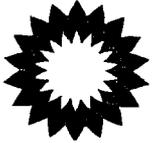




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Dear Senators:

I am responding to your request to expand upon my reply to the question, "Did your company or any representative of your company participate in Vice President Cheney's Energy Task Force in 2001?" that was asked during joint hearing of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation on November 9, 2005.

The response I gave at the hearing on November 9 was, "To be honest, I don't know. I wasn't here then." This was and is a truthful answer as I was not personally involved in Energy Policy issues at the time.

I have since looked into the matter and can advise you that BP representatives did meet with staff members of the National Energy Policy Development Group (Task Force) and provided them with comments on a range of energy policy matters including natural gas, LNG, transportation fuels and renewables. As you know, the Task Force was a government body and as such, BP was not a member. We provided comments and information much like we continue to do, on a routine basis, with members of Congress and the Administration.

Should you have any further questions on this subject, please direct them to Peggy Hudson in our Washington Office.

Sincerely yours,

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