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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**OF**  
**COMMISSIONER'S ANALYSIS AND PROPOSED DECISION**  
**PTE PIPELINE LLC RIGHT-OF-WAY DRAFT LEASE**  
**MINERAL ORDER No. 1126**  
**AND**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) received an application, dated August 4, 2010, from PTE Pipeline LLC for a pipeline Right-of-Way Lease under Alaska Statute 38.35 (Right-of-Way Leasing Act) for the proposed Point Thomson Export Pipeline. The public notice of the application was published in accordance with AS 38.35.070 on August 19, 2010. In accordance with AS 38.35.080 the Commissioner has prepared an analysis of the PTE Pipeline LLC application.

Associated with the issuance of the Right-of-Way Lease, and justified within the Commissioner's Analysis and Proposed Decision, the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office has requested a Mineral Order (MO 1126) closing the subsurface estate of the proposed operational right-of-way to mineral entry and location in accordance with AS 38.05.185.

The public is invited to comment on the MO 1126, the Draft Right-of-Way Lease and the Commissioner's Analysis and Proposed Decision, which finds PTE Pipeline LLC to be fit, willing and able to construct and operate a pipeline in a manner required by present and future public interest as required by AS 38.35.100.

PTE Pipeline LLC has requested a 400-foot wide right-of-way for construction of the pipeline and a 100-foot wide operations right-of-way. During construction, the right-of-way on State-owned or managed lands will be approximately 1,066 acres. The operations right-of-way will be approximately 266.5 acres.

The proposed oil pipeline will extend from the Point Thomson Central Pad (ADL 47558, 47559, 47570, 47571) to Badami Sales Oil Pipeline, both located on the North Slope of Alaska. The proposed pipeline right-of-way will contain one 12.75-inch diameter pipe. The pipeline design maximum throughput is approximately 70,000 barrels per day.

The proposed pipeline will be above ground for its entire 22-mile length and will be located entirely on land owned by the State of Alaska.

The public may obtain printed copies of the Draft Right-of-Way Lease, Commissioner's Analysis and Proposed Decision, or MO 1126, at cost, from the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office.

The documents are also available for download at the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office website:

<http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pco>

Copies of the documents will also be available for viewing at the following locations:

Kaktovik Public School Library  
Nuiqsut Public School Library  
Tuzzy Consortium Library, Barrow  
Loussac Library, Anchorage  
Noel Wien Library, Fairbanks

If a comment is to be considered part of the case file record, then it must be submitted to the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office in writing before 5:00 p.m. on October 30, 2012.

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

DNR will hold four public hearings on the Draft Right-of-Way Lease and Commissioner's Analysis and Proposed Decision:

Barrow Inupiat Heritage Center	October 23, 2012	6pm – 8pm
Kaktovik Community Center	October 24, 2012	6pm – 8pm
Nuiqsut Kisik Community Center	October 25, 2012	6pm – 8pm
Fairbanks Westmark Hotel	October 29, 2012	6pm – 8pm

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