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OFFICE OF
WATER AND WATERSHEDS

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Tom Barrett
BP Exploration Alaska, Inc.
P.O. Box 196612
900 East Benson Blvd.
Anchorage, AK 99519

Dear Mr. Barrett:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is reissuing the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for BP Exploration Alaska, Inc.'s Endicott Operations (Permit), NPDES Permit Number AK-003866-1. This permit renewal reauthorizes the three outfalls covered under the expired permit. It also provides permit coverage for sanitary and domestic wastewater discharges from the Liberty Development Project. Enclosed are a copy of the final Permit, the Response to Comments document, and the Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Liberty Development Project.

This letter serves as service of notice under 40 CFR §124.19(a). The service of notice date for this permit, in accordance with 40 CFR §124.19(a) and 40 CFR §124.20, is August 24, 2009. The permit will become effective on the date indicated in the permit unless a timely appeal meeting the requirements of 40 CFR §124.19 is received by the Environmental Appeals Board. Information about the administrative appeal process may be obtained on-line at <http://www.epa.gov/eab> or by contacting the Clerk of the Environmental Appeals Board at (202) 233-0122.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Bussell, Director
Office of Water and Watersheds

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Shawn Stokes, Industrial Permitting Manager, ADEC
Mr. Edward S. Itta, Mayor, North Slope Borough
Ms. Doreen Lampe, Tribal Council President, Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope (ICAS)
Mr. Brad Smith, National Marine Fisheries Service
Ms. Sarah Conn, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service