for BP Energy Company, CRNGM Certificate No. 12-234G(1), Case No. 11-5868-GA-CRS

Gentlemen:

BP Energy Company (BPEC) is notifying the Commission that BPEC and certain of its affiliates, including its ultimate parent, BP p.l.c. (collectively BP), received notice November 28, 2012 that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has temporarily suspended BP from entering into new contracts with the U.S. government. The EPA's action is pursuant to administrative procedures providing for discretionary suspension until a company can demonstrate "present responsibility" to conduct business with the U.S. government.

BP has been in discussions with the EPA regarding BP's ability to contract with the US government. BP understands that the EPA is preparing a comprehensive administrative agreement and that a draft of such an agreement will be provided soon. It is BP's expectation that entering into such an agreement with the EPA will result in the temporary suspension being lifted.

If you have any questions regarding this update, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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