



## **SafeGulf Communication**

### **Gulf of Mexico Contractors Working with BP, Chevron, Shell or ExxonMobil:**

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita have impacted all of us in the offshore E&P industry and recovery will take both time and hard work. The SafeGulf Advisory Group (SGAG) understands that you may have some questions regarding the deadline that SafeGulf has set and hope to address your questions with this communication.

At our most recent meeting, the SGAG elected to keep the deadline of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006 for all contractors to have completed their SafeGulf or SafeGulf equivalent training. While we are aware that most of the shore bases have been impacted by the recent hurricanes and may not have an electronic means of checking an employee's SafeGulf certification by January 1, there will be visual checks to ensure compliance. If an individual does not have their SafeGulf certification, a warning will be issued and their company will be notified. From January 1<sup>st</sup> until April 30th no one will be denied access offshore due to the lack of SafeGulf certification. However, starting May 1<sup>st</sup> anyone checking in for offshore embarkation at a BP, ExxonMobil, Chevron or a Shell shore base will be required to be SafeGulf certified.

BP, Chevron, Shell and ExxonMobil consider maintaining the January 1st deadline a step in the right direction to ensure the momentum and success of SafeGulf. However, we realize that some of you may have unique situations (due to the recent hurricanes) that may require additional time to complete your SafeGulf or SafeGulf equivalent training. In this case, please make arrangements with each operator individually (as needed) to establish alternative compliance timelines. If you have any questions, please contact one of the operator representatives listed below:

- Dean Rayburn – BP – 281-366-2000
- Tim Elsen – Chevron – 337-572-3769
- Milton Bell – ExxonMobil – 281-654-1035
- Jim Shackelford – Shell – 281-544-3431