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June 22, 2010

Mr. Doug Suttles
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Exploration & Production
BP America Inc.
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Dear Mr. Suttles:

On behalf of the people of Florida, I want to again express my concern over the devastating economic losses our citizens and businesses are experiencing as a result of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. While I appreciate the commitment expressed by BP to make all Florida citizens and businesses whole, the level of uncertainty and magnitude of the potential harm to the Sunshine State warrants our vigilance and insistence on proactive measures to ensure protection and full recovery for all Floridians and their businesses, as well as all level of governments, from the damages resulting from the oil spill.

As you know I am still deeply concerned about the process our citizens and businesses must face in order to receive relief for their losses. Based on my conversations with business owners and residents in the affected counties, I know many of them are concerned that they have not received the full amount of money they have requested – and with how long it will take for them to receive full compensation. I want to thank you for your continued expressed commitment to improving that process.

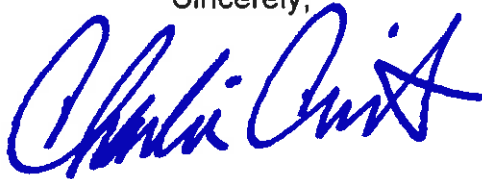
To that end, I ask that you promptly begin working with my legal office, the Office of Policy and Budget, and the Florida Department of Revenue to provide us the data we need to evaluate the claims process and measure the economic impact of the losses to our state as a whole. To be specific, we are asking for a complete electronic file of every business, individual, and government claim throughout Florida, to be updated weekly, with indications whether the claim has been approved, denied, or is still pending a decision.

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Please contact Mr. Jerry McDaniel, Director of the Office of Policy and Budget, at 850-487-1880 or jerry.mcdaniel@myflorida.com or Lisa Echeverri, Executive Director of the Florida Department of Revenue, at 850-488-5238 or echeverri@dor.state.fl.us as soon as possible to coordinate a meeting to work out the details necessary to initiate this process. I am confident that you will generously settle all claims with Florida individuals and businesses, and that you will do the same for the State and affected local governments.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Charlie Crist

cc: Attorney General Bill McCollum
Chief Financial Officer Alex Sink
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