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### 11: The Geosphere and a Green Earth

“The 2010 explosion, fire, and subsequent massive leakage of crude oil at the site of the Deepwater Horizon oil well in the Gulf of Mexico illustrates the hazards of probing deep into the geosphere without proper safeguards against the kinds of accidents that can occur at great depths where high temperatures and extreme pressures present unique challenges to technology.”

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