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“We continue to learn of the unimaginable loss of lives and general destruction that Hurricane Katrina has delivered to Louisiana and other states along the Gulf Coast. Like so many others, The Louisiana Seafood Board is stunned by this disaster.

We hold serious concern for the welfare of all those throughout the Gulf Coast who are bravely confronting the dangerous challenges posed by this horrible storm. Our thoughts and prayers are also with the 30,000 men and women employed within Louisiana’s seafood industry, and the towns and businesses associated with fishing in the Gulf States hit by the hurricane.

While the actual damage of Katrina is not yet fully known, the hurricane’s effect on Louisiana’s seafood industry, which has an annual economic impact of 2.6 billion dollars, will be severe. Once we have a better sense of the impact we’ll issue an educated status report.”

-- *Ewell Smith, executive director of the Louisiana Seafood Promotion & Marketing Board*

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