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CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Travis Renk  
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Subject: 2018 Lease Plan of Development for Gas Storage Project (ADL 391627)

Dear Mr. Renk:

Cook Inlet Natural Gas Storage, LLC (CINGSA) submitted a proposed 2018 Plan of Development (POD) for gas storage lease ADL 391627 on February 1, 2018. This decision approves the 2018 POD.

Paragraph 11 of the lease requires annual updates to the POD, which must describe the Gas Storage Formation, long-range activities, proposed operations for the coming year, and a sequence and schedule of operations. CINGSA provided this information in its 2018 POD.

During the 2017 POD period, CINGSA injected 5.34 BCF (billion cubic feet) of natural gas and withdrew 5.9 BCF. CINGSA conducted semi-annual shut-ins in April and October for maintenance. For the 2018 POD period, CINGSA anticipates maintaining the storage facility and conducting small projects, mostly related to maintenance. CINGSA is also continuing to evaluate its options regarding a potential sale of found native gas.

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas approves the 2018 POD for gas storage for the period April 3, 2018 through April 2, 2019. This approval is for a general plan of development. Specific field operations will require separate approval. Under Paragraph 11 of the lease, the 2019 POD is due on February 1, 2018, 60 days before the expiration of the 2018 POD.

The Division received for the first time a digital copy of the production and injection volumes and appreciates CINGSA's cooperation. We expect this will become standard practice in the future.

Alaska Statute 28.05.180(u) dictates ADL 391627 is exempt from annual rental for the first year of commercial operation and the following nine years of commercial operation. CINGSA began commercial operation during 2012, therefore the lease is exempt from annual rental until 2023.

A 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 Andrew Mack, 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](mailto:dnr.appeals@alaska.gov). This decision takes effect immediately. 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.

Sincerely,



Chantal Walsh  
Director