



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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To: The Designated Natural Resource Trustee Officials for the Deep Water Horizon Oil Spill

To implement and effectuate the Natural Resource Damages Assessment, Early Restoration and broader Restoration planning processes, negotiations, and other matters which may arise with respect to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill, the undersigned Designated Natural Resource Trustee Official for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) makes the following designations pursuant to Sections VI and VII of the Memorandum of Understanding Relating to the Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration Resulting from the Deep Water Horizon Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit and the Subsea Macondo Well (the "MOU") among the State and Federal Natural Resource Trustees for the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. The following individuals are identified in accordance with Sections VI and VII of the MOU:

- (1) The primary Trustee Council representative is Craig O'Connor, Special Counsel for Natural Resources, Office of General Counsel for Natural Resources, Northwest Office, 7600 Sand Point Way N.E., Seattle WA 98115 ph: (206) 526-456-6604, fax: (206) 526-6665, email: Craig.R.O'Connor@noaa.gov
- (2) The alternate Trustee Council representative is Monica Medina, Principal Deputy Undersecretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW HCHB - Room 7324, Washington, DC 20230, ph: (202) 482-3567, fax: (202) 482-6318, email: monica.medina@noaa.gov.
- (3) The NOAA staff attorney assigned to advise NOAA's Trustee Counsel representatives is Stephanie Willis, Senior Attorney, Office of General Counsel, 263 13th Avenue So., Suite 177; St. Petersburg FL, 33701 ph: (727) 824-5362, fax: (727) 824-5370, email: Stephanie.Willis@noaa.gov.

As the DNRTO for NOAA, I also acknowledge and agree that Craig O'Connor will serve as my representative on the Executive Committee and act as the principal representative of NOAA's natural resource trusteeship, for efficiency and in order to effectuate decisions and voting as may be required on any matters within the scope of the MOU, including for purposes of Section VIII. Monica Medina will serve as the alternate NOAA representative on the Executive Committee.

David G. Westerholm
Director, Office of Response and Restoration

