UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE
Silver Spring, MD 20910

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Ms. Katherine Marley
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Chicago, IL 60614

RE: FOIA Request # 2010-00511

Dear Ms. Marley:

This letter requests that you clarify and/or narrow the scope of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request # 2010-00511. In your request dated July 19, 2010, you specifically seek:

> [A] log of all FOIA requests received in 2010 about the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico" and "... any documents which discuss the consequences for marine and wildlife habitats or expansion predictions.

Enclosed is a spread sheet with the log of the all FOIA requests received by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in the Gulf of Mexico.

Based on the extensive nature of second part of your request, i.e., documents which discuss the consequences for marine and wildlife habitats or expansion predictions, we are not certain what to include in your response. Processing your request as is would result in an unreasonable amount of search and review on our part and exorbitant fees on your part. In order for the NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to process your request efficiently, reduce its processing costs, and minimize your fees, please clarify and/or narrow the scope of your request.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 4.4(c), "The record requested must be described in enough detail to enable Department personnel to locate them with a reasonable amount of effort. If possible, a request should include specific information about each record sought, such as the date, title or name, author, recipient, and subject matter of the record. In general, the more specifically the request describes the records sought, the greater the likelihood that the Department will be able to locate those records."

The following are public websites that contain records responsive to your FOIA request. Use of these websites should assist you in clarifying and/or narrowing the scope of your request to records not already provided to the public:

NOAA's Deepwater Horizon/BP Oil Spill Response
http://www.response.restoration.noaa.gov/deepwaterhorizon

GeoPlatform Gulf Response – Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill
http://www.geoplatform.gov/gulfresponse/

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Deepwater Horizon/BP Oil Spill: Federal Fisheries Closure and Other Information
http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/deepwater_horizon_oil_spill.htm

Damage Assessment, Remediation & Restoration – Deepwater Horizon
http://www.darrp.noaa.gov/southeast/deepwater_horizon/index.html

NOAA's Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Trajectory Maps
http://response.restoration.noaa.gov/resource_resourcetopic.php?RECORD_KEY%28resourcetopics%29=resourcetopic_id&resourcetopic_id%28resourcetopics%29=123

Deepwater Horizon Chemistry Data
ftp://ftp.orr.noaa.gov/public/ERD/chemistry-data/

Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Joint Analysis Group
http://ecowatch.ncddc.noaa.gov/jag/index.html

National Data Buoy Center - data on ocean currents (see FAQ to learn how to work with the data you need)
http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/

NOAA NESDIS Satellite Imagery for the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill
http://www.ssd.noaa.gov/PS/MPS/deepwater.html

NOAA Science Missions & Data – BP Oil Spill
http://www.noaa.gov/sciencemissions/bpoilspill.html

Deepwater Horizon Incident News
http://incidentnews.gov/incident/8220

NOAA BP Site
http://www.noaa.gov/sciencemissions/bpoilspill.html

If we do not receive a response from you within 30 calendar days of this letter, we will assume that you do not wish to proceed and will administratively close your request. If you have any questions or concerns regarding our request for a description of specific records, please contact me by email, Mike.Justen@noaa.gov, or by phone, (301) 713-1364 ext. 147.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Justen

Michael E. Justen
NMFS FOIA Liaison Officer

Enclosure

Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Weekly Report
July 30,2010

| | FOIA # | Subject of Request | Organization | Requestor | Date Received | Fullfillment Date | NOAA Line Office Lead |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 2010-00220 | Requesting computerized records of all oil and water spills from 1/1/2008 - present | *Houston Chronicle Report* | Yang Wang | 3/2/2010 | 3/30/2010 | NOS |
| 2 | 2010-00324 | Requesting all potential ecological impacts associated with deepwater drilling spills and leaks in the Gulf of Mexico; and all information (including volume) on past oil spills or leaks in the Gulf of Mexico, and the consequences of the same. | Oceana | Jim Ayers | 4/21/2010 | 5/19/2010 | NOS |
| 3 | 2010-00348 | Requesting information on deepwater oil rig incident dating from 1952-53 that occurred in the Gulf of Mexico. | Private citizen | Patrice Anderson | 5/7/2010 | 6/7/2010 | NOS |
| 4 | 2010-00353 | Requesting information on the Gulf Oil spill and other oil spills in the US of similar proportion to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill. | Private citizen | Larry Budd | 5/12/2010 | 6/10/2010 | NOS |
| 5 | 2010-00365 | Requesting all correspondence including internal communications between the Coast Guard, BP, PLC and NOAA relating to the May 13 release of a video taken at the Deepwater Horizon's well head. | *The Associated Press* | Michael Kunzelman | 5/17/2010 | 6/15/2010 | NOS |
| 6 | 2010-00372 | Requesting all communications with Mineral Management Services - Marine Mammals for outer continental Shell Oil and gas activities in the Gulf of Mexico from 2001 - present | Biological Diversity | Jacklyn Lopez | 5/17/2010 | 6/15/2010 | NMFS - SER |
| 7 | 2010-00377 | Requesting specified records relating to any aspect of the British Petroleum Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico including the ongoing/ live video feed of the oil spillin the Gulf of Mexico provided by BP. | Greenpeace | Annie Weisman | 5/20/2010 | 6/18/2010 | NMFS - HC |
| 8 | 2010-00384 | Requesting the test results of all water samples reported to NOAA, or collected by NOAA, from the Gulf region beginning April 20, 2010 to date | *The New York Times* | Lehren Andrew | 5/26/2010 | 6/24/2010 | NOS |
| 9 | 2010-00385 | Requesting all correspondence from April 20, 2010, to July 1, 2010, between NOAA scientific staff involved in coordinating and conducting studies of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill and the staffs of the Universities that are outlined in his initial request dated May 25, 2010 | *The Associated Press* | Jason Dearen | 6/24/2010 | 7/23/2010 | CAO/FOIA |

Deepwater Horizon Incident Informal Interagency Protocol Worksheet

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| 10 | 2010-00388 | Requesting records relating to the April 20, 2010, Deepwater Horizon/BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, specifically records pertaining to what US EPA and/or environmentalists green groups were urging as to burning off leaking oil. | CEI | Christopher C. Horner | 5/28/2010 | 6/28/2010 | NOS |
| 11 | 2010-00389 | Requesting all potential ecological impacts with deepwater drilling, spills, and leaks in the Gulf of Mexico | State of Louisiana | James Phillips | 5/28/2010 | 6/28/2010 | NOS |
| 12 | 2010-00398 | Requesting specific records including all documents relating to consultations between NOAA and the Minerals Management Service regarding offshore drilling in the Gulf of Mexico from 2000 to 2010. | *Bloomberg News* | Alison Fitzgerald | 6/2/2010 | 6/30/2010 | NMFS - SER |
| 13 | 2010-00399 | Requesting information on the public internet release of all raw ROV video feeds from the underwater response at the MC252 "Deepwater Horizon. | private citizen | Taylor Gordon | 6/2/2010 | 6/30/2010 | CAO/FOIA |
| 14 | 2010-00405 | Requesting all data that NOAA has collected, summaries & research reports regarding the Deepwater Horizon Oil spill. | private citizen | Rick Steiner | 6/4/2010 | 7/2/2010 | NOS |
| 15 | 2010-00418 | Requesting for access to and copies of all records regarding the testing of fish, shellfish, and other sea life in the Gulf of Mexico as it pertains to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. | *KSDK-TV* | Leisa Zigman | 6/10/2010 | 7/9/2010 | NMFS - SF |
| 16 | 2010-00423 | Requesting a copy of NOAA's video shot on April 20 of the administration's initial response to the Deepwater Horizon rig explosion. | *CNN* | Vivian Kuo | 6/11/2010 | 7/12/2010 | PA |
| 17 | 2010-00424 | Requesting a copy of the video recording of the NOAA's Senior Staff Meeting in Seattle on April 20 or 21 of 2010. | *ABC NEWS* | David Kerley | 6/14/2010 | 7/13/2010 | PA |
| 18 | 2010-00434 | Requesting executive summary of the latest report on the Gulf of Mexico which was published on or about June 3, 2010. | private citizen | Warren Pollock | 6/17/2010 | 7/16/2010 | OMAO |
| 19 | 2010-00445 | Requesting written correspondence from members of Congress to NOAA, along with agency responses, pertaining to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico of April 20, 2010, to date. | *The Washington Times* | Jim McElhatton | 6/23/2010 | 7/22/2010 | CAO/FOIA |

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| 20 | 2010-00467 | Requesting for a copy of reports and documents on the results of a field test conducted by NOAA earlier this year on commercial sorbent boom that determined that it absorbed ore oil and less water than hair boom. | *The Lowell Sun* | Joyce Tsai | 7/1/2010 | 7/30/2010 | NOS |
| 21 | 2010-00478 | Request for a copy the sensory assessors being trained/assigned to evaluate seafood samples in connection with the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. | *MSNBC* | Aleccia JoNel | 7/12/2010 | 8/9/2010 | NMFS |
| 22 | 2010-00482 | Request for records relating to the BP/Deepwater Horizion (DH) Gulf of Mexico oil spill regarding sample data of Louisiana crude from the DH well and procedures, policies and plans relating to monitoring fish and seafood contamination. | Natural Resource Defense Council | Marian Rotkin-Ellman | 7/14/2010 | 8/11/2010 | NMFS |
| 23 | 2010-00510 | Request all Correspondence since 4/20/2010 abour the use of dispersants for the BP oil spill and not limited to the dispersant of Corexit. | *AP* | Seth Borenstein | 7/26/2010 | 8/23/2010 | OAR |
| 24 | 2010-00511 | Request for a copy of the FOIA log for all DH FOIA request in the Gulf of Mexico, which discusses the consequences for Marine and Wildlife habitats or exapnsion predictions. | Private citizen | Kathrine Marley | 7/26/2010 | 8/23/2010 | NMFS |
| 25 | 2010-00512 | All agency records relating to necropsies conducted on sea turtles found in the Gulf of Mexico between April 1, 2009 and the time at which this request is processed, including all Gulf sea turtle necropsies conducted by Dr. Brian Stacy during this time period; | PETA | David Gurney | 7/28/2010 | 8/25/2010 | NMFS |