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press release

**May 21, 2010**

**BP REITERATES OIL SPILL RESPONSE TRANSPARENCY**

BP today reiterated its pledge to be open and transparent in its response to the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

BP confirmed its continuing commitment to co-operate with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in facilitating access by the US Government and the public to sampling/monitoring data on the Deepwater Horizon spill response. The commitment was made in a letter sent to Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security and Lisa Jackson, administrator of the EPA.

"We are committed to providing the American people with the information they need to understand the environmental impact from the spill and the response steps that have been taken," said BP's chief executive Tony Hayward.

"We share with you a strong commitment to transparency. BP is working hand-in-hand with federal, state and local governments to gather data on the seabed and in the water, and to incorporate those lessons so that we can continually improve the effectiveness of our response efforts," Hayward added.

BP has begun the process of collecting and uploading relevant data to its own website [www.BP.com](http://www.BP.com) and has committed to work with the US Coast Guard and the EPA with respect to uploading of materials on a rolling basis onto this website.

BP's commitment was confirmed in response to a letter, dated 20 May, from the EPA and the DHS.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

BP p.l.c.  
(Registrant)

Dated: 24 May 2010

/s/ D. J. PEARL  
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Deputy Company Secretary