

3 WAYS TO FILE A BP CLAIM

The Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill may have a significant impact on local businesses for months or years to come. Many of our clients have questions about how to pursue claims with BP for loss of income resulting from the disaster. Following is a summary of the claims process to assist you in seeking compensation for your business. For more information, please contact your HBK advisor.

WAYS TO FILE

Businesses and individuals may file claims with BP in any one of the following ways:

- Online: www.bp.com/claims
By phone: (800) 440-0858, available 24/7
In person: visit a BP Claim center, open 7 days a week from 8 am to 7 pm.

Foley: 1506 N. McKenzie St. (Hwy 59), Suite 104
Orange Beach: 24039 Perdido Beach Boulevard
Bayou La Batre: 13290 N. Wintzell Ave

INFORMATION TO HAVE AVAILABLE WHEN YOU FILE

When you begin the claims process, BP will ask for some basic information, including:

- Name, address and phone number
- Social Security Number or EIN (for a business)
- General description of your loss, including the nature of your business, how the oil spill has affected your business and approximately how much money you are losing. This is only an estimate; an adjuster will ask for more detailed information later in the process.

PROCESS

An adjuster should contact you once you have received a claim number, generally within 3-8 days. They will tell you what additional information is needed to process your claim. In some cases, you may want to submit more than one claim. For example, you may choose to file a separate claim for each month you have lost income.

While you are waiting to be contacted, we recommend you start gathering as much of the following as possible:

- 3 -5 Years of Tax Returns
- Information about your business since the oil spill. For example, if you own a hotel, get information together about the number of bookings and cancellations you have for this period compared to the past 3 to 5 years.

If you already have a claim number and have questions about your claim, you may call (800) 573-8249 from 8 am to 8 pm, 7 days a week.

RESOLUTION ISSUES

If you have already filed a claim with BP and are not satisfied with the outcome, you may contact the National Pollution Funds Center of the US Coast Guard at (800) 280-7118.

LINKS

Federal Disaster Assistance:
www.disasterassistance.gov

South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce:
www.southbaldwinchamber.com

Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce:
www.eschamber.com

Alabama State Department of Revenue, Oil Spill FAQ
www.ador.state.al.us/oilspill.html

US Coast Guard National Pollution Funds Center:
www.uscg.mil/npfc

Deepwater Horizon Unified Command
www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com



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