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From: Smith, Donald-M
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 10:01 AM
To: Gavin H. Guillot; Tates, Samuel
Subject: RE: Observer Questions Regardin Clovelly OIl Lake Pontchartrain Fire

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Mr. Guillot,

At this time we are reviewing our jurisdiction for this incident and will contact you when that is resolved. I cannot (at this time) tell you how soon it will be.

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Cc: Elizabeth McIntosh <elizabeth.mcintosh@pjgglaw.com>
Subject: RE: Observer Questions Regardin Clovelly OIl Lake Pontchartrain Fire

Thank you, Mr. Smith. For the sake of clarity, may we agree on a 10-day extension from whatever date we are eventually able to speak?

Thank you,

Gavin H. Guillot
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Mr. Guillot,

Please consider your delay request as ongoing until such time as I can get a schedule arranged and contact you. Thanks for reaching out to me.

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Subject: RE: Observer Questions Regardin Clovelly OIl Lake Pontchartrain Fire

Dear Mr. Smith:

I am following-up on the below. Have you and the EPA attorney had a chance to discuss so we can arrange a conference call?

Thank you,

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Subject: RE: Observer Questions Regardin Clovelly OIl Lake Pontchartrain Fire

Mr. Guillot,

I received your voice mail. I am glad to agree with your request for more time and a call to discuss the questions. As soon as I speak to my attorney on this end, he or I will be in touch to arrange a schedule.

Thanks,

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Subject: FW: Observer Questions Regardin Clovelly OIl Lake Pontchartrain Fire

Dear Mr. Smith:

We are attorneys who represent Select Oilfield Services, LLC, in connection with an explosion that occurred on a Clovelly Oil Co. platform in Lake Pontchartrain, LA, on October 15, 2017. Greg Labeth, who is one of Select's owners, forwarded to us your January 26, 2017 correspondence with the attached Observer Questions. Select is very willing to cooperate in any investigation, as it has been cooperating with OSHA since the incident occurred and has already responded to an OSHA subpoena, but we would appreciate the opportunity to speak with you first regarding the EPA's questions to Select and the EPA's involvement. To this end, I left you a voicemail yesterday.

You offered in your January 26 email to contact you if Select needs more time to respond, so without waiving any of Select's rights, we request on its behalf additional time to respond. The original deadline you proposed is Friday, February 9, so for the sake of clarity, please let us agree that this deadline will be extended to Friday, February 23, with the intention that you and I speak no later than next week.

We trust the foregoing is acceptable to you. If it is not, please be so kind as to let us know so we may discuss further.

Sincerely,

Gavin Guillot

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Subject: Observer Questions Regardin Clovelly OIl Lake Pontchartrain Fire

Mr. Labeth,

Clovellly Oil identified three of your employees, Al Kimbrel, Brent Neil and Cody Bodreaux, as being present at the time of the incident on October 15.

Please review the following questions with your employees and provide your best answers by email by the close of business on Friday, February 9, 2018.

Please contact me if you have questions or need more time.

Thank you for your assistance.

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