

**Monthly Summary**  
**Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**  
**October 1 to October 31, 2011**

**Commission Business**

1. The Commission's monthly public meeting was held on Wednesday October 5, 2011. The proposed regulatory cost charges were presented.
2. The Commission held a hearing on meter prove calibration Tuesday October 11, 2011.
3. Commissioner Foerster participated in a career paths panel for BP's women's networking group.
4. Commissioners Foerster and Seamount attended the IOGCC annual meeting in Buffalo, New York. Governor Parnell, also present, was named chairman for the following year. He was the keynote speaker.
5. Commissioner Norman spoke to the Tuesday noon meeting (18 Oct) of Alaska Association of Drilling Engineers (AADE) about issues related to well control in the aftermath of last year's Macondo blowout in the Gulf of Mexico.
6. Commission held a hearing to determine whether lower-than-planned injection into the Oooguruk Kuparuk and Nuiqsit formations will result in hydrocarbon waste.
7. Commissioners Foerster and Norman attended an AOGA presentation on the role of the oil and gas industry in Alaska's economy.

**Orders**

1. The Commission issued Admin Approval AIO 2B.065 Amended.
2. The Commission issued Conservation Order 653 for Kenai Loop #3.
3. The Commission issued Conservation Order 635A for Nicolai Creek Unit.
4. The Commission issued Conservation Order 646.001 for McArthur River Unit.
5. The Commission issued Administrative Approval Area Injection Order 2B.066.

**Regulatory Activities Completed / Continuing**

1. Gas-Only Recommendation for Chandler 1 Well Testing Program was completed and sent to DEC.
2. One SRPS is at Legal for review.
3. Commission staff attended a DEC-hosted meeting with DEC, DNR-DOG, Coast Guard, NOAA, and Escopeta representatives.
4. Commission staff met with CINGSA and Marathon regarding integrity demonstrations on existing wells.

## **Projects Completed / Continuing**

1. Commission staff continues to update the web published Statistical Reports (Continuing activity).
2. Commission is working with the Landlord on design and planning for expansion into adjacent office space. The work will beginning in November and is expected to be finished by year-end.
3. Senior Staff has been working on amendments to AS Title 31, and Title 20.
4. Senior Staff are reviewing and revising the Performance Measures for FY 2011.
5. Senior staff is working on a study of potential gas resources on the North Slope. (continuing)
6. Senior staff is gathering data on historic frac size and volumes by Field/pool and gathering other relevant information on frac issues. (continuing)
7. Twelve (12) well histories and Five hundred Sixty Four (564) digital well logging/data files were released to the public.
8. Four (4) cuttings and core chip sample sets (representing 33,626 borehole feet) were released to the Geological Materials Center.
9. Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Two (6,782) MegaBytes of requested data were delivered to the public.
10. Thirty nine (39) Permit to Drill applications were scanned into Laserfiche.

## **Permitting**

1. Drilling Permit Approvals (October) – 9 ( Exp/Strat Test 1, Dev 4, Ser 4)
2. Rig count – 19; North Slope – 15; Cook Inlet – 4; Coal Core – 0; Geothermal - 0; (No change from last month)
3. Total Permit/Sundry Applications and Sundry Reports to date:  
401's = 159; 403's = 334; 404's = 448; 407's = 188; Total 1129.