

LAWS OF ALASKA 2003

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Chapter No.

AN ACT

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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* **Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

LEGISLATIVE FINDING. The legislature finds that focusing on the actual testing of oil spill prevention and response preparedness through in-the-field inspections, drills, and exercises is our most effective means of ensuring spill prevention and response readiness and protection of the environment.

* **Sec. 2.** AS 46.04.030(d) is amended to read:

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(d) Upon approval of a contingency plan, the department shall issue to the plan holder a certificate stating that the contingency plan has been approved by the department. The certificate must include the name of the facility, pipeline, tank vessel, or oil barge for which it is issued, the effective date of the contingency plan, and the date by which the contingency plan must be submitted for renewal. A

- 1 contingency plan must be submitted for renewal every <u>five</u> [THREE] years.
- * Sec. 3. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:
 - TRANSITION. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of AS 46.04, including the review procedures in AS 46.04.030, and the regulations adopted under AS 46.04, the expiration date of an oil discharge prevention and contingency plan approved by the Department of Environmental Conservation before the effective date of this Act shall be extended for two years, or for a shorter period if a shorter period is requested by the holder of the approved plan, if
- 10 (1) the plan is still in effect on the day before the effective date of this Act; 11 and
 - (2) the Department of Environmental Conservation has not given a notice of violation of AS 46.04.030 to the holder of the plan that has not been corrected to the satisfaction of the Department of Environmental Conservation.
- * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

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