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BHP BILLITON FOUNDATION DONATES US\$250,000 TO RED CROSS DISASTER RELIEF IN ARKANSAS

In response to the devastation caused by recent tornadoes in Arkansas, the BHP Billiton Foundation today donated US\$250,000 to the American Red Cross.

BHP Billiton President, Petroleum and Potash, Tim Cutt, said: “The tornadoes and their aftermath have had a severe impact on communities in Arkansas and given our presence in the state, we hope this donation will assist the Red Cross in helping local people in their recovery.”

As well as the US\$250,000 donation, the BHP Billiton Matched Giving program will donate two dollars for every one dollar donated by an employee.

The BHP Billiton Foundation was established by BHP Billiton in the US as part of its community investment program.

Further information on Red Cross disaster relief can be found at: <http://www.redcross.org>

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