

Monthly Summary
Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
September 1 to September 30, 2011

Commission Business

1. The regular Public Meeting of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was held on Wednesday, September 7th.
2. Commissioner Foerster participated on a panel discussing North Slope gas development options.
3. Commissioner Norman met with representatives of a new company holding a large block of acreage in the Cook Inlet Basin and planning an exploration program.
4. Commissioner Norman's deposition was taken in the State vs. BP litigation.
5. The Commission held a public hearing on the 15th and 16th to seek comments in Docket OTH-10-16 concerning whether changes are needed to the AOGCC's regulations governing drilling, rig workover and well control in offshore and ultra-extended reach wells drilled in areas of the State of Alaska under the AOGCC's jurisdiction.
6. Commissioner Norman worked on Resolutions and proposed Bylaws Revisions for the annual meeting of the National Ground Water Protection Council in Atlanta, GA
7. The Commissioners met with Kurt Gibson, the new director of the Alaska Gas Pipeline Project Office.
8. Fourteen AOGCC staff and family members contributed their free time and talents toward building a Habitat for Humanity House. They constructed outer walls for the second floors of three houses. No one was injured, everyone had a good time, some learned new skills, and all enjoyed being treated by the commissioners to Moose's Tooth pizza for lunch.
9. Commissioners Seamont and Foerster attended the Energy Council Annual Meeting, which was held in Anchorage.
10. Commissioner Norman attended the Ground Water Protection Council Annual Forum in Atlanta, GA.

Orders

1. The Commission issued Administrative Approval Area Injection Order 2B.062 granting the ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc request to continue water injection in the KRU 2T-10 (PTD 1860960) well.
2. The Commission issued Administrative Approval Area Injection Order 2B.063 granting the ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc request to continue water injection in the KRU 3F-04 (PTD 1852280) well.
3. The Commission issued Administrative Approval Area Injection Order 4E.039 granting the ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc request to continue water injection in the PBU 03-37 (PTD 2091390) well.
4. The Commission cancelled Administrative Approval AIO 2B.009.

5. The Commission Issued Administrative Approval AIO 2B.064 which allows Conoco Phillips Alaska, Inc. to continue water injection in the KRU 2X-05 (PTD 1831070) well.
6. The Commission Issued Administrative Approval AIO 2B.063(Corrected) which allows Conoco Phillips Alaska, Inc. to continue water injection in the KRU 3F-04 (PTD 1852280) well.
7. The Commission cancelled Administrative Approval AIO 2B.053-Amended.

Regulatory Activities Completed / Continuing

1. Senior staff gathered relevant documents for the Public Hearing to seek comments in Docket OTH-10-16 concerning whether changes or additions may be needed to the AOGCC's regulations governing drilling, rig workover and well control in offshore and ultra-extended reach wells drilled in areas of the State of Alaska under the AOGCC's jurisdiction.
2. One SRPS is at Legal for review.
3. Staff reviewed Regulatory Cost Charge calculations.
4. Two members of the senior engineering staff have been preparing for the Professional Engineers certification exam.
5. The EPA Grant Closeout Report was finished and mailed.
6. Senior staff attended a presentation by Ormat on their drill programs on Mt. Spurr.

Projects Completed / Continuing

1. Commission staff continues to update the web published Statistical Report.
2. Senior Staff has been working on amendments to AS Title 31, and Title 20.
3. Senior Staff are reviewing and revising the Performance Measures for FY 2011.
4. Senior staff is working on a study of potential gas resources on the North Slope.
5. Fourteen (14) well histories and One Thousand Forty One (1,041) digital well logging/data files were released to the public.
6. One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Eight (1,258) MegaBytes of requested data were delivered to the public.
7. Sixteen (16) Permit to Drill applications were scanned into Laserfiche.

Permitting

1. Drilling Permit Approvals (September) – 19 (Exp/Strat Test 0, Dev 13, Ser 6)
2. Rig count – 19; North Slope – 13; Cook Inlet – 6; Coal Core – 0; Geothermal - 0; (Up Three from last month)
3. Total Permit/Sundry Applications and Sundry Reports to date:
401's = 146; 403's = 306; 404's = 417; 407's = 177; Total 1046.