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NOTICE OF SALE

BEAUFORT SEA AREAWIDE 2001 NORTH SLOPE AREAWIDE 2001

COMPETITIVE OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources (ADNR), Division of Oil and Gas (DO&G), will offer lands for competitive oil and gas leasing in North Slope Areawide 2001 and Beaufort Sea Areawide 2001 Oil and Gas Lease Sales on October 24, 2001. Bid opening begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Wilda Marston Theater, in the Loussac Public Library, 3600 Denali St., in Anchorage.

North Slope Areawide encompasses approximately 5.1 million acres, divided into 1,225 tracts ranging in size from 640 to 5,760 acres. The sale area lies between the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) and the National Petroleum Reserve – Alaska (NPRA). The southern boundary of the sale area is the Umiat Meridian Baseline. Beaufort Sea Areawide covers approximately 2 million acres of state-owned tide and submerged lands from Canada to Point Barrow, divided into 573 tracts ranging in size from 640 to 5,760 acres.

North Slope Areawide 2001

Bidding Method: Cash bonus bidding with a minimum bid of five dollars (\$5) per acre on all tracts.

Royalty Rate: Leases issued on tracts 0520 through 1225 will have a fixed royalty rate of sixteen and

two-thirds percent (16.66667%). All other tracts will have a fixed royalty rate of twelve

and one-half percent (12.5%).

Term of Lease: All leases will have a term of seven (7) years.

Beaufort Sea Areawide 2001

Bidding Method: Cash bonus bidding with a minimum bid of ten dollars (\$10) per acre on all tracts.

Royalty Rate: Leases issued on tracts 40 through 77, 468 through 554, and 556 will have a fixed

royalty rate of twelve and one-half percent (12.5%). Leases issued on all other tracts

will have a fixed royalty rate of sixteen and two-thirds percent (16.66667%).

Term of Lease: Leases issued on tracts 40 through 77, 468 through 554, and 556 will have a term of ten

(10) years. Leases issued on all other tracts will have a term of seven (7) years.

Rental

Annual rental on all state leases is \$1.00 per acre for the first year, \$1.50 per acre for the second year, \$2.00 per acre for the third year, \$2.50 per acre for the fourth year, and \$3.00 per acre for the fifth and following years.

Bidder's Information

Complete details regarding these lease sales, including the sale announcements in their entirety, instructions to bidders, tract deletions, and regional tract maps are available on the division's website:

www.dog.dnr.state.ak.us/oil. If unable to access this information, contact Suzanne Gaguzis, (907) 269-8803, email at msg@dnr.state.ak.us. The sale announcements and regional tract maps are also available in the following locations: Nuiqsut Public Library, North Slope Borough Library Media Center, North Slope Borough Offices, Tuzzy Consortium Library in Barrow, City of Barrow Municipal Offices, Kaveolook School Library in Kaktovik, Loussac Public library in Anchorage, and the Division of Oil and Gas.

Decision of No New Information

The Commissioner of Natural Resources has issued a *Decision of No New Information* for both lease sales. These decisions are available on the division's website and at the above-mentioned locations.

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