



National Incident Commander
Deepwater Horizon Response

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Dear Senator Boxer,

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I fully expect BP to fulfill the FOSC's request. Once that happens, I can act on your request for any video records that BP provides once they are in possession of the Unified Command.

I also understand that you made a request to BP to "produce any and all video of the wellhead and broken pipe from the Deepwater Horizon rig". I have no objection and encourage BP to promptly comply with your request.

My National Incident Commander (NIC) staff will continue to provide timely responses to specific questions that you may have, but should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "I. W. Allen", written over a horizontal line.

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Attachment



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