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TORP Donates \$10K To Bayou Hurricane Relief

(BAYOU LA BATRE, Ala.) –TORP Technology today donated \$10,000 toward hurricane relief efforts in this Alabama town hit hard by Hurricane Katrina.

Lars Odeskaug, CEO of Houston-based TORP Technology, presented a check for \$10,000 to the Rev. Sollie Hicks of the First Methodist Church of Bayou La Batre. Hicks administers hurricane relief funds for the town. Several elected officials from Bayou La Batre and Mobile County were on hand for the presentation, including Councilman Bernard Gazzier, Mobile County Commission President Mike Dean and Ala. State Senator Gary Tanner.

“Much of the nation’s attention has been focused on the plight of New Orleans,” Odeskaug said, “but there are many people along the Gulf Coast whose lives have been affected dramatically and who still need assistance.” Odeskaug said that he and other TORP officials had been moved not only by the destruction caused by Hurricane Katrina but by the efforts of people to rebuild their lives. “People like Reverend Hicks are doing a tremendous amount of good in helping the citizens of Bayou La Batre get back on their feet,” he said.

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TORP is in the planning and design stage for its Bienville Offshore Energy Terminal, which will be located more than 60 miles offshore, south of Dauphin Island, Ala. Filing with the U.S. Coast Guard is planned for first quarter 2006. Award of the Deepwater Port License is anticipated in early 2007, and operations are expected to commence in 2009.