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The Claims Administrator of the Deepwater Horizon Economic and Property Settlement Agreement (Settlement Agreement) submits this Report to inform the Court of the status of the implementation of the Settlement Agreement as of March 31, 2017. The Claims Administrator will provide any other information in addition to this Report as requested by the Court.¹

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS REVIEW PROCESSES AND CLAIM PAYMENTS

A. Claim Form Submissions.

The Claims Administrator opened the Settlement Program with needed functions staffed and operating on June 4, 2012, just over 30 days after the Claims Administrator’s appointment. As of March 31, 2017, the Claims Administrator’s Office and Vendors (CAO)² have received 389,508 Claim Forms since the Settlement Program opened on June 4, 2012, as shown in the

¹ Previously, this Status Report has been filed with the Court on a monthly basis. However, given the significant reduction in remaining claims to be processed, beginning with Status Report No.54, the Status Report is being filed on a quarterly basis. It continues to reflect the Deepwater Horizon Economic and Property Damages Settlement Program’s progress towards resolution of the remaining claims populations.

² “Claims Administrator’s Office”, as used within this report, refers to the Claims Administrator and, where applicable, Court-Supervised Settlement Program vendors working with and under the Claims Administrator.

Public Statistics for the Deepwater Horizon Economic and Property Damages Settlement (Public Report) attached as Exhibit A.³

Of the total Claim Forms submitted, 6.4% were filed within the Seafood Program, 15.6% were filed within the Individual Economic Loss (IEL) framework, and 38.3% were filed within the Business Economic Loss (BEL) framework (including Start-Up and Failed BEL Claims). *See Ex. A, Table 2.*

On December 8, 2014, the United States Supreme Court declined the request for a review of the Fifth Circuit's rulings upholding the District Court's Final Approval Order of the Settlement Agreement. Accordingly, the Effective Date of the Settlement Agreement was December 8, 2014, and the final deadline for filing all new claims occurred on June 8, 2015. As such, the Claims Administrator continues to close new claim submissions made after June 8, 2015.

B. Claims Review.

The CAO completed its first claim reviews and issued its first outcome notices on July 15, 2012, and its first payments on July 31, 2012. There are many steps involved in reviewing a claim so that it is ready for a notice. In addition to reviewing the claims, substantial communication to claimants or their representatives is performed via notices, emails, phone calls, interviews, and site visits to obtain clarification and/or additional information or documentation necessary for the Program to review claims.

1. Claim Type Review Details.

Table 1 provides information, by Claim Type, on the number of claims filed, the number of claims that have been reviewed to Notice, the number of claims remaining to be reviewed to

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Notice, and the number of claims reviewed to either a Notice or “Later Notice” to date. Table 1 divides the claims reviewed to a “Later Notice” into separate sections: (1) claims receiving a Notice based on CAO review following the submission of additional materials by a claimant in response to an Incompleteness Notice, and (2) claims receiving a Notice following a Reconsideration review conducted by the CAO.

Table 1. Throughput Analysis of Claims Filed and Notices Issued.

A. Claims Reviewed to First Notice													
	Claim Type	Status of All Claims Filed											
		Total Claims Filed To Date ⁴	Reviews Completed to Notice or Closed			Claims Remaining to Review							
1.	Seafood	24,957	24,957	100.0%	0	0.0%							
2.	IEL	60,811	60,671	99.8%	140	0.2%							
3.	IPV/FV	390	389	99.7%	1	0.3%							
4.	BEL	135,380	134,882	99.6%	498	0.4%							
5.	Start-Up BEL	7,933	7,915	99.8%	18	0.2%							
6.	Failed BEL	5,848	5,839	99.8%	9	0.2%							
7.	Coastal RP	42,223	42,223	100.0%	0	0.0%							
8.	Wetlands RP	30,540	27,528	90.1%	3,012	9.9%							
9.	RPS	3,069	3,069	100.0%	0	0.0%							
10.	Subsistence	67,834	67,714	99.8%	120	0.2%							
11.	VoO	8,959	8,959	100.0%	0	0.0%							
12.	VPD	1,564	1,564	100.0%	0	0.0%							
13.	TOTAL	389,508	385,710	99.0%	3,798	1.0%							
B. Claims Reviewed to Later Notice													
	Claim Type	Initial or Preliminary Incompleteness Response				Follow-Up Incompleteness Responses				Requests for Reconsideration			
		Total Responses	Claims with Later Notice	Remaining Claims		Total Responses	Claims with Later Notice	Remaining Claims		Total Requests	Claims with Later Notice	Remaining Claims	
				#	%			#	%			#	%
1.	Seafood	6,034	5,777	257	4.3%	2,945	2,863	82	2.8%	4,421	4,421	0	0.0%
2.	IEL	20,139	19,188	951	4.7%	11,623	11,099	524	4.5%	9,433	9,183	250	2.7%
3.	IPV/FV	116	113	3	2.6%	47	47	0	0.0%	57	57	0	0.0%
4.	BEL	59,951	57,972	1,979	3.3%	34,563	33,495	1,068	3.1%	25,928	25,273	655	2.5%
5.	Start-Up BEL	3,873	3,678	195	5.0%	2,647	2,550	97	3.7%	2,325	2,226	99	4.3%

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B. Claims Reviewed to Later Notice													
	Claim Type	Initial or Preliminary Incompleteness Response				Follow-Up Incompleteness Responses				Requests for Reconsideration			
		Total Responses	Claims with Later Notice	Remaining Claims		Total Responses	Claims with Later Notice	Remaining Claims		Total Requests	Claims with Later Notice	Remaining Claims	
				#	%			#	%			#	%
6.	Failed BEL	1,851	1,790	61	3.3%	1,398	1,331	67	4.8%	1,573	1,535	38	2.4%
7.	Coastal RP	6,358	6,295	63	1.0%	1,911	1,904	7	0.4%	2,400	2,400	0	0.0%
8.	Wetlands RP	1,243	1,113	130	10.5%	304	285	19	6.3%	2,223	2,086	137	6.2%
9.	RPS	371	370	1	0.3%	139	139	0	0.0%	266	266	0	0.0%
10.	Subsistence	21,766	21,006	760	3.5%	12,019	11,810	209	1.7%	16,793	13,943	2,850	17.0%
11.	VoO	1,009	997	12	1.2%	447	436	11	2.5%	691	690	1	0.1%
12.	VPD	822	796	26	3.2%	393	383	10	2.5%	317	317	0	0.0%
13.	TOTAL	123,533	119,095	4,438	3.6%	68,436	66,342	2,094	3.1%	66,427	62,397	4,030	6.1%

2. Claimant Accounting Support Reviews.

A special team handles Claimant Accounting Support (CAS) reviews. CAS reimbursement is available under the Settlement Agreement for IEL, BEL, and Seafood claims. After a claim has been determined to be payable and the Compensation Amount has been calculated, the CAS team reviews accounting invoices and CAS Sworn Written Statements submitted by the claimant. Table 2 includes information on the number of CAS reviews the CAO has completed to date, whether the Accounting Support documentation was complete, and the dollar amounts reimbursed for each Claim Type.

Table 2. Claimant Accounting Support.

	Claim Type	CAS Review Results				Total CAS Review Results		Total Offered CAS Dollar Amounts	
		Complete		Incomplete		Since Last Report	Total to Date	Since Last Report	Total to Date
		Since Last Report	Total to Date	Since Last Report ⁵	Total to Date				
1.	BEL	1,523	40,841	130	5,378	1,653	46,219	\$3,888,319.35	\$55,208,982.17
2.	IEL	273	4,117	13	847	286	4,964	\$63,928.65	\$570,995.30
3.	Seafood	0	3,986	0	879	0	4,865	\$0.00	\$1,651,418.31
4.	TOTAL	1,796	48,944	143	7,104	1,939	56,048	\$3,952,248.00	\$57,431,395.78

C. Claim Notices and Payments.

Tables 3 and 4 of the Public Report attached in Exhibit A provide detail on the notices and payments issued to date. As of March 31, 2017, the CAO has issued 170,805 Eligibility Notices to unique claims with Payment Offers totaling \$11.5 billion. As of that date, the CAO has made payments on 162,391 claims totaling \$10.2 billion.

D. Re-Reviews, Reconsiderations, and Appeals.**1. Re-Reviews and Outcomes.**

To date, there have been 215,570 Eligibility or Denial Notices issued from which claimants can or could seek Re-Review. Of those, the window to seek Re-Review has passed or Re-Review has been requested for 212,505. Of those, claimants have requested Re-Review of 36,093 claims. Thus, the rate of Re-Review from all final determinations is 17.0%. The rate of Re-Review from Eligibility Notices is 13.2%, while the rate of Re-Review from Denial Notices is 25.7%.

⁵ Changes since the last report include the impact of claims previously deemed Incomplete during CAS Review that are no longer considered Incomplete after a subsequent review. Negative values may occasionally appear in this table, which may occur when a claim has gone through multiple CAS Reviews resulting in a change in the CAS Review result. For example, a claim's CAS Review may change from incomplete to complete when the claimant supplements his/her CAS Review with additional documentation to cure an incompleteness reason.

Table 3 summarizes the Re-Reviews the CAO has completed, the number of Post Re-Review Notices the CAO has issued, and whether the outcome of the Re-Review resulted in an award that was higher than (↑), lower than (↓), or the same as (↔) the outcome previously issued. The table also includes information on whether an original Exclusion Denial was confirmed or overturned on Re-Review.

Table 3. Re-Reviews.											
A. Re-Review Requests and Reviews											
	Claim Type	Requests Received To Date	Notice Issued or Claims Closed	Claims Remaining to Receive Notice or Claims Closed							
				#	%						
1.	Seafood	935	935	0	0.0%						
2.	IEL	1,515	1,461	54	3.6%						
3.	IPV/FV	14	14	0	0.0%						
4.	BEL	13,077	12,728	349	2.7%						
5.	Start-Up BEL	1,182	1,110	72	6.1%						
6.	Failed BEL	641	630	11	1.7%						
7.	Coastal RP	1,268	1,268	0	0.0%						
8.	Wetlands RP	4,362	4,221	141	3.2%						
9.	RPS	135	135	0	0.0%						
10.	Subsistence	12,840	9,616	3,224	25.1%						
11.	VoO	70	70	0	0.0%						
12.	VPD	54	54	0	0.0%						
13.	TOTAL	36,093	32,242	3,851	10.7%						
B. Re-Review Notices Issued											
	Claim Type	Outcome of Re-Review Notice ⁶									
		Compensation Amount for Eligible Claims						Exclusions/Denials			
		↑		↓		↔		Confirmed		Overturned	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
1.	Seafood	476	50.9%	54	5.8%	266	28.4%	108	11.6%	31	3.3%
2.	IEL	382	26.1%	59	4.0%	457	31.3%	501	34.3%	62	4.2%
3.	IPV/FV	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	92.9%	1	7.1%
4.	BEL	4,369	34.3%	461	3.6%	1,455	11.4%	4,834	38.0%	1,609	12.6%
5.	Start-Up BEL	119	10.7%	12	1.1%	42	3.8%	736	66.3%	201	18.1%
6.	Failed BEL	17	2.7%	10	1.6%	92	14.6%	396	62.9%	115	18.3%

⁶ Changes to the figures related to an outcome of a Re-Review Notice as compared to the previous outcome is a result of claims receiving a new Notice and subsequently requesting further Re-Review, which resulted in the removal of the claims associated with these new Re-Review requests from this Report.

Table 3. Re-Reviews.											
B. Re-Review Notices Issued											
	Claim Type	Outcome of Re-Review Notice ⁷									
		Compensation Amount for Eligible Claims						Exclusions/Denials			
		↑		↓		↔		Confirmed		Overturned	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
7.	Coastal RP	66	5.2%	6	0.5%	158	12.5%	980	77.3%	58	4.6%
8.	Wetlands RP	79	1.9%	851	20.2%	262	6.2%	2,981	70.6%	48	1.1%
9.	RPS	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	3	2.2%	94	69.6%	37	27.4%
10.	Subsistence	5,410	56.3%	555	5.8%	1,079	11.2%	1,232	12.8%	1,340	13.9%
11.	VoO	7	10.0%	5	7.1%	18	25.7%	35	50.0%	5	7.1%
12.	VPD	23	42.6%	3	5.6%	13	24.1%	14	25.9%	1	1.9%
13.	TOTAL	10,949	34.0%	2,016	6.3%	3,845	11.9%	11,924	37.0%	3,508	10.9%

2. Reconsideration Reviews and Outcomes.

To date, there have been 384,413 Eligibility, Denial, or Incompleteness Denial Notices issued from which claimants can or could seek Reconsideration. Of those, the window to seek Reconsideration has passed or Reconsideration has been requested for 379,030. Of those, claimants have requested Reconsideration of 66,427 claims. Thus, the rate of Reconsideration from all final determinations is 17.5%. The rate of Reconsideration from Eligibility Notices is 6.2%, while the rate of Reconsideration from Denial or Incompleteness Denial Notices is 28.1%.

Table 4 summarizes the Reconsiderations the CAO has completed, the number of Post-Reconsideration Notices the CAO has issued, and whether the outcome of the Reconsideration review resulted in an award that was higher than (↑), lower than (↓), or the same as (↔) the outcome previously issued. The table also includes information on whether an original Exclusion Denial was confirmed or overturned on Reconsideration.

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Table 4. Reconsideration.

A. Reconsideration Requests and Reviews											
	Claim Type	Requests Received To Date	Notice Issued or Claims Closed	Claims Remaining to Receive Notice or Claims Closed							
				#	%						
1.	Seafood	4,421	4,421	0	0.0%						
2.	IEL	9,433	9,183	250	2.7%						
3.	IPV/FV	57	57	0	0.0%						
4.	BEL	25,928	25,273	655	2.5%						
5.	Start-Up BEL	2,325	2,226	99	4.3%						
6.	Failed BEL	1,573	1,535	38	2.4%						
7.	Coastal RP	2,400	2,400	0	0.0%						
8.	Wetlands RP	2,223	2,086	137	6.2%						
9.	RPS	266	266	0	0.0%						
10.	Subsistence	16,793	13,943	2,850	17.0%						
11.	VoO	691	690	1	0.1%						
12.	VPD	317	317	0	0.0%						
13.	TOTAL	66,427	62,397	4,030	6.1%						
B. Reconsideration Notices Issued											
	Claim Type	Outcome of Reconsideration Notice ⁸									
		Compensation Amount for Eligible Claims						Exclusions/Denials			
		↑		↓		↔		Confirmed		Overturned	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
1.	Seafood	813	18.4%	181	4.1%	569	12.9%	2,250	50.9%	608	13.8%
2.	IEL	248	2.7%	84	0.9%	681	7.4%	5,862	63.8%	2,308	25.1%
3.	IPV/FV	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	55	96.5%	2	3.5%
4.	BEL	1,176	4.7%	279	1.1%	1,532	6.1%	12,311	48.7%	9,975	39.5%
5.	Start-Up BEL	30	1.3%	8	0.4%	72	3.2%	1,526	68.6%	590	26.5%
6.	Failed BEL	8	0.5%	17	1.1%	98	6.4%	1,153	75.1%	259	16.9%
7.	Coastal RP	97	4.0%	21	0.9%	469	19.5%	1,467	61.1%	346	14.4%
8.	Wetlands RP	79	3.8%	29	1.4%	234	11.2%	1,652	79.2%	92	4.4%
9.	RPS	1	0.4%	0	0.0%	4	1.5%	233	87.6%	28	10.5%
10.	Subsistence	2,303	16.5%	276	2.0%	926	6.6%	5,085	36.5%	5,353	38.4%
11.	VoO	59	8.6%	4	0.6%	127	18.4%	425	61.6%	75	10.9%
12.	VPD	52	16.4%	2	0.6%	21	6.6%	156	49.2%	86	27.1%
13.	TOTAL	4,866	7.8%	901	1.4%	4,733	7.6%	32,175	51.6%	19,722	31.6%

⁸ Changes to the figures related to outcomes of Reconsideration Notices as compared to the previous outcomes are a result of multiple claimants receiving new Notices and subsequently requesting further Reconsideration, which resulted in the removal of the claims associated with these new Reconsideration requests from this Report.

3. Appeals.

(a) BP Appeals.

To date, the CAO has issued 43,655 Eligibility Notices that meet or exceed the threshold amount rendering them eligible for appeal by BP. Of those, BP has either filed an appeal or the deadline for BP to file an appeal has passed for 43,398 Notices. Of those 43,398 Notices, BP has filed 9,152 appeals, a 21.1% appeal rate. Table 5 provides summary information on the status of BP appeals.

Table 5. Status of BP Appeals.				
A. Appeal Filing/Resolution				
	Status	As of Last Report	Since Last Report	Total
1.	BP Appeals Filed	8,444	708	9,152
2.	Resolved Appeals	8,048	488	8,536
(a).	Resolved by Panel Decision	3,264	184	3,448
(b).	Resolved by Parties	1,541	107	1,648
(c).	Remand to Claims Administrator	344	37	381
(d).	Discretionary Court Review Granted	159	1	160
(e).	Administratively Closed	451	105	556
(f).	Withdrawn	506	3	509
(g).	Inactive Under Reconsideration/Re-Review	338	51	389
(h).	Return for Review Under Policy 495	1,445	0	1,445
B. Pending Appeals				
1.	In "Baseball" Process		387	
2.	Submitted to Panel		185	
3.	Under Discretionary Court Review		44	
4.	TOTAL PENDING		616	

(b) Claimant Appeals.

Before a claimant may file an appeal, the claimant must request Reconsideration and receive a Post-Reconsideration Eligibility or Denial Notice. To date, the CAO has issued 25,046 Post-Reconsideration Eligibility and Denial Notices. Of those, the claimant has either filed an appeal or the deadline for the claimant to file an appeal has passed for 23,549 Notices. Of those 23,549 Notices, claimants have filed 5,935 appeals, a 25.2% appeal rate. Of the 5,935 claimant

appeals, 4,522 are appeals of Post-Reconsideration Denial Notices, while 1,413 are appeals of Post-Reconsideration Eligibility Notices. Table 6 provides summary information on the status of Claimant Appeals.

Table 6. Status of Claimant Appeals.				
A. Appeal Filing/Resolution				
	Status	As of Last Report	Since Last Report	Total
1.	Claimant Appeals Filed	5,052	883	5,935
2.	Resolved Appeals	4,032	753	4,785
(a).	Resolved by Panel Decision	2,622	459	3,081
(b).	Resolved by Parties	127	9	136
(c).	Remand to Claims Administrator	473	146	619
(d).	Discretionary Court Review Granted	275	14	289
(e).	Administratively Closed	212	105	317
(f).	Withdrawn	233	20	253
(g).	Return for Review Under Policy 495	90	0	90
B. Pending Appeals				
1.	In “Baseball” Process		80	
2.	In “Non-Baseball” Process		443	
3.	Submitted to Panel		306	
4.	Under Discretionary Court Review		321	
5.	TOTAL PENDING		1,150	

(c) Resolved Appeals.

As reported in the table below, 13,321 appeals have been resolved. Table 7 provides a summary of these resolved appeals by Claim Type. The comparison between the Post-Appeal Award Amount and the Award Amount within the original notice does not take into consideration the 5.0% increase in compensation that a claimant who prevails upon appeal receives.

Table 7. Outcome After Appeal.

Claim Type		Appeals Settled or Decided by Panel						DR Grant	With-drawn	Admin. Closed	Inactive Under Recon./Re-Review	Return for Review Under Policy 495	Total
		Compensation Amount Following Appeal Compared to That of Original Notice											
		Higher	Lower	Same	Denial Upheld	Denial Over-turned	Remand						
1.	Seafood	90	23	185	64	10	27	6	55	45	9	0	514
2.	IEL	27	77	155	138	19	72	9	19	42	8	0	566
3.	IPV/FV	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
4.	BEL	140	1,816	3,053	1,240	197	561	421	487	722	356	1,535	10,528
5.	Coastal RP	48	1	39	201	9	7	5	8	11	0	0	329
6.	Wetlands RP	10	11	15	141	4	10	3	7	16	16	0	233
7.	RPS	0	8	27	44	0	1	4	5	2	0	0	91
8.	Subsistence	13	3	54	100	67	302	1	145	22	0	0	707
9.	VoO	18	33	50	69	21	7	0	28	4	0	0	230
10.	VPD	2	30	34	24	0	13	0	8	8	0	0	119
11.	TOTAL	348	2,002	3,612	2,023	328	1,000	449	762	873	389	1,535	13,321

(d) Incompleteness Appeals.

The Appeal for Insufficient Documentation (Incompleteness Appeal) allows Economic Class Members to have their claims reviewed by a separate Documentation Reviewer when the CAO denies their claims because of insufficient documentation. The Documentation Reviewer reviews the claimant's documentation to determine whether the Settlement Program correctly denied the claim.

Before sending the claim to the Documentation Reviewer, the CAO reviews the appeal request along with any newly submitted documents. If the claimant has submitted the requested documentation and cured the incompleteness, the CAO issues the appropriate Notice. If the claimant still has not submitted the requested documentation, the CAO sends the claim to the Documentation Reviewer for review.

Before a claimant may file an appeal of an Incompleteness Denial, the claimant must request Reconsideration and receive a Post-Reconsideration Incompleteness Denial Notice. To date, the CAO has issued 15,083 Post-Reconsideration Incompleteness Denial Notices. Of those, the claimant's appeal deadline has passed or an appeal has been filed for 14,932 Notices. Of the 14,932 Notices eligible for appeal, 8,996 (60.2%) appeal requests have been filed. Table 8 provides summary information on the status of Incompleteness Appeals.

Table 8. Incompleteness Appeals.				
A. Incompleteness Appeal Filing/Resolution				
	Status	As of Last Report	Since Last Report	Total
1.	Incompleteness Appeals Filed	8,229	767	8,996
2.	Appeals Resolved	6,137	1,330	7,467
(a).	Withdrawn/Closed Claims	522	68	590
(b).	Cured	2,667	831	3,498
(c).	Incompleteness Denial Affirmed	2,427	337	2,764
(d).	Incompleteness Denial Overturned	521	94	615
B. Pending Incompleteness Appeals				
3.	In Pre-Documentation Reviewer Process		1,166	
4.	Currently Before Documentation Reviewer		363	
5.	TOTAL PENDING		1,529	

(e) Fifth Circuit Appeals.

As a result of decisions handed down by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (the "Fifth Circuit") on May 8, 2015, the Parties now have the right to notice further appeals to the Fifth Circuit from rulings made by the District Court on discretionary review of individual claims. The CAO has finalized procedures with the District Court to implement and facilitate the Fifth Circuit's rulings since changes were required with respect to the docketing of discretionary review requests and rulings, and the creation of appeal records. Claimants primarily have taken appeals to the Fifth Circuit, which appeals are in various stages of the appellate process.

E. Seafood Supplemental and Residual Distribution.

The Settlement Agreement calls for BP to finance a \$2.3 billion Seafood Compensation Program Settlement Fund. The Settlement Agreement states that any balance available after the first distribution will be distributed to each claimant in proportion to the claimant's gross compensation, unless the Court-Appointed Seafood Neutrals recommend a different formula. The Court's Order (as originally issued on November 18, 2014, and as procedurally amended on June 16, 2016 to expedite the completion of the process) approved a partial Supplemental Distribution targeted at \$500 million of the remaining undistributed portion of the aggregate \$2.3 billion fund for the Seafood Compensation Program. Payments will be disbursed in multiple phases.

As of March 31, 2016, the Settlement Program has issued 5,111 Seafood Supplemental Distribution Round One Eligibility Notices for a total value of \$504,928,302. The Seafood Supplemental Distribution Round One Notices are included in the report where appropriate. As of March 31, 2016, the Settlement Program has issued Supplemental Distribution Round One payments of \$504,558,071 to 4,593 claimants.

On December 17, 2015, the Claims Administrator submitted a letter report and recommendations to the Court providing for a subsequent distribution ("Supplemental Distribution Round Two"), and thereafter a residual distribution. After the Court approved the Claims Administrator's report and recommendations on January 7, 2016, the Settlement Program began issuing Seafood Supplemental Round Two Eligibility Notices. As of March 31, 2016, the Settlement Program has issued 619 Seafood Supplemental Distribution Round Two Eligibility Notices for a total value of \$33,909,597. The Seafood Supplemental Distribution Round Two Notices are included in the report where appropriate. As of March 31, 2016, the Settlement

Program has issued Supplemental Distribution Round Two payments of \$33,553,532 to 544 claimants.

On October 4, 2016, the Claims Administrator began issuing Seafood Residual Distribution Notices allocating the remaining Seafood Compensation Program Settlement Fund. As of March 31, 2016, the Settlement Program has issued 5,502 Seafood Residual Distribution Notices for a total value of \$521,626,754. The Seafood Residual Distribution Notices are included in the report where appropriate. As of March 31, 2016, the Settlement Program has issued Residual Distribution payments of \$519,612,438 to 5,048 claimants.

II. CONCLUSION

The Claims Administrator offers this Report to ensure that the Court is informed of the status of the Settlement Program to date. If the Court would find additional information helpful, the Claims Administrator stands ready to provide it at the Court's convenience.

/s/ Patrick Juneau
PATRICK A. JUNEAU
CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing pleading has been served on All Counsel by electronically uploading the same to LexisNexis File & Serve in accordance with Pretrial Order No. 12, and that the foregoing was electronically filed with the Clerk of Court of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana by using the CM/ECF System, which will send a notice of electronic filing in accordance with the procedures established in MDL 2179, on this 27th day of April, 2017.

/s/ Patrick Juneau
PATRICK A. JUNEAU
CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR

Claims Administrator Patrick Juneau has announced that the Settlement Program began issuing payments on July 31, 2012, and has been issuing outcome Notices since July 15, 2012. The Program will issue Notices on a rolling basis as we complete reviews, and they will include Eligibility Notices, Incompleteness Notices, and Denial Notices. Each Notice will provide information explaining the outcome. We will post Notices on the secure DWH Portal for any law firm or unrepresented claimant who uses the DWH Portal. We will notify firms and unrepresented claimants by email at the end of each day if we have posted a Notice that day. Firms and unrepresented claimants may then log onto the DWH Portal to see a copy of the Notice(s). Law Firms or claimants who do not use the DWH Portal will receive Notices in the mail. Claimants who receive an Eligibility Notice and qualify for a payment will receive that payment after all appeal periods have passed, if applicable, and the claimant has submitted all necessary paperwork, including a fully executed Release and Covenant Not to Sue.

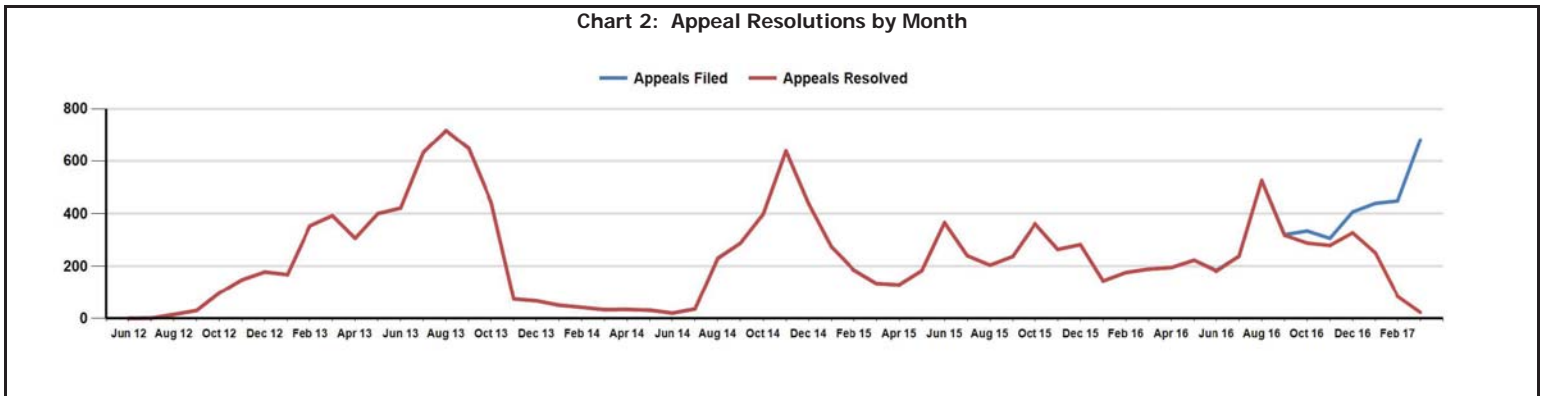
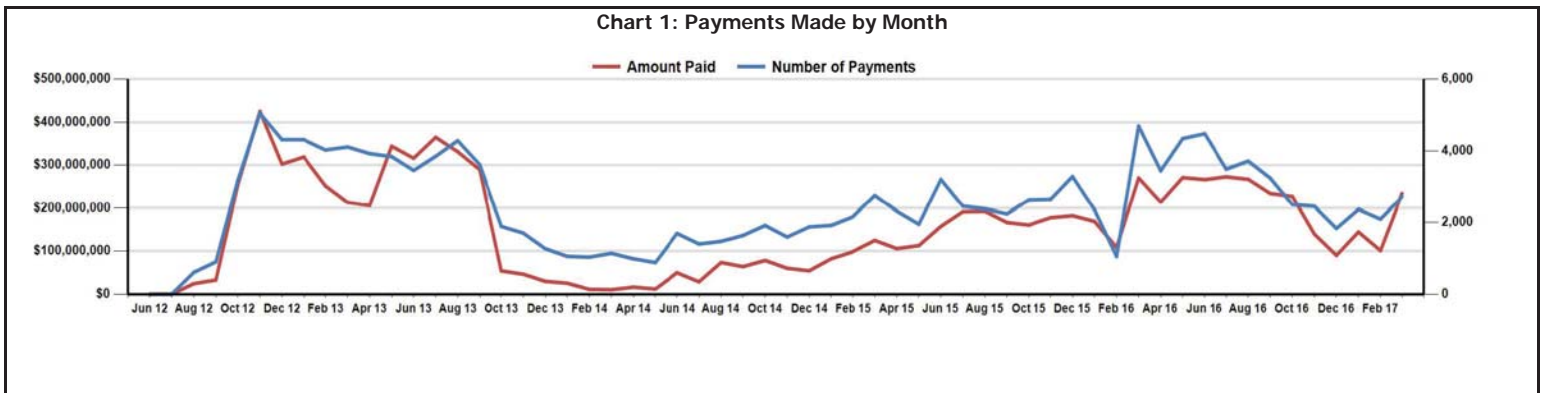
Table 1	Filings by State of Residence			
	State	Claims		Unique Claimants with Forms Submitted
		Form Submitted	%	
1.	Alabama	63,431	16.3%	46,953
2.	Florida	105,881	27.2%	76,617
3.	Louisiana	122,003	31.3%	76,182
4.	Mississippi	45,428	11.7%	35,469
5.	Texas	19,829	5.1%	11,249
6.	Other	32,936	8.5%	15,195
7.	Total	389,508	100.0%	261,665

Table 2	Number of Claims by Claim Type			
	Claim Type	Claims		Unique Claimants with Form Submitted
		Form Submitted	%	
1.	Seafood Compensation Program	24,957	6.4%	10,543
2.	Individual Economic Loss	60,811	15.6%	58,612
3.	Individual Periodic Vendor or Festival Vendor Economic Loss	390	0.1%	384
4.	Business Economic Loss	135,380	34.8%	93,718
5.	Start-Up Business Economic Loss	7,933	2.0%	6,277
6.	Failed Business Economic Loss	5,848	1.5%	4,886
7.	Coastal Real Property	42,223	10.8%	28,656
8.	Wetlands Real Property	30,540	7.8%	4,501
9.	Real Property Sales	3,069	0.8%	1,610
10.	Subsistence	67,834	17.4%	67,298
11.	VoO Charter Payment	8,959	2.3%	6,290
12.	Vessel Physical Damage	1,564	0.4%	1,309
13.	Total	389,508	100.0%	261,665

Table 3	Claim Type	Eligible - Payable	Eligible - No Payment	Incomplete	Denial					Opt-Outs	Withdrawn	Closed	Total Claims Issued Notice
					Exclusion Denials	Prior GCCF Release	Causation Denials	Other Denials	Incomplete Denials				
					Notices Issued								
1.	Seafood Compensation Program	18,998	2,688	28	52	2,415	0	1,213	4,629	1,155	3,259	2,086	36,523
2.	Individual Economic Loss	8,311	2,000	733	3,562	2,507	119	4,649	32,015	751	5,061	3,049	62,757
3.	Individual Periodic Vendor or Festival Vendor Economic Loss	10	0	0	11	28	0	83	192	3	102	43	472
4.	Business Economic Loss	50,251	1,779	3,976	1,334	887	9,403	4,675	22,120	943	23,645	16,397	135,410
5.	Start-Up Business Economic Loss	1,378	68	302	67	56	1,101	1,036	2,178	111	912	779	7,988
6.	Failed Business Economic Loss	205	261	116	88	143	541	1,600	1,715	105	395	727	5,896
7.	Coastal Real Property	29,721	69	3	14	957	0	5,834	1,698	376	1,181	2,556	42,409
8.	Wetlands Real Property	12,373	18	129	44	95	0	8,931	233	92	1,754	3,826	27,495
9.	Real Property Sales	863	7	0	11	88	37	685	103	20	1,123	176	3,113
10.	Subsistence	40,727	756	259	37	2,350	0	9,714	10,448	266	1,343	1,838	67,738
11.	VoO Charter Payment	7,123	16	1	16	0	0	609	793	91	83	175	8,907
12.	Vessel Physical Damage	845	28	1	7	0	0	173	285	19	82	120	1,560
13.	Total	170,805	7,690	5,548	5,243	9,526	11,201	39,202	76,409	3,932	38,940	31,772	400,268

Table 4	Claim Type	Payment Information						
		Eligibility Notices Issued with Payment Offer		Accepted Offers		Payments Made		
		Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Unique Claimants Paid
1.	Seafood Compensation Program	18,998	\$2,239,166,574	18,981	\$2,236,818,512	18,970	\$2,232,658,745	5,382
2.	Individual Economic Loss	8,311	\$110,525,989	7,882	\$105,374,654	7,617	\$98,214,661	7,617
3.	Individual Periodic Vendor or Festival Vendor Economic Loss	10	\$93,497	10	\$93,497	10	\$93,497	10
4.	Business Economic Loss	50,251	\$7,756,772,672	48,859	\$7,187,985,338	47,400	\$6,543,877,427	42,767
5.	Start-Up Business Economic Loss	1,378	\$190,395,255	1,287	\$177,817,909	1,237	\$173,041,037	1,164
6.	Failed Business Economic Loss	205	\$25,213,885	182	\$22,332,814	151	\$15,779,357	150
7.	Coastal Real Property	29,721	\$162,888,932	29,371	\$161,309,133	29,186	\$160,633,481	22,862
8.	Wetlands Real Property	12,373	\$227,796,715	10,944	\$215,102,661	10,651	\$212,918,883	2,515
9.	Real Property Sales	863	\$40,460,619	861	\$40,460,446	861	\$40,460,446	763
10.	Subsistence	40,727	\$447,706,950	34,697	\$390,278,507	31,937	\$346,839,514	31,937
11.	VoO Charter Payment	7,123	\$283,283,869	7,112	\$283,115,169	7,106	\$282,902,769	5,400
12.	Vessel Physical Damage	845	\$12,901,266	842	\$12,871,469	842	\$12,871,469	774
13.	Totals on DWH Releases	170,805	\$11,497,206,223	161,028	\$10,833,560,109	155,968	\$10,120,291,287	114,971
14.	40% Request					3,379	\$57,588,019	3,379
15.	6% Refund					3,044	\$7,970,581	2,577
16.	Total Payments					162,391	\$10,185,849,887	119,454

Table 5	Appeals Received			
	Resolved Appeals			
	Appeal Status	BP Appeals	Claimant Appeals	Total Appeals
1.	Resolved by Panel Decision	3,448	3,081	6,575
2.	Discretionary Court Review Granted	160	289	455
3.	Resolved by Parties	1,648	136	1,782
4.	Withdrawn	509	253	759
5.	Administratively Closed	556	317	886
6.	Inactive Under Reconsideration/Re-Review	389	0	386
7.	Remand to Claims Administrator	381	619	1,069
8.	Return for Review Under Policy 495	1,445	90	1,576
9.	Total	8,536	4,785	13,488
Pending Appeals				
10.	In "Baseball" Process	387	80	468
11.	In "Non-Baseball" Process	0	443	443
12.	Submitted to Panel	185	306	489
13.	Under Discretionary Court Review	44	321	352
14.	Total	616	1,150	1,752
Grand Total				
15.		9,152	5,935	15,240



Legend:

1. Form Submitted - Includes electronically filed claim forms after the claimant or his attorney completes the electronic signature and clicks the Submit button. This definition also includes hard copy claim forms where the DWH Intake Team has completed both the linking of scanned images and the data entry on that form.
2. Unique Claimants with Form Submitted - Counts the unique number of claimants with at least one Claim Form Submitted for each Claim Type. Because claimants may file claims for more than one Claim Type, the sum of all Claim Types will not equal the count of total unique claimants.
3. Notices Issued – The Seafood Compensation Program row (row 1) of Table 3 includes Seafood Supplemental Distribution Claims (Round One, Round Two, and Residual Distribution). The count of Notices Issued in Table counts each unique claim issued a Notice only once. For claims issued multiple Notices, this report uses the following hierarchy when counting the claim: (1) Eligibility Notice if the claim has been paid; (2) Most recent active Notice if the claim has not been paid; (3) If the claim has been closed it will not be counted as an Eligibility Notice unless the claim has been paid.
4. Payment Information - The timing of payment can be affected by a number of factors. Even after the DHECC receives a Release, delay in receipt of a W -9, or in receipt of the Attorney Fee Acknowledgment Form can delay payment. In addition, any alterations or omissions on the Release Form, or an assertion of a third-party lien against an award amount, can delay payment. As a result, this report will show a higher number of Accepted Offers than Amounts Paid. The Seafood Compensation Program row (row 1) of Table 4 includes Seafood Supplemental Distribution Claims (Round One, Round Two, and Residual Distribution).
5. Appeals Received - Excludes Appeals closed pursuant to 4/24/13 Court Order.
6. Note: The Claims Administrator continually monitors the status of all claim filings. Through this process, the Claims Administrator may find duplicate claims from the same claimant. In such cases, the Claims Administrator will close the duplicate claim and only process the remaining valid claim. This report excludes duplicate claims from all counts of claims filed.
7. Note: The Seafood Supplemental Distribution Notices (Round One, Round Two, and Residual Distribution) are included in the Exhibit A as appropriate.
8. Note: The final deadline for filing all claims other than those that fall into the Seafood Compensation Program was 6/8/15.
9. Note: The total claims received may continue to experience insignificant changes as the CAO continues to process outstanding claims.
10. As to Table 3, the Total Claims Issued Notice figure contains 3,610 Notices of Withdrawal, Closure, and Denial which have previously been issued to claimants prior to the finalization and submissions of their associated Claim Forms. The partially completed Claim Forms associated with these Notices are not included within the total population of Claim Forms Submitted in Table 1.