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SUBJECT: Eastern North Slope Applications for Oil and Gas Pipelines

The Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources, Michael Menge, has extended the comment period deadline on the Eastern North Slope oil and gas pipeline applications, which include the Design Basis and Environmental Report, submitted by the Office of Project Management and Permitting. The comment period deadline will close at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, June 8, 2006.

To establish standing to seek judicial review of a decision under AS 38.35.200, a person who has a direct financial interest affected by the lease must have submitted objections by 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 24, 2006.

Comments may be submitted in writing to the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office, 411 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 2C, Anchorage, Alaska 99501 or by facsimile to 907-646-5012.

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