

# STATE OF ALASKA

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### **CANCELLATION ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL AREA INJECTION ORDER 3.017**

Mr. Doug Cismoski, P.E.  
Wells Intervention Manager  
Attention: Well Integrity Engineer, PRB-20  
BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.  
P.O. Box 196612  
Anchorage, AK 99519-6612

RE: Cancellation of Administrative Approval AIO 3.017  
Prudhoe Bay Unit Well Z-19A (PTD 2061050)  
Prudhoe Bay Oil Pool

Dear Mr. Cismoski:

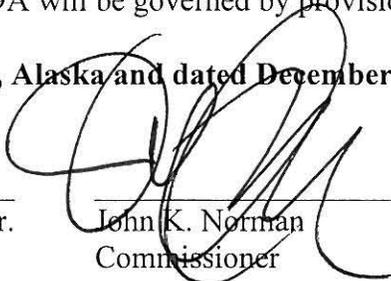
Pursuant to BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc. (BPXA)'s request dated December 19, 2011 the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (Commission) hereby **CANCELS** Administrative Approval AIO 3.017, which allows continued water and gas injection in Prudhoe Bay Unit ("PBU") well Z-19A. This WAG injection well exhibited outer annulus (OA) repressurization due to penetration of a gas hydrate deposit. The OA pressures were successfully managed with periodic bleeds and BPXA did not at the time propose to eliminate the problem. The Commission determined that there was no internal well communication and WAG injection could safely continue in the well, but subject to a number of restrictive conditions set out in the administrative approval.

BPXA has determined to not operate the well pending a workover to eliminate the communication and requests that the AIO 3.017 be cancelled. Consequently, Administrative Approval AIO 3.017 no longer applies to operation of this well. Instead, operation of PBU Z-19A will be governed by provisions of the underlying AIO No. 3.

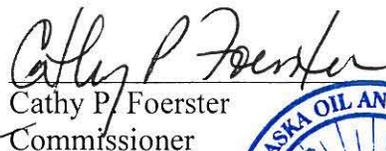
**DONE at Anchorage, Alaska and dated December 22, 2011.**



Daniel T. Seamount, Jr.  
Commissioner, Chair



John K. Norman  
Commissioner



Cathy P. Foerster  
Commissioner



#### RECONSIDERATION AND APPEAL NOTICE

As provided in AS 31.05.080(a), within **20** days after written notice of the entry of this order or decision, or such further time as the Commission grants for good cause shown, a person affected by it may file with the Commission an application for reconsideration of the matter determined by it. If the notice was mailed, then the period of time shall be **23** days. An application for reconsideration must set out the respect in which the order or decision is believed to be erroneous.

The Commission shall grant or refuse the application for reconsideration in whole or in part within 10 days after it is filed. Failure to act on it within 10-days is a denial of reconsideration. If the Commission denies reconsideration, upon denial, this order or decision and the denial of reconsideration are **FINAL** and may be appealed to superior court. The appeal **MUST** be filed within **33** days after the date on which the Commission mails, **OR 30** days if the Commission otherwise distributes, the order or decision denying reconsideration, **UNLESS** the denial is by inaction, in which case the appeal **MUST** be filed within **40** days after the date on which the application for reconsideration was filed.

If the Commission grants an application for reconsideration, this order or decision does not become final. Rather, the order or decision on reconsideration will be the **FINAL** order or decision of the Commission, and it may be appealed to superior court. That appeal **MUST** be filed within **33** days after the date on which the Commission mails, **OR 30** days if the Commission otherwise distributes, the order or decision on reconsideration. As provided in AS 31.05.080(b), “[t]he questions reviewed on appeal are limited to the questions presented to the Commission by the application for reconsideration.”

In computing a period of time above, the date of the event or default after which the designated period begins to run is not included in the period; the last day of the period is included, unless it falls on a weekend or state holiday, in which event the period runs until 5:00 p.m. on the next day that does not fall on a weekend or state holiday.