



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Reply to
Attn. Of: OWW-130

To all interested government agencies,
Tribal governments, public groups, companies,
and individuals:

Enclosed is the Draft Scoping Document for the proposed Chuitna Coal Project located approximately 45 miles west of Anchorage, Alaska. It is being sent to you because you specifically requested that you be kept informed during the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) and permitting processes, or because your name is on an agency mailing list and we wanted to give an opportunity to participate in these processes.

As explained in greater detail in the document, scoping is the first step in the SEIS process as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Scoping has several purposes, one of which is to inform potentially interested parties about the proposed project and to solicit their participation and input. Scoping will begin on June 9, 2006 with the Federal Register publication of a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare a SEIS to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. The scoping process will end on July 24, 2006.

The Draft Scoping Document explains how you may become involved, and where to get additional information about the project. We are interested in obtaining your comments and suggestions about issues to be included in the SEIS process. Please note that scoping meetings have been scheduled for July 10, 2006 in Kenai/Soldotna, July 11 in Anchorage, and July 12 in Beluga and Tyonek. We hope to see you at the meetings.

If you do not want to remain on our mailing list, please send me an email at shaw.hanh@epa.gov, or call at (206) 553-0171.

Thank you for your time, and we look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

/S/
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Project Manager

Enclosure