

# **National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling**

## **Commission Announces Agenda for November 8-9 Public Hearing**

The National Oil Spill Commission and its Chief Counsel Fred Bartlit will hold a two-day public hearing on preliminary findings regarding BP's Macondo well blowout. The primary focus of the hearing will be on the causes of the rig explosion.

### **AGENDA**

**Monday, November 8, 2010 and Tuesday, November 9, 2010**  
**Grand Hyatt Washington**  
**1000 H Street NW, Washington, DC**

Live video stream at [www.OilSpillCommission.gov](http://www.OilSpillCommission.gov)

**(Doors open for media/camera setup at 6:30 a.m. both days)**

### **Day 1**

8:00 a.m. On-Site Registration

9:00 a.m. Call to Order

Christopher A. Smith, U.S. Department of Energy, Designated Federal Officer

Opening Remarks by Commission Co-Chairs Senator Bob Graham and William K. Reilly

9:15 a.m. Presentation by Chief Counsel Fred Bartlit

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Presentation by Chief Counsel Fred Bartlit

12:30 p.m. Lunch break

1:30 p.m. **Panel 1: Panel Discussion with BP, Transocean and Halliburton**

Representative from BP

Bill Ambrose, Director, Special Projects, Transocean

Representatives from Halliburton

3:00 p.m. Break

3:40 p.m. **Panel 1 (cont.): Panel Discussion with BP, Transocean and Halliburton**

Representative from BP

Bill Ambrose, Director, Special Projects, Transocean

Representatives from Halliburton

5:45 p.m. Closing Remarks by Commission Co-Chairs Senator Bob Graham and William K. Reilly

6:00 p.m. Meeting Adjourns

## **Day 2**

8:00 a.m. On-Site Registration

9:00 a.m. Call to Order

Christopher A. Smith, U.S. Department of Energy, Designated Federal Officer

Opening Remarks by Commission Co-Chairs Senator Bob Graham and William K. Reilly

9:15 a.m. **Panel 2: Experts on Oil Well Drilling and Operations**

E.C. Thomas, Consulting Petrophysicist and Owner, Bayou Petrophysics

Craig Gardner, Cementing Consultant and Team Leader for Cement Team, Chevron Energy Technology Company

John Rogers Smith, Associate Professor, Department of Petroleum Engineering, Louisiana State University

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. **Panel 2 (cont.): Experts on Oil Well Drilling and Operations**

Steve Lewis, Drilling Engineer, Seldovia Marine Services

Darryl Bourgoyne, Director, Louisiana State University Petroleum Engineering Research and Technology Transfer Laboratory

12:00 p.m. Lunch break

1:00 p.m. **Panel 3: Regulation of Offshore Drilling**

David Trocquet, District Manager, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

Frank Patton, Drilling Engineer, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

2:00 p.m. **Panel 4: Plans for Regulation**

Michael Bromwich, Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

2:45 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. **Panel 5: Industry Safety Culture**

Marvin Odum, President, Shell Oil Company, and Upstream Americas Director, Royal Dutch Shell

4:00 p.m. Questions and Wrap-up with Chief Counsel Fred Bartlit & Senior Scientist Richard Sears

4:40 p.m. Closing Remarks by Commission Co-Chairs Senator Bob Graham and William K. Reilly

4:45 p.m. Break

5:00 p.m. Public Comment

5:30 p.m. Meeting Adjourns

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