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Public Comment: Dear Governor, DNR, DOG and all Alaskans,

Alaska is over 2 1/2 times the size of Texas yet Alaska has had less then 20 exploration wells drilled per year for at least the last decade and Texas has had over 700 exploration wells.

In fact Alaska has had the least amount of exploration wells out of all major oil and gas states in the nation and is the only oil state that did not have an increase in oil production last year.

The state of Alaska state oil and gas lease sales for the last decade had bids on less then 5% out of all tracts offered and over 95% has had no bids, I feel this can improve if the state improves it's attractiveness using the following proposals.

I propose that the DNR DOG Lower cost of the minimum bid on all Alaska oil and gas lease sales to \$ 1.00 per acre and rentals to a flat \$1.00 per acre per year on all state seal bid state oil and gas lease sales. This

will help cause more bidders interested in more exploration and production in Alaska and will be in the best interest of the state and the people of Alaska.

Many reports prove Alaska has lots of oil and gas yet to be produced but the state has been unwise and too harsh to cause enough new investment to stop the massive oil and gas decline that will cause the state to be bankrupt in the near future. The proof is in the fact that the state's production is in decline and has not reversed under the current system.

The state needs to listen to those of us smaller companies that have tried to overcome a state that has almost 99% of the state's oil production done by 3 or 4 majors that seem to control the markets and most everything else. Alaska has been a company town for too long and it is time to let the smaller companies and Alaska's invest and profit.

One fact that can't be disputed is that not one oil company in Alaska has recorded a profit by finding and selling oil except the majors. Please correct me if I am wrong, if you can would you be so kind to name the oil company and send it to me by email.

I also propose all disputes between the state's lease owners and the state have a right to a jury trial or by a judge in Alaska state court.

The state as land Lord of most all of the state oil and gas leases should not be the judge with it's tenants, it is like having your spouse as your judge in a divorce court!

I feel as it is today the state's administrative appeal system is not real due process system and is unfair and this keeps investors out of Alaska's oil business and is not in the best interest of the state or the people.

Finally, I suggest the state change it's harsh rulings on exploration unit applicants and work harder to help all oil and gas companies succeed by being more forgiving and more generous toward smaller oil and gas competitors and the majors.

If the state will not do the above proposals then people of the state should do what is needed to cause a transfer all state subsurface and surface rights to all Alaskans on a pro rata basis using the lottery system.

I have many more proposals if you are interested please contact me by email. Thank you very much for this chance to share my insight after 30 years of being in the oil industry in Alaska and as one of the state's biggest owners of state leases and one of the biggest bidders in Alaska's oil and gas lease sales. I hope I have been of some help in your effort to make Alaska more productive and safe for all Alaskans and investors.

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