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**Re: Request for Fish Habitat Permits
CPAI 2008/09 Exploration Drilling Program: Pioneer 1 and Grandview 1 East**

Dear Mr. McLean:

ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. (CPAI) hereby applies for fish habitat permits in support of our 2008/2009 exploration drilling program on the North Slope of Alaska. The subject wells are located on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands in the northeast planning area of the National Petroleum Reserve- Alaska (NPR-A). Ice road and pad construction and transportation activities will occur on BLM, State of Alaska, and Kuukpik Native Corporation selected lands. Please see the enclosed Plans of Exploration for additional details. CPAI anticipates that activities associated with the program will start in December 2008 and end June 2009.

Local lakes will be used to support exploration and production activities. CPAI will work with the ADF&G to ensure only certified water withdrawal screens are used. Additionally, the screens will be maintained and operated in a manner to ensure intake velocities do not exceed 0.5 feet per second as specified by the ADF&G. Lake maps, temporary water use application summary tables, and back-up information have been enclosed for your review.

CPAI will use engineering and administrative controls to minimize the potential for spills. In the unlikely event that a spill occurs, it would be contained on the surface of the frozen lake, reported as required by various regulations and completely covered by onsite spill technicians.

Your review and approval of the application would be greatly appreciated. To minimize the environmental impact associated with submitting hard copies of other agencies' permit applications, they are available electronically for your review at www.conocophillipsalaska.com/permits/.

If you have any questions or desire additional information, please contact me at your earliest convenience. E-mail: bruce.st.pierre@conocophillips.com. Phone number (907) 265-6417.

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Sincerely,

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