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Professor David Logan explains why a federal court finding BP acted with “gross negligence” in 2010 Gulf of Mexico disaster doesn’t presage criminal trial outcomes.

From the New Orleans Advocate: “Judge’s findings in BP civil case could presage results in criminal trial,” by Richard Thompson

- See Professor Logan's comments on the BP finding in Chemistry World.
David Logan, a law professor at Roger Williams University who has been following the case, said that’s an important difference.

“A criminal jury with a different burden of proof being shouldered by the prosecution could reach a completely different conclusion as a technical matter,” Logan said. “It’s not really relevant to the criminal case.”