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## **Stolthaven New Orleans continues recovery process after Hurricane Isaac**

NEW ORLEANS, September, 13, 2012 - Stolthaven New Orleans reports cleanup and recovery operations are continuing at their bulk-liquid storage terminal in Braithwaite, Louisiana.

The safety of people and the environment is our number-one priority.

The terminal was flooded due to Hurricane Isaac and the failure of the levee surge protection system in Plaquemines Parish.

Prior to the storm's arrival, the company implemented its emergency response plan, which was prepared and is maintained in accordance with state and federal requirements.

Terminal personnel shut down the facility and made preparations to prevent and/or reduce the likelihood of damage to the terminal and any environmental impact.

Stolthaven New Orleans engaged two environmental spill response companies. Immediately following the storm these response companies placed protective booms to collect spilled product and keep it contained within the terminal.

The flooding, following the failure of the levees, caused some of the storage tanks to shift off their foundations, which caused a few of them to leak. A full assessment of the tanks that leaked is underway. Damaged tanks are having their contents transferred to tanks in good condition as well as to barges.

Stolthaven personnel are working closely with the Louisiana State Police, the Department of Environmental Quality and the Coast Guard on cleanup and response efforts. Response crews are combing the area looking to recover any equipment that was washed away by flood waters and conduct off-site testing and sampling.

Samples of the flood waters are being collected and analyzed in cooperation with the various government authorities.

As a safety precaution, air monitoring equipment has been setup and air quality measures have met established community guidelines.

Teams are working to restore normal operations at the terminal.