# Was Your Oil Industry Job or Business Affected by the 2015 Santa Barbara Oil Spill?

## You Could Be Part of a Class Action Lawsuit

To: Oil Workers and Businesses that Supplied Offshore Oil Drilling Platforms or Onshore Processing Facilities

There is a class action lawsuit against Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. ("Plains Pipeline"). The Court ordered this notice and decided that this case should be a class action on behalf of a "Class" or group of people. The Court has not decided that Plains Pipeline did anything wrong, and the parties have not reached a settlement. Rather, the case may go to trial. There is no money available now and no guarantee that there will be. Plains Pipeline has filed an appeal with the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals requesting that the Oil Industry Subclass not be allowed to move forward as a Class. Please register at www. PlainsOilSpill.com or call 1-888-684-6801 to be kept informed about the progress of this appeal.

#### What is this case about?

This lawsuit claims that due to the May 19, 2015 Santa Barbara oil spill, workers and businesses that support the Santa Barbara oil industry suffered financial losses with the subsequent pipeline shutdown.

Plains Pipeline denies these claims and denies it did anything wrong. The lawyers for the Class will have to prove their claims in Court.

#### Who's included?

You are included in the **Oil Industry Subclass** if you are an individual or business who was employed or contracted to work on or to provide supplies, personnel, or services for the operations of:

- Offshore oil drilling platforms: Hidalgo, Harvest, Hermosa, Heritage, Harmony, Hondo, and/or Holly, off the Santa Barbara County coast, or
- Onshore processing facilities at Las Flores/POPCO, Gaviota, and/or Venoco/Ellwood, as of May 19, 2015.

Visit the website, www.PlainsOilSpill.com, for more specific information.

#### Who represents the Class?

The Court has appointed a group of attorneys to represent the Class as "Class Counsel." You don't have to pay Class Counsel or anyone else to participate. Class Counsel will seek fees and costs from the Court. Typically, lawyers are paid a percentage of the recovery obtained on behalf of the class or that amount is separately negotiated by the parties. You may hire your own lawyer to appear in Court for you, but if you do, you have to pay that lawyer.

### What are your options?

To stay in the Class, you do not have to do anything. If Plaintiffs are successful, you will be notified about how to make an individual claim for money or benefits. If you want to keep your rights to sue Plains Pipeline on your own over claims or issues in this case, you need to exclude yourself. If you exclude yourself, you cannot get money or benefits from this lawsuit if any are awarded. The deadline to exclude yourself is **January 10, 2019**. You can find out how to exclude yourself at the website or by calling the toll-free number.

For More Information: 1-888-684-6801 www.PlainsOilSpill.com