

COMMANDER OF THE BRAZILIAN NAVY

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To Your Excellency

KAREN PURNELL

Managing Director at International Tanker Owners Pollution Limited

Since the beginning of September 2019, Brazil is united to combat the catastrophic environmental crime that devastated the Brazilian coast and the Brazilian Navy. As the Brazilian Maritime Authority, I would like to acknowledge the efforts undertaken by those who have acted directly or indirectly upon until now, to combat the spill of crude oil on the Brazilian coast.

Due to the unusual situation it was necessary the integration and coordination of different organizations and sectors of the society. Currently, the situation is becoming totally under control, where few places still affected shows only traces. A great effort was taken for this result. Therefore, the Brazilian Navy recognise and appreciate the support of International Tanker Owners Pollution Limited (ITOPF).

It should also be mentioned, the performance of each Brazilian professional that has exercised its duty by cleaning, tracing, realising information or even volunteering, which has had an immense value. Men and Women have worked together on the identification, collection, and appropriate destination of the crude oil. Their dedication expressed reveals that together Brazil is stronger than any threat. We are continually united in to order to minimise environmental and social economic impacts by applying all the resources available.

Finally, I take this opportunity to renew my protests of high esteem and consideration.

Signature

ILQUES BARBOSA JUNIOR

Admiral

Commander of the Brazilian Navy