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Synnøve Bakke,

As explained previously, it would be inappropriate for Trafigura to respond to you in detail on these matters while they remain the subject of an investigation by Økokrim. For the avoidance of doubt, however, we must stress that Trafigura vigorously denies any wrongdoing. On the contrary, the company always seeks to comply (and always seeks to ensure that those with whom it contracts, also comply) with all applicable laws and regulations.

For your information we attach a copy of an Agree Statement in the Personal Injury proceedings in London.

You will also no doubt be aware that Professor Ibeanu, the UN Special Rapporteur, has this week published his Report, which purports to consider the *Probo Koala* matter. Should you be considering referring to that Report, you ought to be aware of Trafigura's responses to it, which we enclose herewith, and the contents of which should be reflected in any broadcast.

Kind Regards
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Til: Ingar Fuglevåg; Kjersti Knudssøn
Emne: SV: Interview with the Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation

In addition we would like to have Trafiguras comments to the UNHRC report by Mr. Ibeanu published yesterday.

Regards

Synnøve Bakke
Kjersti Knudssøn

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Sendt: 16. september 2009 12:10
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Sendt: 14. september 2009 20:35
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Emne: Interview with the Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation

Dear Ms. Bakke,

Reference is made to your e-mail of 10 September 2009 with questions to Trafigura in connection with the investigation in Norway related to "Probo Emu" calling Sløvåg in 2006.

Our law firm represents Trafigura, and we have been asked to address your enquiry on behalf of Trafigura.

It should be noted that these matters are still subject to investigation in Norway. Trafigura has not been indicted for any offence and Økokrim has not yet questioned any employee of the company. Despite several applications, Trafigura has not been granted access to the police documents. At this time, Trafigura believes that is inappropriate to answer any questions and that these issues should not be tried in the media.

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Emne: Interview with the Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation

Hi,

In connection with a broadcast for the Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation we would like to ask for an interview with Trafigura regarding the following:

1. Trafigura is charged in Norway for illegal import of waste to Norway. What is your comment to this?
2. In e-mail from Naeem Ahmed 27.12.05 he refers to the leftovers after caustic washing as "toxic caustic". Why do you then claim it was slop onboard the Probo Emu?
3. Why were the company Saybolt not allowed to inspect the waste tank onboard the Probo Emu when she arrived in Sløvåg?
4. Why were there representatives from Trafigura present in Sløvåg when Probo Emu discharged her waste in October 2006?
5. Can you confirm the price quoted in e-mail from Naeem Ahmed to James McNicol dated 27.12.05, of \$ 200-250/kg to dispose of the caustic waste in Rotterdam?
6. In e-mail from Naeem Ahmed dated 27.12.05 he claims there are only one specialist disposal company in Rotterdam, but the waste can not be moved across EU borders. Why did you then choose to send Probo Emu to Vest Tank and why did you not notify Norwegian environmental authorities and apply for import?
7. In internal e-mails the Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation have from employees in Trafigura the product on board the Probo Koala and Probo Emu is not called slop but waste. Why have you later claimed that it was slop?
8. In e-mail from Naeem Ahmed dated 28.12.05 he says that the operation of caustic washing is no longer allowed in EU, US and Singapore. Why did you after this enter into a contract with Vest Tank for them to do the caustic washing in Norway?
9. Why have you not made yourself available for questioning by the Norwegian police as requested by them in the case of illegal import of waste on the Probo Emu?
10. In an e-mail 28.12.05 Mr. Ahmed describes how caustic waste at Alexela's terminal in Paldiski in the matter of 5-6 weeks destroyed the tanks. In Sløvåg the waste was stored from November 2006 to May 2007. Did you tell Vest Tank of the risks regarding the destruction of their tanks?
11. Naeem Ahmed claims in the same e-mail that it is "inherent to remove caustic waste in tanks after 3 to 4 days max". Did you inform Vest Tank of this?
12. Vest Tank claims you did not tell them that
 - a. Probo Emu came to Norway with toxic waste
 - b. you did not tell them that caustic washing was not allowed to do in the EU as stated in Naeem Ahmed's e-mail of 28.12.05
 - c. you did not tell them that the caustic waste could destroy the tanks as they did in Paldiski if the waste was stored for a period of more than 5-6 weeks or 3 to 4 days according to two different e-mails
13. Vest Tank now intend to sue you for damages. What is Trafigura's reaction to this?
14. What is Trafigura's connections to Odfjell terminals in Rotterdam? Have you done caustic cleaning there?
15. When did representatives from Odfjell put you in touch with Vest Tank?
16. Did you tell Odfjell that you intended to send waste to Sløvåg and did they know you planned to do caustic washing at site in Sløvåg?

17. What happened during the discharge of Bow Prospers cargo in La Skhirra in Tunisia in March 2006?
18. In e-mail from Naeem Ahmed to David Foster dated 24.03.06 it is suggested to leave out the presence of di-enes from the La Skhirra report. Why is that?
19. Was there di-enes also present in Sløvåg?
20. In e-mail from Naeem Ahmed dated 27.12.05 he is not sure that the caustic waste in Fujairah was disposed of in a legal way. How was it disposed of?
21. At what scale did you do caustic washing in Fujairah?
22. In e-mail from Leon Christophilopolpus dated 18.04.06 he says you are reduced to perform washing on board ships. Why where you not allowed to do this washing in Fujairah any more?
23. Was there any kind of octane increasing agent added to the coker gasoline prior to the caustic washing in Sløvåg?

We would like to request an interview in London Monday September 14 or Tuesday September 15. I would also like to inform you that all correspondence with the NRK can be published on our web pages at any time.

Best regards,
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