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Ms. Suzan Simonds
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RE: MLUP 13-003, SAExploration Colville Delta 3D Seismic Survey, Miscellaneous Land Use Permit, Geophysical Exploration, Modification Approval: Extension of Survey Boundary

Dear Ms. Simonds:

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas (Division), in accordance with Alaska Statute 38.05 and Alaska Miscellaneous Land Use Regulations (11 AAC 96) grants authorization to conduct activities on state lands as submitted in the plan, dated June 16, 2014, and modified by the approved conditions and stipulations for the above referenced project.

The Division approved the SAExploration (SAE) Colville Delta 3D Seismic Survey permit application, dated April 17, 2013, to conduct geophysical exploration on State of Alaska lands on the North Slope of Alaska on July 10, 2013. That permit, MLUPNS 13-003, authorized SAE to conduct a marine seismic survey on State of Alaska land and waters within the Colville River Delta as per the conditions of the permit.

SAE submitted a modification request to the Division on June 16, 2014 requesting approval to extend the MLUPNS 13-003 geophysical exploration project survey boundary approximately six miles east of the original boundary. Approval of this modification does not relieve SAE from securing other permits or authorizations associated with the proposed modification. Any further modification is subject to further review and approval by the Division.

Scope:

SAE submitted a modification request to the Division on June 16, 2014 requesting approval to extend the MLUPNS 13-003 geophysical exploration project survey boundary approximately six miles east of the original boundary.

Project Location:

The source and receiver area of the extended project boundary includes approximately 90 square miles of combined Beaufort Sea and upland area. The project area extends approximately six linear miles east of the Oliktok Point Dock.

The project spans portions of:

T14N, R09E UM, T14N, R10E UM, T13N, R09E UM, T13N, R10E UM, T12N, R09E UM,
T12N, R10E UM.

Agency Review:

The Division conducted an agency review from June 12, 2014 to June 20, 2014, providing the agencies an opportunity to comment on the modified survey boundary. All agency comments received by the Division expressed non-objection.

Public Review:

The Division conducted a public review from July 8, 2014 to August 7, 2014, providing the public an opportunity to comment on the modified survey boundary. No public comments were received by the Division.

Performance Guarantee:

The permittee has provided the Division with a performance guarantee under 11 AAC 96.060 in the amount of \$100,000.

Modification Approved:

The Division considered all facts material to this modification including the permit provisions contained in this authorization per 11 AAC 96.040(b). The Division has determined that this permit modification and attached stipulations for this non-permanent activity as conditioned is in the state's interest. Stipulations in this permit modification were necessary to protect the state's interest and the public interest.

An eligible person affected by this decision may appeal it, in accordance with 11 AAC 02. Any appeal must be received within 20 calendar days after the date of issuance of this decision, as defined in 11 AAC 02.040(c) and (d), and may be mailed or delivered to the Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; faxed to 1-907-269-8918; or sent by electronic mail to dnr.appeals@alaska.gov. This decision takes effect immediately. If no appeal is filed by the appeal deadline, this decision becomes a final administrative order and decision of the department on the 31st day after issuance. An eligible person must first appeal this decision in accordance with 11 AAC 02 before appealing this decision to Superior Court. A copy of 11 AAC 02 may be obtained from any regional information office of the Department of Natural Resources.

Please direct questions or concerns about this amendment to Paul Blanche at (907) 269-8570 or paul.blanche@alaska.gov.

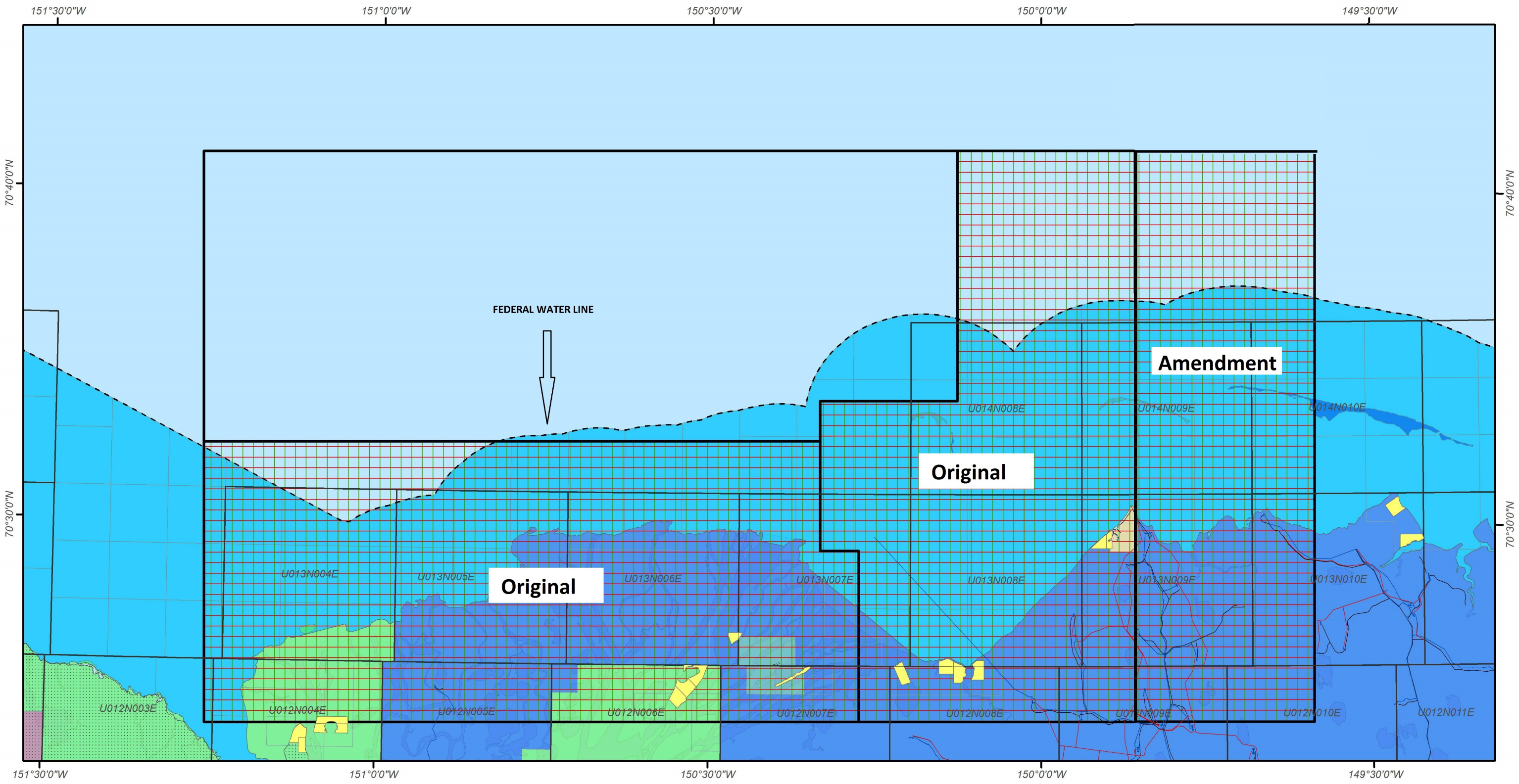
Sincerely,



Kim Kruse
Petroleum Land Manager

Enclosures: Location Map

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- pipeline
- powerline
- road
- Native Allotment
- NPRA
- BLM
- Federal
- Native
- Private
- State
- State and Native
- State Waters

