

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**ALASKA OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**3001 Porcupine Drive**  
**Anchorage Alaska 99501-3192**

Re: **THE APPLICATION OF BP** ) Conservation Order No. 386  
**EXPLORATION (ALASKA) INC.** for an )  
order granting an exception to spacing )  
requirements of Title 20 AAC 25.055 ) BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc.  
to provide for the drilling of the BP Milne ) MPK-33  
Point Field MPK-33 exploratory oil well. )  
January 14, 1997.

**IT APPEARING THAT:**

1. BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc. submitted an application dated December 23, 1996 requesting exception to 20 AAC 25.055(a)(1) to allow completing the BP Milne Point Field MPK-33 oil well to a location closer than 500 feet from a quarter section line in an undefined oil pool within the Sag River formation.
2. Notice of opportunity for public hearing was published in the Anchorage Daily News on December 27, 1996 pursuant to 20 AAC 25.540.
3. No protests to the application were received.

**FINDINGS:**

1. The BP MPK-33 well as proposed will be a deviated hole drilled from a surface location 3536' from the south line (FSL) and 2056' from the east line (FEL) of Section 3, T12N, R11E, Umiat Meridian (UM) to a proposed Sag River Formation producing location 5067' FSL and 3511' FEL of Section 11, T12N, R11E, UM.
2. Occidental Petroleum Corporation, the only offset owner, has been duly notified.
3. An exception to 20 AAC 25.055(a)(1) is necessary to allow completion of this well within the Sag River Formation.

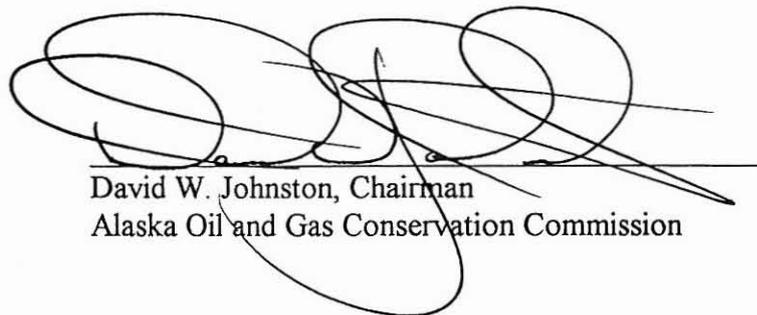
**CONCLUSION:**

Granting a spacing exception to allow the completion of the BP MPK-33 well within the Sag River Formation as proposed will not result in waste nor jeopardize correlative rights.

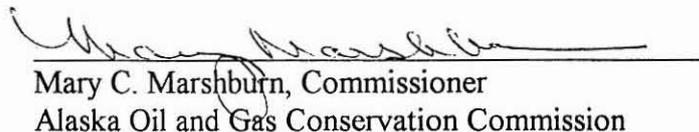
**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:**

BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc.'s application for exception to 20 AAC 25.055 for the purpose of completing the Milne Point Field MPK-33 well as proposed is approved.

**DONE** at Anchorage, Alaska and dated January 14, 1997.



David W. Johnston, Chairman  
Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission



Mary C. Marshburn, Commissioner  
Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

AS 31.05.080 provides that within 20 days after receipt of written notice of the entry of an order, a person affected by it may file with the Commission an application for rehearing. A request for rehearing must be received by 4:30 PM on the 23rd day following the date of the order, or next working day if a holiday or weekend, to be timely filed. The Commission shall grant or refuse the application in whole or in part within 10 days. The Commission can refuse an application by not acting on it within the 10-day period. An affected person has 30 days from the date the Commission refuses the application or mails (or otherwise distributes) an order upon rehearing, both being the final order of the Commission, to appeal the decision to Superior Court. Where a request for rehearing is denied by nonaction of the Commission, the 30-day period for appeal to Superior Court runs from the date on which the request is deemed denied (i.e., 10th day after the application for rehearing was filed).