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LEGISLATORS TO HOLD SPECIAL JOINT MEETING TO ADDRESS NAPOLEONVILLE DOME SINK HOLE ISSUES

State lawmakers serving on key Senate and House natural resource and environmental quality committees will meet jointly to discuss the Napoleonville Dome sink hole near Bayou Corne and its impact on the surrounding communities and residents. The joint meeting of the Senate Natural Resources and Environmental Quality committees and the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment will begin at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 19th in the Hainkel Room at the State Capitol.

As Senator Gerald Long, chairman of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources explained, "We want to hear from everyone involved including state officials, local officials, officials with Texas Brine, the company believed to be involved in the collapse, and citizens impacted by this on-going emergency. We want everything on the table as to the status of the response so far and where we go from here."

The sinkhole was discovered in early August, prompting the evacuation of 150 area residences in the Bayou Corne and Grand Bayou areas. The evacuation continues today.

JOINT SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES,
SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY,
& HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT
RE: BAYOU CORNE AREA SINKHOLE ISSUES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013

10:00 A.M.

HAINKEL ROOM

STATE CAPITAL - BATON ROUGE

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