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Subject: FW: Please Adopt Strong Fracking Rules

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Sent: Sunday, October 13, 2013 3:40 PM
To: Colombie, Jody J (DOA)
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Dear Jodie Columbie,

Alaska prides itself for providing a much-needed balance in managing our magnificent natural resources. That's why I hope the AOGCC will stand strong and adopt new fracking rules that protect our right-to-know about toxic fracking fluids used around our homes, our salmon streams and our drinking water sources.

We need rules that:
Provide broad public access to fracking-related information, and not rely solely on the problematic FracFocus website to disseminate fracking fluid information to the public.
Provide landowners adequate notice and opportunity to secure their water rights prior to the use of fracking fluids.
Thank you for your consideration of these important issues!

These new rules should:

• Require before-and-after water monitoring around each well that is subject to fracturing operations within a half-mile of a freshwater source.
• Require full disclosure where and when fracking fluids will be used, what toxic constituents the fracking fluids may contain, and what amounts of chemicals will be used BEFORE and AFTER fracking operations commence.
• Allow no trade secret exemptions from the requirement to disclose the constituents of fracking fluids prior to or after their use.
• Provide broad public access to fracking-related information, and not rely solely on the problematic FracFocus website to disseminate fracking fluid information to the public.
• Provide landowners adequate notice and opportunity to secure their water rights prior to the use of fracking fluids.

Powerful oil and gas interests do not want Alaskans to know what chemicals they are using around our surface and ground waters. It's up to the AOGCC to protect the public interest and ensure the health and safety of Alaskan waters from fracking for generations to come.

Sincerely,
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