



NIPPON OIL EXPLORATION U.S.A. LIMITED

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March 30, 2011

R.M. Seeley
Director, Southwest Region
U.S. Department of Transportation
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
8701 South Gessner, Suite 1110
Houston, TX 77074

Re: Notice of Violation and Proposed Civil Penalty
CPF 4-2011-7001

Dear Mr. Seeley:

In response to your letter of March 2, 2011, Nippon Oil Exploration U.S.A. Limited has paid the Proposed Civil Penalty in the amount of \$17,800 and submits the attached receipt as proof of the payment.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the undersigned at 713.260.7400 or oatkins@noex.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Oscar Atkins". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Oscar Atkins
Operations Manager

Attachment