

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

Re: Regulatory Cost Charges for Fiscal)
Year 2001.)

October 19, 2000

**ORDER ESTABLISHING FISCAL YEAR 2001
REGULATORY COST CHARGES**

IT APPEARING THAT:

1. On September 6, 2000, pursuant to 20 AAC 25.615 the Commission gave written notice of proposed fiscal year 2001 regulatory cost charges under AS 31.05.093 to operators subject to those charges.
2. One operator, Phillips Alaska, Inc., responded in writing with a comment or request for revision.
3. On October 6, 2000, the Commission provided a copy of Phillips Alaska, Inc.'s submission to all operators subject to fiscal year 2001 regulatory cost charges.
4. Notice of public hearing on the proposed fiscal year 2001 regulatory cost charges was published in the Anchorage Daily News on September 7, 2000.
5. A public hearing was held at the Commission's offices on October 17, 2000. One person, representing BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc., testified. This witness did not object to the proposed regulatory cost charges or to revision of those charges in accordance with Phillips Alaska, Inc.'s submission.

FINDINGS:

1. The appropriation, other than of federal receipts, made for the operating costs of the Commission for this fiscal year is \$2,768,300.00.
2. The lapsed amount of the fiscal year 2000 appropriation that is included in this fiscal year's appropriation under AS 31.05.093(d) is \$244,651.14.

3. A reasonable estimate of the total fees to be collected under AS 31.05.090 during this fiscal year is \$15,000.
4. The amounts constituting VOP under 20 AAC 25.605(a) for the operators subject to a fiscal year 2001 regulatory cost charge are as follows:

BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.	1,955,740,538	Bbl
Cross Timbers Oil Company	4,577,548	Bbl
Forcenergy, Inc.	2,362,800	Bbl
Marathon Oil Company	2,982,808	Bbl
North Slope Borough	243,135	Bbl
Ocean Energy Resources, Inc.	2,800	Bbl
Phillips Alaska, Inc.	440,415,450	Bbl
Phillips Petroleum Co.	8,608,731	Bbl
Union Oil Co. of California	87,082,204	Bbl

CONCLUSIONS:

1. The Commission chooses not to include in its calculation of fiscal year 2001 regulatory cost charges an allowance to cover charges that the Commission may be unable to collect.
2. Using the formula set out in 20 AAC 25.605, the fiscal year 2001 regulatory cost charges for the operators subject to those charges are as follows:

BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.	\$1,960,925.21
Cross Timbers Oil Company	4,589.68
Forcenergy, Inc.	2,369.06
Marathon Oil Company	2,990.72
North Slope Borough	243.78
Ocean Energy Resources, Inc.	2.81
Phillips Alaska, Inc.	441,582.99
Phillips Petroleum Co.	8,631.55
Union Oil Co. of California	87,313.06

3. Appropriate payments dates under 20 AAC 25.620 are November 13, 2000, for the second quarter of the fiscal year; January 16, 2001, for the third quarter, and April 16, 2001, for the fourth quarter.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that the operators listed in Conclusion 2 of this order shall pay their respective regulatory cost charges set out therein, less their respective estimated fiscal year 2001 regulatory cost charges that have previously been paid, by paying one third of the amount owed by each payment date set out in Conclusion 3 of this order or sooner.

DONE at Anchorage, Alaska and dated October 19, 2000.



Camille Oechsli Taylor

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Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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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).