

ALASKA LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE FILES 1991-1992 8672
7602 SENATE RESOURCES

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: SCOTT ARMBRUSTER
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 1444 GUS'S GRIND
 CITY: FAIRBANKS ZIP: 99709
 PHONE: 455-6029
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: PLEASE SUPPORT HB 268. WE DO NOT WANT GOVERNMENT INTRUSION INTO THE
 PERSONAL DECISIONS MADE BY ALASKAN FAMILIES. EOH/MJO

POHID: 07101624
 DATE: 91/04/30
 TIME: 10:16:24
 LOCATION: FAIRBANKS LIO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ELAINE MAYFIELD
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2808 PETERS LANE
 CITY: JUNEAU, AK ZIP: 99801
 PHONE: 463-5247
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: JOHN SANDOR'S CONFIRMATION
 MESSAGE: I HEARTILY ENDORSE HIM FOR POSITION OF COMMISSIONER OF DEC.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: JERRY BOWERS

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 2175 UNIVERSITY AVE SOUTH

CITY: FAIRBANKS

PHONE: 479-6264

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF HEINZE AND SANDOR

MESSAGE: WE AT BOWER OFFICE OFFICE PRODUCTS FEEL THAT ECONOMIC GROWTH IS HEALTHY FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA. ALSO IMPROVING OUR FRAGILE PRIVATE ENTERPRISE INFRASTRUCTURE CAN COEXIST W/QUALITY ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS. WE THEREFORE SUPPORT THE CONFIRMATION OF COMMISSIONER OF DEC'S JOHN SANDOR & COMMISSIONER OF DNR'S HAROLD HEINZE. THANK YOU. EOM/CLS

FOMID: 07075024

DATE: 91/04/26

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: FRANKLIN R. DOYLE

TITLE:

ADDRESS: P.O.BOX 521435

CITY: BIG LAKE

PHONE: 892-8663

BILL NO: SB 95

SUBJECT: PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS

MESSAGE: SUPPORT SB 95 AND HB 223. /CMR

ZIP: 99652

FOMID: 03084257

DATE: 91/04/26

TIME: 08:42:57

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: SHERRI SCHAUNECKER
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 1710 EDGECLUMBE DR.
 CITY: SITKA ZIP: 99835
 PHONE: 747-8704
 BILL NO: HB 268

SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: I CANNOT SUPPORT THIS BILL THAT PROVIDES FOR THE LEGAL KILLING OF INNOCENT LIFE. IT IS BEYOND BY COMPREHENSION HOW A NATION FOUNDED UNDER GOD WITH FREEDOM AND JUSTICE FOR ALL CAN EVEN CONSIDER SUCH A MURDEROUS PROPOSAL IN OUR COUNTRY. THIS IS THE MOST HEINOUS FORM OF CHILD ABUSE.

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 DATE: 91/04/25
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 LIONAME: SITKA LIO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: SCOTT SPICKLER
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 10754 HORIZON DR.
 CITY: JUNEAU ZIP: 99801
 PHONE: 739-3780

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: I WOULD LIKE TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT ON THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR AS COMMISSIONER OF DEC. JOHN IS A VERY REPUTABLE, HONEST AND EXTREMELY CAPABLE INDIVIDUAL AND WILL DO THE BEST JOB FOR ALL ALASKANS WHILE IN THIS POSITION.

POMID: 00101454
 DATE: 91/04/25
 TIME: 10:14:54
 LIONAME: JUNEAU LIO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: RYAN L. MILLER

TITLE:

ADDRESS: BOX 992

CITY: SITKA

PHONE: N/R-

BILL NO: HB 268

SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT

ZIP: 99835

MESSAGE: I AM AGAINST THIS BILL AS IT MAKES ABORTION TOO EASY. IT ALLOWS MINORS ABORTIONS WITHOUT PARENTAL CONSENT. IT FORCES MY TAX DOLLARS TO PAY FOR ABORTIONS. MOTHERS AND FATHERS MAKE CHOICES AT THE TIME OF CONCEPTION. ABORTION IS NOT A VIABLE FORM OF CONTRACEPTION. DON'T MAKE THIS BILL A LAW!!

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: BETTYE L. SMITH

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 3333 DENALI, STE 130

CITY: ANCHORAGE

PHONE: 258-2586

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: COMMISSIONERS-HAROLD HEINZE & JOHN SANDOR

ZIP: 99503

MESSAGE: PLEASE ENERGIZE OUR STATE GOVERNMENT. CONFIRM COMMISSIONERS JOHN SANDOR AND HAROLD HEINE. ALASKANS MUST HAVE A VIABLE EMPLOYMENT MARKET AS WELL AS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION. THESE MEN HAVE THE CAPACITY TO DO JUST THAT. TIME TO GET THE ECONOMY AWAY FROM EXTREMIST AND DIVERSIFY THE ECONOMY. /JSM

POMID: 03101028

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TIME: 10:10:28

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: LES SPICKLER
 TITLE: OWNER, SPICKLER & ASS.
 ADDRESS: 8800 GLACIER HWY, SUITE 227
 CITY: JUNEAU
 PHONE: 789-3780
 ZIP: 99801

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR AS COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION.

APR 25 1991

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: FLOYD DAMRON
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2430 FOXHALL DRIVE
 CITY: ANCHORAGE
 PHONE: 333-1373
 ZIP: 99504

BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: I URGE YOU TO VOTE AGAINST HB 268 AND SB 249. /CMR

POMID: 00094613
 DATE: 91/04/25
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ANNIE FULT, DIRECTOR
 TITLE: MAANGUAQ CENTER
 ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 296
 CITY: DILLINGHAM, AK
 PHONE: 842-2228

ZIP: 99576

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: MARITAL AND FAMILY THERAPY
 MESSAGE: I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT HB 18 OR SB 40 LICENSING MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS. I BELIEVE THIS WILL SERVE THE BEST INTEREST OF THE RESIDENTS OF ALASKA.

POMID: 06091957
 DATE: 91/04/25
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: RANDY MARCH
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 4112 MENDENHALL BLVD
 CITY: JUNEAU, AK
 PHONE: 789-3420

ZIP: 99801

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: JOHN SANDOR'S CONFIRMATION
 MESSAGE: I SUPPORT THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR AS THE DEC COMMISSIONER. I URGE EACH LEGISLATOR TO SUPPORT HIS CONFIRMATION.

POMID: 00093037
 DATE: 91/04/25
 TIME: 09:30:37
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: JULIE ISAAC
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 240223
 CITY: DOUGLAS, AK
 PHONE: 364-2431
 ZIP: 99624

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: STRONGLY URGE THAT YOU VOTE YES FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR AS COMMISSICKER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION BECAUSE OF HIS EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND, PERSONAL INTERGITY, SENSITIVITY AND EXPERTISE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN SANDOR IS THE OUTSTANDING THING THAT GIVES THIS ADMINISTRATION CREDIBILITY.

POMID: 00141329
 DATE: 91/05/02
 TIME: 14:13:29
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: KAREN LACKEY
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: HC31, BOX 52731
 CITY: WASILLA
 PHONE: 376-1003
 ZIP: 99687

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: FRANK TURPIN/COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION
 MESSAGE: PLEASE REJECT FRANK TURPIN AS COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION. MR. TURPIN HAS MADE NO EFFORT TO REMOVE THE POLICIAL APPOINTEES OF PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION TO DOTPF. THE STATE CANNOT AFFORD THEIR CONTINUED MISHMANAGEMENT OF OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. /BN

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 DATE: 91/05/02
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

Letter 3

NAME: LEE COFFMAN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 108 TROY AVE.
 CITY: JUNEAU, AK ZIP: 99801
 PHONE: 586-6113

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: I'VE KNOWN JOHN SANDOR FOR WELL OVER 10-YEARS AND I FIND HIM TO BE A VERY PUBLIC SPIRITED, KNOWLEDGABLE, FAIR AND HONEST PERSON TO WORK WITH. THE STATE OF AK IS VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE HIM AS HEAD OF DEC AND I WOULD URGE HIS CONFIRMATION.

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 DATE: 91/05/02
 TIME: 10:27:39
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: CLARENCE & JACULIN TORKELSON
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: P.O.BOX 670551
 CITY: CHUGIAK ZIP: 99567
 PHONE: 688-2127

BILL NO: HB 258
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: WE WOULD URGE YOU TO VOTE NO ON HB 268 AND SB 249. WE THINK IT IS A VERY POOR BILL BEFORE YOU. IT TAKES AWAY OUR RIGHTS AS PARENTS AND THREATENING TO FUTURE ALASKANS. /CMR

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

APR 2 1976

NAME: MARGARET AUTH
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2621 MELVIN AVENUE
 CITY: ANCHORAGE
 PHONE: 248-0258

ZIP: 99517

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT:

MESSAGE: I STRONGLY OPPOSE CONFIRMATION OF HAROLD HEINZE AND JOHN SANDOR. I DO NOT BELIEVE THEY CAN OPERATE THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENT IN A FAIR AND UNBIASED MANNER. IF EVER THE OLD SAYING OF PUTTING THE FOX IN CHARGE OF THE CHICKEN COUP APPLIES, THIS IS IT./CMR

POMID: 03152049
 DATE: 91/04/26
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 LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

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DAVIDSON	

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

APR 2 1976

NAME: ROBERT LINCOLN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 583 NORDALE ROAD
 CITY: NORTH POLE
 PHONE: 488-4114

ZIP: 99705

BILL NO: HB 5

SUBJECT: APPROP: K - 12 SUPPORT AND CONSTR. DEBT
 MESSAGE: PLEASE STAY WITH YOUR PROPOSAL OF \$60,000.00 PER UNIT OF SCHOOL FUNDING AS PRESENTED IN HB 5. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT INCREASING THE UNIT AMOUNT IS WHAT DETERMINES THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION. EOM/MJO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ROBERT ZANELLA
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 3009 ESTER DOME ROAD
 CITY: FAIRBANKS
 PHONE: N/R-

ZIP: 99709

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: HAROLD HEINZE/JOHN SANDOR CONFIRMATION
 MESSAGE: I WANT YOU TO REJECT BOTH HAROLD HEINZE AND JOHN SANDOR NOMINATIONS
 BASED ON THE FACT THAT THEY HAVE NO INTEREST IN THE STATE OF ALASKA. THEY ARE
 NONRESIDENTS. THEY WERE BROUGHT IN FROM THE OUTSIDE. ANY INTEREST THEY HAVE IS
 PURELY ECONOMICALLY FOR THEMSELVES. IF THIS IS HICKEL'S IDEA OF HIRING
 ALASKANS, I DON'T AGREE. EOM/MJO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: GARY POUNDS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 12115 WILDERNESS RD.
 CITY: ANC
 PHONE: 243-6263

ZIP: 99516

BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: I SUPPORT THIS BILL. I AM PRO-CHOICE. I THINK WHETHER OR NOT A WOMAN
 DECIDES TO HAVE AN ABORTION SHOULD BE BETWEEN HER AND GOD. LW

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

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NAME: ROBERTA HIGHLAND
TITLE:
ADDRESS: BOX 15312
CITY: FRITZ CREEK ZIP: 99603
PHONE: 235-8214

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF SANDOR, DEC

MESSAGE: I AM STRONGLY AGAINST SANDOR'S APPOINTMENT. I THINK HE IS A MURDERER OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND NOW HE IS IN CHARGE OF THE VERY THINGS HE MURDERED IN THE PAST. DEMAND INFORMED HONEST PEOPLE FOR THESE HIGH MANAGEMENT POSITIONS. THIS GREAT STATE DESERVES NO LESS!!

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: MARK RIPPY
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2333 SOLAR AVENUE
 CITY: FAIRBANKS ZIP: 99709
 PHONE: 455-6571
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: EXXON SETTLEMENT
 MESSAGE: PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSED EXXON SETTLEMENT. WHILE SETTLEMENT AMOUNT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE IT SHOULD BE A SINGLE PAYMENT RATHER THAN AN ANNUITY. SINCERELY YOURS. EOM/MJO

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 DATE: 91/04/26
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: SONJA TOBIESSEN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 3522
 CITY: HOMER ZIP: 99603
 PHONE: N/R-
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR, DEC
 MESSAGE: I URGE ALL OF YOU TO REJECT THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION. HIS RECORD AS DIRECTOR OF THE ALLIANCE FOR JUNEAU'S FUTURE AND AS TOP FOREST SERVICE OFFICIAL IN ALASKA DO NOT INDICATE HIS CONCERN FOR PROTECTING ALASKA'S NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: LYNN LEVENGOOD
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 931 VIDE WAY
 CITY: FAIRBANKS ZIP: 99709
 PHONE: 479-3161
 BILL NO: HB 306
 SUBJECT: MCNEIL RIVER GAME REFUGE & SANCTUARY
 MESSAGE: THE STATED PURPOSE OF THIS BILL IS TO PROVIDE ENHANCED COMMERCIAL FISHERIES IN COOK INLET BY PROVIDING FOR A FISH LADDER IN THE PAINT RIVER. THIS WOULD BENEFIT ONLY LIMITED ENTRY COMMERCIAL PERMIT HOLDERS, MANY OF WHOM ARE NOT ALASKANS. THIS BILL WOULD DISCRIMINATE AGAINST RESIDENT ALASKAN SUBSISTENCE HUNTERS. A FISH LADDER WOULD PROVIDE MORE SALMON WHICH WILL INCREASE THE WILD BEAR POPULATION. PLEASE VOTE NO ON HB 306.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: BARBARA NEWELL
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2472 SPRUCEWOOD
 CITY: ANC ZIP: 99508
 PHONE: 279-4973
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: BLOCKING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: PLEASE BLOCK THE APPOINTMENT OF SANDOR. OUTRAGEOUS RECORD OF ATTEMPT TO DESTROY THE ENVIRONMENT, DISMANTLE ADEC. DANGEROUSLY FAVORS OIL INDUSTRY TO DETRIMENT OF ALL ALASKANS. /LW

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 DATE: 91/05/15
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: WALTER WOOD
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 705 MULDOON ROAD, #158
CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99504
PHONE: 338-3389
BILL NO: SB 249
SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
MESSAGE: I AM STRONGLY AGAINST THE LIBERALIZATION OF ALASKAS ABORTION LAWS. SB 249 IS A SICK BILL THAT SHOULD NOT BE PASSED. WHAT IS A BABY TO SOME PEOPLE IS A FETUS TO OTHERS, HOW CAN THIS BE? CONSIDER THAT THE WORD FETUS IN GREEK OR LATION REFERS TO A "LITTLE ONE". ASORTION KILLS HUMAN LIFE. VOTE NO ON SB 249. /BN

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: JANET EDDY
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 2898 SAWMILL CREEK RD.
CITY: SITKA ZIP: 99835
PHONE: N/R-
BILL NO:
SUBJECT: SANDOR'S CONFIRMATION
MESSAGE: PLEASE SAY NO TO JOHN SANDOR'S APPOINTMENT. IRREPARABLE DAMAGE CAN BE DONE TO THE ENVIRONMENT IN FOUR YEARS.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: FAIRBANKS REPUBLICAN WOMENS CLUB
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 73191
 CITY: FAIRBANKS ZIP: 99707
 PHONE: N/R-
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION HEARINGS
 MESSAGE: AT THE MAY 4TH MEETING OF THE FAIRBANKS REPUBLICAN WOMENS CLUB A RESOLUTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED URGING THAT YOU EACH VOTE TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF HAROLD HEINZE AS COMMISSIONER OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND JOHN SANDOR AS COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION.
 EOM/MJD

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: SHARON RHOADES
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 1545 S HOIT, SP 19
 CITY: ANC ZIP: 99508
 PHONE: 337-7397
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: SS 249: PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THE LIBERALIZATION OF ALASKA'S ABORTION STATUTES. / LW

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 DATE: 91/05/06
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ROSE RYBACHEK
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 55698
 CITY: NORTH POLE
 PHONE: 488-6453

ZIP: 99705

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION

MESSAGE: I SUPPORT THE CONFIRMATION OF HAROLD HEINZE AND JOHN SANDOR. I URGE
 YOU TO VOTE YES. EOM/MJO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ROSA FRANKS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 1173 COPPET
 CITY: FAIRBANKS
 PHONE: 474-9394

ZIP: 99709

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: EDUCATION FUNDING

MESSAGE: INFLATION PROOF FUNDING FOR EDUCATION AND ELIMINATE THIS ANNUAL HASS
 BY OVERRIDING THE GOVERNOR'S VETO IF NECESSARY. EOM/MJO

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DATE: 91/05/06

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ERIK NIELSEN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 3108 W. 29TH AVENUE
 CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99517
 PHONE: 248-2672
 BILL NO: HB 223
 SUBJECT: PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS
 MESSAGE: PLEASE VOTE FOR THE ALASKA HIRE BILLS HB 223 AND SB 95. I AM OUT OF
 WORK AND TIRED OF OUTSIDERS TAKING OUR JOBS THROUGH OUT ALASKA. /CMR

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: STAN RYBACHEK
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: PO BOX 10904
 CITY: FAIRBANKS ZIP: 99710
 PHONE: 483-6453
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION
 MESSAGE: I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE CONFIRMATION OF COMMISSIONER JOHN SANDOR AND
 COMMISSIONER HAROLD HEINZE. ECM/MJO

POMID: 07161127
 DATE: 91/05/06
 TIME: 16:11:27
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: PATTIE ADLER
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2391 HARPER'S ROAD
 CITY: FAIRBANKS ZIP: 99709
 PHONE: 455-6429
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: SB 249 AS WELL. PLEASE SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF THIS LEGISLATION.
 THANK YOU. EOM/CLS

POMID: 07084559
 DATE: 91/05/10
 TIME: 08:45:59
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: DAN JAFFE
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 642 DEPAUW DR.
 CITY: FAIRBANKS ZIP: 99709
 PHONE: 479-3218
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION HEARING
 MESSAGE: PLEASE DO NOT CONFIRM HAROLD HEINZE OR JOHN SANDOR. THESE MEN ARE
 INAPPROPRIATE FOR PROTECTING ALASKA'S NATURAL RESOURCES. EOM-FZ

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 DATE: 91/05/10
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ERIC MUNK
TITLE:
ADDRESS: BOX 2940
CITY: KODIAK
PHONE: 486-5293
ZIP: 99615

BILL NO:
SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION VOTES FOR SANDOR AND HEINZE
MESSAGE: I URGE YOU TO REJECT THE APPOINTMENTS OF JOHN SANDOR TO DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND HAROLD HEINZE TO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. NEITHER ARE PARTICULARLY QUALIFIED OR RESPONSIBLE TO MANAGE ALASKA'S NATURAL RESOURCES.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: DIANA KODIAK
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 192 MADCAP LAKE
CITY: FAIRBANKS
PHONE: 479-2841
ZIP: 99709

BILL NO: HB 268
SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
MESSAGE: (ALSO SB 249) I URGENTLY REQUEST YOU TO SUPPORT THESE BILLS, FOR REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY AND CONTINUED FUNDING FOR BIRTH CONTROL FOR WOMEN. BIRTH CONTROL IS MORE COST EFFECTIVE THAN WOMEN AND CHILDREN ON WELFARE. THANK YOU. EOM/CLS

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: SHERI EDWARDS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 928#4
 CITY: SOLDOTNA, ALASKA 99669 ZIP: 99611
 PHONE: 262-7199
 BILL NO: SJR 22
 SUBJECT: HALT TESTING OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
 MESSAGE: PLEASE PASS THIS BILL.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: SHERI EDWARDS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 928#4
 CITY: SOLDOTNA, ALASKA ZIP: 99669
 PHONE: 262-7199
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATIONS
 MESSAGE: FOR THE SAKE OF ALASKA, THE STATE, PLEASE OPPOSE CONFIRMATION OF HEINZE AND SANDOR.

POMID: 13154759
 DATE: 91/05/09
 TIME: 15:47:59
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: DR. FRANK FOREMAN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2426 SINGA
 CITY: NORTH POLE
 PHONE: 488-1296
 ZIP: 99705

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JACK PHELPS
 MESSAGE: PLEASE CONFIRM MR. JACK PHELPS TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION. THANK YOU. EOI/CLS

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: CHERYL RICHARDSON
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 1747 LAURENCE COURT
 CITY: ANC
 PHONE: 258-0071
 ZIP: 99501

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR

MESSAGE: I MUST OPPOSE JOHN SANDOR'S CONFIRMATION AS COMMISSIONER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATIONS. THE PERMITTING PROCESS IS A CRITICAL LINK IN PROTECTING AIR QUALITY. JOHN SANDOR'S TALK OF RELAXING ENFORCEMENT OF POLLUTION LAWS FOR SEAFOOD PROCESSORS AND CREATING A VAGUE STANDARD OF "REAL" ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE INDICATES DISREGARD FOR THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH HE IS CHARGED WITH PROTECTING. /LW

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: CRAIG MATKIN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 15244
 CITY: HOMER ZIP: 99603
 PHONE: 235-6590
 BILL NO:

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: JOHN SANDOR WAS COMPLETELY UNRESPONSIVE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS AND STUDIES OF THE FORESTRY SCIENCES LABORATORY. THIS LAB WAS THE RESEARCH ARM OF HIS OWN AGENCY, THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE. HIS APPOINTMENT IS AN INSULT TO PUBLIC SENSIBILITY.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: BEVERLY CARLSON
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2030 FARMER PLACE, #2
 CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99508
 PHONE: 338-6560
 BILL NO: HB 268

SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO BRING IT TO YOUR ATTENTION THAT THESE BILLS DO NOT MEET WITH MY APPROVAL.GOD GIVES LIFE AND IT IS NOT OUR CHOICE TO TERMINATE LIFE. I STRONGLY OPPOSE HB 268 AND SB 249 ./CMR

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: EVA SAULITIS
TITLE:
ADDRESS: INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE, UAF
CITY: FAIRBANKS ZIP: 99775
PHONE: 235-6590

BILL NO:
SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF HEINZE AND SANDOR
MESSAGE: I OPPOSE THE CONFIRMATION OF BOTH JOHN SANDOR AND HAROLD HEINZE AS COMMISSIONERS OF THE DEC AND DNR. BOTH OF THESE MEN HAVE SHOWN FLAGRANT DISREGARD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT IN THEIR PAST DEALINGS. THEIR RECORD INDICATES THEIR IDEAS ARE OUTDATED AND UNDULY ARE INFLUENCED BY DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRY INTERESTS. ALASKANS SAY NO!

Handwritten note: I will be there

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

Handwritten note: MAY 5 1991

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: OLGA VON ZIEGESAR
TITLE:
ADDRESS: PO 15244
CITY: HOMER ZIP: 99603
PHONE: 235-6590

BILL NO:
SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR
MESSAGE: I FEEL THAT SANDOR IS NOT SUITED FOR THE JOB. HE HAS IGNORED SCIENTIFIC DATA IN HIS DECISIONS RELATING TO LOGGING IN THE PAST. IN THIS JOB HE MUST BE ABLE TO LOOK AT THE RESEARCH AND MAKE THE BEST DECISIONS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT. HE IS ONLY INTERESTED IN DEVELOPMENT.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: DON SHIELDS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 7481
 CITY: NIKISKI, ALASKA ZIP: 99635
 PHONE: 776-5142
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION JACK PHELPS
 MESSAGE: I STRONGLY SUPPORT JACK PHELPS NOMINATION TO THE STATE BOARD OF
 EDUCATION. I BELIEVE HE IS AN ASSET TO OUR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM AND IT WOULD BE A
 DETRIMENT FOR HIM NOT TO BE ON THE BOARD. PLEASE CONSIDER IN YOUR NOMINATION.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: STEPHANIE LORIS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 34625
 CITY: JUNEAU ZIP: 99803
 PHONE: H/R-
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: I'D LIKE TO URGE THE LEGISLATORS NOT TO CONFIRM JOHN SANDOR AS THE
 HEAD OF DEC. I'M SURE THAT THERE ARE MORE QUALIFIED APPLICANTS AND THERE ARE
 NOMINEES WHO WOULD HAVE LESS PERSONAL VESTED INTERESTS IN THIS POSITION.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ALLISON K-COGGINS
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 3432 CONIFER
CITY: NORTH POLE ZIP: 99705
PHONE: 488-7741

BILL NO:
SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF JOHN SANDOR
MESSAGE: PLEASE DO NOT CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN OF SANDOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIROMENTAL CONSERVATION. HIS TRACK RECORD IN THIS AREA SHOULD "SPEAK FOR ITSELF" AS TO WHY THIS IS A INAPPROPRIATE NOMINATION. EOM/CLS

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: LINDA J. WAITERS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 8731 MOLANARY DRIVE, APT 14
 CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99502
 PHONE: 561-4085
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: I AM ABSOLUTELY AGAINST HB 268 AND SB 249. ABORTIONS ARE AN
 ABOMINATION TO GOD AND ANY LEADER EMBRACING THIS "BACK ROOM" ABORTION
 MENTALITY LACKS WISDOM AND DOES NOT INSPIRE MY CONFIDENCE IN THEIR ABILITY BY
 EVEN SUGGESTING SUCH LEGISLATION. I URGE YOU TO VOTE AGAINST THESE BILLS. /CHR

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: DAVID JANKA
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 1022
 CITY: VALDEZ ZIP: 99686
 PHONE: 835-4922
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATIONS

MESSAGE: MR. HICKEL WAS VOTED IN BY ONLY 39% OF THE VOTERS. IF THERE EVER WAS
 A TIME FOR OUR GOVERNMENTAL SYSTEM OF CHECKS AND BALANCES TO WORK IT'
 NOW! PLEASE DO NOT CONFIRM JOHN SANDOR OR HAROLD HEINZE AS
 COMMISSIONERS OF DEC AND DMM. PERSONALLY MOTIVATED BIAS APPOINTMENTS
 ARE WRONG.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: LENORE HOHSINGER
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: PO BOX 20490
 CITY: JUNEAU, AK
 PHONE: N/R-
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT:
 MESSAGE: PLEASE VOTE FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR FOR COMMISSIONER OF DEC.

ZIP: 99802

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: CINDY STAGEMAN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 1815 ROZAK RD.
 CITY: NORTH POLE
 PHONE: 488-3950
 BILL NO: HB 7
 SUBJECT: PUBLIC SCHOOL HEALTH AND SAFETY EDUCATION
 MESSAGE: I AM OPPOSED TO HB 7 IN THE SENATE BECAUSE IT INCREASES BUREAUCRACY AND SPENDING AT THE STATE LEVEL. I ALSO OPPOSE STATE MANDATED CURRICULUM IN REGARDS TO THE PERSONAL TOPICS INVOLVED WHICH I BELIEVE IS A PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. THIS BILL WOULD VIOLATE THE HATCH AMENDMENT BY OVER STEPPING PARENTAL AUTHORITY.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: WALLY WORTHINGTON
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2810 SEAFARER LOOP
 CITY: ANC ZIP: 99516
 PHONE: 263-4611

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: ST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN
 MESSAGE: I DO NOT SUPPORT THE CITIZENS OF ALASKA BAILING OUT THE STATE
 EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT PLAN. IF THE PLAN LOST MONEY DUE TO UNWISE FINANCIAL
 PLANNING AND INVESTMENT, SO BE IT. PRIVATE CITIZENS OF ALASKA EACH TAKE THEIR
 OWN RISK WITH THEIR INDIVIDUAL PLANS, WHY DOESN'T THE STATE? /LD

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: FRED HILTNER
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 1994
 CITY: JUNEAU, AK ZIP: 99802
 PHONE: 364-2262

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR & HAROLD HEINZE
 MESSAGE: PLEASE DENY CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR AS DEC COMMISSIONER AND HAROLD
 HEINZE AS DNR COMMISSIONER. BOTH OF THEIR BACKGRUNDS ARE INAPPROPRIATE FOR
 THESE IMPORTANT STATE POSITIONS. THANK YOU.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: DIANE MCBRIDE
 TITLE: KACHEMAK BAY CONSERVATION SOCIETY
 ADDRESS: BOX 846
 CITY: HOMER
 PHONE: 235-6175

ZIP: 99603

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR

MESSAGE: THE KACHEMAK BAY CONSERVATION SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVE WAS PRESENT AT THE TELECONFERENCES, BUT TIME WASN'T SUFFICIENT FOR TESTIMONY. THE 75 MEMBER SOCIETY IS OPPOSED TO SANDOR'S CONFIRMATION DUE TO HIS PRO-INDUSTRY AND PRO-DEVELOPMENT HISTORY. SANDOR'S COMMUNICATIONS ARE FUZZY AND CONFUSED. HE DOESN'T INSTILL CONFIDENCE THAT DEC WILL PROTECT OUR ENVIRONMENT. THANKS.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: JOSEPH KEARNS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 5061 EAST 145TH
 CITY: ANCHORAGE
 PHONE: 345-1432

ZIP: 99516

BILL NO: HB 268

SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT

MESSAGE: PLEASE DON'T VOTE FOR HB 268. IT IS BAD, IMMORAL LEGISLATION. THE STATE HAS NO BUSINESS SUBSIDIZING ABORTION. FURTHERMORE, IT SHOULD GO TO THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW AS A BARE MINIMUM. THANK YOU FOR ACTING ON THIS /JSM

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: LINDA E. ROMAN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 6501 ROCKRIDGE DRIVE
 CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99516
 PHONE: 346-1884
 BILL NO: SB 65
 SUBJECT: MENTAL HEALTH TRUST LAND ADMINISTRATION
 MESSAGE: HB 79, SCR11, HB 268, SB 249: I BEG OF YOU TO GIVE FULL SUPPORT TO SB 65 AND HB 79. SETTLE THIS SESSION. THE STATE KNOWS THEY OWE THIS. ALSO, I SUPPORT HCR 11. WOMEN FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE NEED TO BE REPRESENTED. I SUPPORT HB 268 AND SB 249. WE PAY REGARDLESS. SET AN EXAMPLE. MAKE GOOD CHOICES.
 THANKS. /BH

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ANGELA WICKHAM
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 4311
 CITY: HOMER ZIP: 99603
 PHONE: 235-2656
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: COMMISSIONER JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: I STRONGLY URGE THE LEGISLATURE NOT TO CONFIRM MR. SANDORS AS COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION. HIS EXPERIENCE AND BACKGROUND ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR THIS POSITION. MANY OF HIS POLICIES AND POSITIONS ARE IN DIRECT CONFLICT WITH THIS DEPARTMENT.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: NANCY LORD
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 558
 CITY: HOMER
 PHONE: 235-8252
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: JOHN SANDOR CONFIRMATION
 MESSAGE: AFTER SITTING THROUGH BOTH COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCES ON SANDOR CONFIRMATION, I AM EVEN MORE CONVINCED THAT SANDOR IS THE WRONG PERSON FOR DEC. HE DOES NOT SEEM TO UNDERSTAND THE SCOPE OF HIS JOB. NEITHER DOES HE HAVE THE TEMPERAMENT FOR IT. I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO VOTE AGAINST HIS CONFIRMATION.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: ROGER M MIKKELSEN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: POB 164
 CITY: HOUSTON
 PHONE: 376-6498
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: I'M TOTALLY OPPOSED. I DON'T AGREE. I'LL BE HIGHLY UPSET IF THE LEGISLATURE PASSES THIS.

ZIP: 99694

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

MAY 10 2003

NAME: GAIL PARSONS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 2397
 CITY: HOMER
 PHONE: 235-3978

ZIP: 99603

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: SANDOR CONFIRMATION

MESSAGE: I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE CONFIRMATION OF MR. SANDOR TO DEC COMMISSIONER. NOT ONLY DOES HIS HISTORY WITH FORESTRY, MINING, DESTRUCTION OF HABITAT INDICATE HE IS NOT THE PROPER PERSON BUT EVEN AS ACTING COMMISSIONER DEC HAS DELAYED IMPLEMENTING HB567, NOT COOPERATED DURING ALYESKA/TAPS OVERSIGHT HEARINGS. HE SHOULDN'T BE GIVEN PUBLIC TRUST FOR DEC.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

MAY 10 2003

NAME: DAVID SNEED
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 1305
 CITY: HOMER
 PHONE: N/R-

ZIP: 99603

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: SANDOR CONFIRMATION

MESSAGE: SANDOR HAS CONSISTENTLY IGHORED THE LAW BOTH IN HIS POSITION IN INDUSTRY AND IN GOVERNMENT. HIS GIVING ALYESKA PRIORITY VIEWING OF NEW SPILL REGULATIONS IS AN INSULT TO ALASKANS. HE IS NOT A GOOD STEWARD. DON'T PLACE OUR FUTURE IN HIS HANDS. HE'LL SELL US, AND SELL US CHEAP.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: MARJORIE DALE
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 1406 ZARVIS
 CITY: ANC ZIP: 99508
 PHONE: 277-7113
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: I SUPPORT THIS BILL AND HOPE YOU WILL TOO. /LD

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: EDLA CASHEN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 240062
 CITY: DOUGLAS ZIP: 99824
 PHONE: 364-2432
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: PLEASE SUPPORT THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR FOR COMMISSIONER OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION. HIS WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE MAKES HIM EXCEPTIONALLY WELL QUALIFIED TO FILL THE POSITION. HIS SOUND JUDGMENT WOULD MAKE HIM A VALUABLE MEMBER OF GOVERNOR HICKEL'S CABINET.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: BARBARA & JAMES ANDREWS
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: BOX 43
 CITY: SOLDOTNA ZIP: 99669
 PHONE: 262-4826
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: NATURAL GAS LINE FOR ECHO LAKE
 MESSAGE: WE WANT YOU TO VOTE FOR THE STATE GRANT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXTENSION OF
 THE NATURAL GAS LINE FOR ECHO LAKE AND TOTE ROAD AREAS. WE NEED THIS VERY BADLY.
 WE HAVE LIVED HERE FOR 32 YEARS AND WE ARE ENTITLED TO IT.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: LIA GLADSTONE
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 432 E. 1ST ST.
 CITY: JUNEAU, AK ZIP: 99801
 PHONE: 463-3177
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR
 MESSAGE: I OPPOSE THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR AS COMMISSIONER OF D.E.C.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: MAURLA WHITE
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 5246 EMMANUEL
 CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99508
 PHONE: 333-6460
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: SB 249: I WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO SUPPORT HB 268 AND SB 249. /BN

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: LARRY HOARE
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 53685 COTTONHOOD HILL
 CITY: HOMER ZIP: 99603
 PHONE: 235-6947
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF SANDOR AND HEINZE
 MESSAGE: PLEASE DENY CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR AS DEC COMMISSIONER AND HAROL HEINZE AS DNR COMMISSIONER.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: JULIE HOWE
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 19435 LAURALEE CIRCLE
 CITY: ER ZIP: 99577
 PHONE: 694-6709

BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS
 MESSAGE: I DO NOT BELIEVE THE TWO HICKEL APPOINTMENTS FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF DNR AND THE COMMISSIONER OF DEC SHOULD BE CONFIRMED. DUE TO THEIR CLOSE TIES TO INDUSTRY THEY WOULD PRESENT A BIASED POSITION IN FAVOR OF THE INDUSTRIES AND WOULD BE TO THE DETRIMENT OF THE STATE./ LW

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: KRISTEN BOMENGEN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: PO BOX 2083
 CITY: JUNEAU ZIP: 99802
 PHONE: 586-6065

BILL NO: HB 83
 SUBJECT: APPROP: KACHEMAK BAY ST. PK.TIMBER RIGHTS
 MESSAGE: PLEASE VOTE FOR HB 83, BY REP. NAVARRE, AND SB 148, BY SEN. FISCHER, TO PROTECT KACHEMAK BAY STATE PARK.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: MARY E. WELCH
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: HC33 BOX 3193
 CITY: HASILLA ZIP: 99687
 PHONE: 376-5866
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: I URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR HB 268. TO DO OTHERWISE WOULD DISCRIMINATE
 AGAINST PEOPLE ON THE LOWER END OF THE ECONOMIC SCALE. /JSM

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: KATHLEEN PFUNDT
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 603 ETOLIN ST.
 CITY: SITKA ZIP: 99835
 PHONE: 747-5044
 BILL NO:
 SUBJECT: COMMISSIONER NOMINEES
 MESSAGE: PLEASE DON'T CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF SANDOR AS DEC COMMISSIONER.
 PLEASE DON'T CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF HEINZE AS COMMISSIONER OF DNR. BOTH
 THESE MEN WOULD TOTALLY REDEFINE, ERRONEOUSLY, THE VERY MEANING OF THESE
 DEPARTMENTS' EXISTENCE! PLEASE! WE NEED SOME CHECKS ON HICKEL.

POHID: 12110745
 DATE: 91/04/25
 TIME: 11:07:45
 LIONAME: SITKA LIO

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GRUSSENDORF	ELIASON
DAVIDSON	

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: WILLIAM H. HANSEN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 626 EAST INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT RD
 CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99518
 PHONE: 561-1217
 BILL NO: SB 249
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: HB 286: PLEASE OPPOSE SB 249 AND HB 286. /JSM

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 SUBJECT: COMMISSIONER NOMINEES
 MESSAGE: I AM OUTRAGED BY GOVERNOR HICKEL'S APPOINTMENTS OF SANDOR AS HEAD OF DEC AND HEINZE AS HEAD OF DNR. THIS IS OBVIOUSLY AN ATTEMPT BY HICKEL TO STREAMLINE HIS OWN PRO-DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES. THESE APPOINTMENTS ARE NOT IN THE PUBLIC'S BEST INTEREST AND WILL ONLY CAUSE MUCH TROUBLE IF CONFIRMED.

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 SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR/HAROLD HEINZE
 MESSAGE: I WOULD LIKE TO OPPOSE THE CONFIRMATION OF JOHN SANDOR AND HAROLD HEINZE.
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DEAR: SENATOR JONES

NAME: JIM POSEY
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 4000 FURROW CREEK RD
 CITY: ANCHORAGE
 PHONE: 345-0532
 ZIP: 99516
 BILL NO: HB 268
 SUBJECT: REPRODUCTIVE PRIVACY ACT
 MESSAGE: SB 249: I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO REJECT THESE BILLS. THEY ARE ANTI-AMERICAN, ANTI-GOOD, ANTI-GOD AND ANTI-PEOPLE. /JSM

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Date 4/29/91

The Honorable Dick Eliason
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
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Dear President Eliason:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Senate Resources Committee reviewed the following with regard to confirmation of the Governor's appointment:

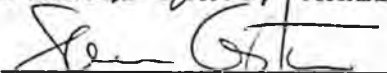
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Smith, Lonnie C. - Anchorage
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There were no stated objections to the confirmation of the named individual by committee members. This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the individual during any further sessions.

Respectfully,

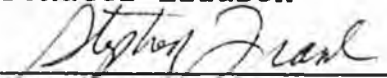


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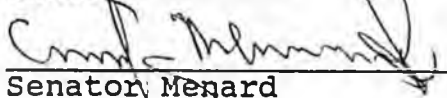
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Resume of Lonnie C. Smith



Education

I graduated from Texas Tech University at Lubbock, Texas; August 1956 with a B.S. degree in Petroleum Engineering.

Experience

Following graduation from college, I was employed by Gulf Oil Corporation, U. S. in Oklahoma and New Mexico for 13 years in various production and engineering positions. I worked as roughneck, roustabout, well tester, engineering trainee, field petroleum engineer production foreman, and senior petroleum engineer doing reservoir and unitization work.

I accepted a petroleum engineering position with the Alaska Division of Oil and Gas (Department of Natural Resources) in September 1969. In January 1977 I gained a temporary promotion to Chief Petroleum Engineer until June 1977 (5 months). From June 1977 until August 1978 I was senior staff petroleum engineer. In August 1978 I was permanently promoted to Chief Petroleum Engineer; and in January 1979 I was appointed to a six year term as one of three Commissioners to the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, retaining the same duties and responsibilities as with the Chief's position which was to supervise the Commission's engineering and field inspection staff. In January 1985, I was reappointed to a second six year term as a Commissioner.

I have now worked for the State for over 21 years and have a total of 34 years petroleum industry experience.



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Subject: Oil and Gas Conservation Commission investigation

Despite being the top oil-producing state in the country, Alaska's regulation of oil-field safety is lagging far behind that of other states and neighboring Canada, according to an investigation released by the Office of the Ombudsman today.

The 35-page investigation of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission found that budget and staff reductions hurt the credibility of the commission's oil and gas well inspection program and compromised the investigative and regulatory function of the commission.

In the report, Ombudsman Duncan Fowler found: "By the regulatory standards established in Canada, California and other states, Alaska falls far short of providing a viable regulatory presence in field safety."

The report also found the commission acted unfairly in its reprimand of the inspection staff supervisor, Michael Minder, who wrote a memo critical of the current level of well inspections.

Minder's memo warned the commission that reducing the number of inspectors from five to three was having a serious effect on some safety programs. Only 27 percent of the blowout prevention equipment tests during 1989 were witnessed by commission inspectors. That compared to an 85 percent rate when there were five inspectors on the job.

"A lack of manpower together with budgetary constraints have reduced our exposure both on the North Slope and particularly in the Cook Inlet fields," Minder said in his memo.

The commission's reaction was to tell Minder not to have the report typed and to retrieve rough drafts given to the inspectors. When he failed to comply, he was reprimanded in writing and relieved of his supervisory duty.

The Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was established in 1978 to regulate the development and production of oil and gas and to ensure compliance with inspection and safety statutes. It is an independent arm of the Alaska Department of Commerce and Economic Development, which provides

administrative and budgetary oversight, but is not involved in commission policy matters. Members of the commission are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the legislature to six-year terms. Terms may be successive and without limit.

The three-member commission and staff of 18 are responsible for regulating 1,551 producing oil wells and 133 producing gas wells in Alaska. The commission also processes about 200 drilling permits and 1,000 well repair and other permits each year. About five new wells are expected to be drilled this year. The commission also has responsibility for the Underground Injection Control program, designed to protect underground sources of drinking water.

Despite this high degree of responsibility, the commission has suffered a 40 percent reduction in its operating budget in the past nine years. According to the commission, this led to the reduction of staff and the decreased visibility of inspectors.

Commission inspectors reported finding such problems as incorrectly installed equipment and even safety equipment incapable of functioning. Rig crews rely on the inspectors to order corrections in case the operator chose to ignore unsafe conditions. Inspectors were even unable to respond to requests by oil companies for scheduling information on when an inspector could be sent to the field to witness critical tests.

In contrast, the two federal agencies that regulate oil and gas wells on federal land in Alaska, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Minerals Management Service, have a goal of witnessing 85 percent of blowout prevention tests on its wells and 100 percent of all well plugging and abandonment operations.

In Canada, 100 percent of the critical, high-flow, high-pressure or unusually deep wells are inspected and all critical tests witnessed, according to William Remmer, manager of field operations for the Energy Resources Conservation Board in Alberta.

The ombudsman report also looked at regulatory enforcement in California where the state has six field offices in the Department of Conservation, Division of Oil and Gas. State inspectors in California witness 100 percent of initial blowout prevention tests and well-abandonment operations.

The ombudsman investigation found that gains in industry compliance and cooperation achieved through a strong field presence are in danger of eroding because of declining surveillance. It concluded that the commission has knowingly allowed the level and kind of inspections to decline over an extended period of time.

Although budget reductions have been severe, the commission has been lax in requesting new positions or equipment. The commission has not strongly documented either its budgetary needs or the expected results of a larger budget, the ombudsman report concluded.

But in its response to the ombudsman's preliminary report, the commission defended its actions saying it was merely responding appropriately to budget cutbacks.

According to a letter from commissioners David Johnston and Lonnie Smith, the commission never intentionally wanted to reduce its inspection program and

that there should be no doubt in the minds of the public about the commission's continuing desire to properly regulate oil and gas activities in Alaska.

"Given the magnitude of our budget cutback, we feel the commission acted quite reasonably in spreading staff reductions throughout the organization, and only targeting vacant positions," Johnston and Smith wrote. "Although all areas were hurt, none were disabled. At all times, the commission's approach has been to preserve as viable a program as possible, even with reduced funding."

After including commission comments and responses in the final report, Ombudsman Fowler recommended that the commission clarify its regulatory role over oil and gas activity in Alaska, strengthen its inspection program and improve its personnel management system.

It was also suggested that reinstating quarterly and annual reports would provide the oil industry, government and the public with some measurement tools to evaluate the performance of the commission.

While some of these recommended changes will require additional funding, the commission agreed, in varying degrees, to implement the recommendations in the ombudsman report.

Michael Minder, meanwhile, will be put in charge of developing a computerized tracking system to use in the petroleum inspection program. He is also slated for extra management training. However, at least for the time being, supervisory responsibility for the inspection program will remain with the three commission members.



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Duncan C. Fowler

November 6, 1990

Lonnie Smith, Commissioner
Dave Johnston, Commissioner
Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
3001 Porcupine Drive
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

RE: Ombudsman Complaint A90-0317
(Final Findings and Recommendations)

Dear Commissioners Smith and Johnston:

This is the final report of my investigation of the complaint received in February 1990 against the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. The report describes the allegations, investigative activities, final findings and recommendations. Because of the interest in this issue, a copy of the report will be sent to the Office of the Governor, members of the Alaska Legislature, interested citizens and members of the press.

For your convenience, the following brief outline states the principle issues investigated as well as my final findings and recommendations.

ALLEGATIONS AND FINDINGS

The complaint consists of two allegations:

(1) The commission has acted unreasonably in progressively reducing the oil and gas well inspection program to a level which compromises the investigative and regulatory function of the commission.

Finding: Partially Justified.

(2) The commission has acted unfairly in its reprimand of the inspection staff supervisor, Michael Minder, for writing an annual report critical of the current level of well inspections.

Finding: Justified.

SUMMARY OF THE INVESTIGATION

Mr. Minder's report, written in memo form, stated the commission had witnessed only 27% of the blowout prevention (BOP) equipment tests during 1989. This was contrasted with an 85% rate when there were five inspectors employed by the commission. The report gave the statistics of other tests witnessed and stated, "A lack of manpower together with budgetary constraints have reduced our exposure both on the North Slope and particularly, in the Cook Inlet fields."

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Mr. Minder was told not to have the report typed and to retrieve rough drafts given to the inspectors. When he failed to comply, he was reprimanded in writing and relieved of all supervisory duty.

THE ALASKA OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION ACT (AS 31.05) describes the commission; its powers and duties, and its ability to set regulations and enforce its orders.

The Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was established in 1978, as an independent, quasi-judicial body within the Executive Branch to ensure that oil and gas drilling, production, reservoir depletion and metering operations are in compliance with applicable statutes. The Department of Commerce provides administrative and budgetary oversight to the commission but is not involved in commission policy matters.

Each of three commissioners is appointed by the governor and confirmed by the legislature to a six-year term. Terms may be successive without limit.

Authority is given to the commission to regulate the development and production of oil and gas in order to prohibit the physical waste of crude oil and natural gas, protect the correlative rights of owners and provide for the maximum recovery of oil and gas.

The commission presently regulates 1,551 producing oil wells and 133 producing gas wells in the state, and processes approximately 200 drilling permits and 1,000 well repair and other permits per year. Approximately five new wells are expected to be drilled this year.

In January 1986, the commission assumed responsibility from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Underground Injection Control (UIC) program. This program is designed to protect underground sources of drinking water. There are presently 569 wells in the program. The EPA requires each well to be inspected prior to injection and again every four years.

The commission's regulations are found at 20 AAC 25 of the Alaska Administrative Code. The regulations describe the types of tests which the operators must do and which tests are subject to witness by the commission. The commission has broad powers to prevent the escape of oil or gas, or the pollution of fresh water supplies, as well as prevent blowouts, cavings, seepages and fires.

The commission's regulations conclude:

The commission will in its discretion, exercise its statutory power to enter and conduct on-site investigations and inspections at reasonable times of facilities, equipment, practices, records, or operations for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

If it is determined that the requirements of this chapter are not being met, the commission will order remedial work or take other action it considers necessary.

C.V. (Chat, Chatterton, commission chairman since 1982, resigned during the course of this investigation due to illness. Mr. Chatterton died on October 14, 1990. A third commissioner has not yet been appointed.

In Mr. Chatterton's opinion, the oil and gas statute "prohibiting physical waste," was written to address economic, rather than environmental, issues. He stated during the investigative interviews:

AS 31.05, provides the commission with neither the specific authority for; nor does it set forth as a duty, the inspection of blowout prevention equipment installed on drilling rigs in Alaska.

Mr. Chatterton described the statute as providing only "tenuous authority," for the inspection program. He states the level of inspections is a discretionary determination made by the commission and the current staff of three inspectors is adequate.

Following budget cuts in 1986, the inspection staff decreased from five to three and has remained at that level.

Mr. Chatterton agreed that the reduced number of inspectors resulted in fewer field tests being witnessed. He did not dispute the figures in Mr. Minder's memo, but states the commission maintains public files and did not want a memo or other document in which the commission "condemns ourselves" available to the press or the public.

Commissioner Lonnie Smith agrees with Mr. Chatterton that Mr. Minder broadened and increased the inspection program beyond the scope of the commission's responsibility and beyond its budget.

Mr. Smith says, "The commission has not been much for putting things in writing." The only written directive is a memo listing eight types of inspections to be done in order. The memo does not define the percentage of tests to be witnessed, the frequency of inspections or the division of the workload. The present investigator level made it impossible to complete all items on the list. The commission responded that it was Mr. Minder's responsibility to determine the methods to increase program effectiveness.

Mr. Smith states the inspection program is welcomed by the oil industry. The high pressure under which Alaskan wells operate and severe climatic conditions make a strong field presence advisable.

Commissioner Dave Johnston, appointed in January 1989, states each commissioner's vote is equal but Mr. Chatterton was "an extremely strong personality," who often resisted abrupt change. Mr. Johnston describes the commission as needing change in many areas including management, staff morale, equipment and office maintenance.

Mr. Johnston states Mr. Chatterton should not be solely blamed for the decline in the inspection program. More important is the 40% reduction in the commission's operating budget over the past nine years.

Mr. Johnston made several suggestions for improving the inspection program: expanding computer capability for gathering data; prioritizing the work load; and hiring enough inspectors to normalize the work hours and field rotation.

Former Commissioner Harry Kugler confirmed that with five inspectors, the commission witnessed approximately 85% of all field tests. He believed Mr. Chatterton must have been misquoted in telling the oil companies to be on their

honor. He stated the commission is a regulatory agency and monitoring the industry is a primary commission function.

Russell Douglass and Blair Wondzell, staff engineers, rely on inspection data to varying degrees. Mr. Douglass stated Mr. Smith was in the best position to decide the number of inspectors needed. Mr. Wondzell described the present number of inspectors as adequate.

Michael Minder states he brought many of the inspector's frustrations to the commissioners' attention, but was not given the authority to effect change. The regulations require the oil companies to notify the commission of critical tests; the companies expect the commission to send an inspector to the field and requested Mr. Minder give them scheduling information. The inspection staff was inadequate to fully comply with even the first item of priority work and Mr. Minder was unable to tell the oil companies when other work could be definitely scheduled.

The inspectors report finding equipment installed incorrectly and safety equipment incapable of functioning. Rig crews rely on the inspectors to order corrections when the operator may have chosen to ignore unsafe conditions. Over the years, the inspectors have learned which companies and operators are safety conscious and which are not. Those who are not require more vigilant observation than is presently possible.

The commission handouts, last revised in 1987, are misleading to the public. They describe various tests and inspections as being both important and regularly performed. Many of these activities have been reduced to a marginal level and some are not being done at all. During this investigation parts of the handout have been updated and the new summary is included with the final report.

Other state departments, including Environmental Conservation, Labor and Natural Resources have various regulatory functions on the oil rigs. All of them rely heavily on the commission. None have the staff, expertise or responsibility for testing or inspecting subsurface equipment. Bill Van Dyke, petroleum manager for the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Oil and Gas summarizes the position of these agencies:

I certainly think some agency should do the inspections of the oil rigs, and the commission is in a logical position to do so. If specific practices and equipment are important enough to be identified in the commission's regulations, then they should be enforced and inspected.

Representative Kay Brown, director of DNR's Division of Oil and Gas from 1982 to 1986, states the commission could make better use of its personnel and has other budget options than cutting the inspection staff.

Two federal agencies also regulate oil and gas wells in Alaska. The U.S. Bureau of Land Management has oversight for approximately 150 wells on federal land. The U.S. Minerals Management Service oversees off-shore wells in federal waters. These agencies witness 100% of the blowout prevention tests in Alaska. Both agencies agree a high visibility in the field is critical to continued safe operation:

With any less than a 50% inspection rate, you don't stay on top of things and the operators get lax. The Bureau's goal nationally is to witness 85% of the BOP tests and

100% of all well plugging and abandonment operations.
Safety valve tests are a third priority.

Canada's oil and gas industry shares many operational and climatic similarities with Alaska. For this reason inquiry into the function and procedure of the Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB), Alberta, is particularly applicable to this investigation.

William G. Remmer, manager of Field Operations reports that 100% of critical, high flow, high pressure or unusually deep wells are inspected and all critical tests witnessed. This criteria also applies to all wells in environmentally sensitive areas. A minimum of two inspections are done on each new well.

The ERCB procedures used in reducing the test failure rate on blowout equipment from a high of 43% to the present 6.4% are fully described by Mr. Remmer and include heavy emphasis on industry awareness of the agencies requirements, involvement of industry representatives in self-regulation and acknowledgement of problem areas.

Enforcement by the agency is strong and a rig may be shut down for noncompliance. Companies and operators continuing to have problems are subjected to increased inspections and even closer scrutiny.

In California, regulatory enforcement has been returned to the state. The Department of Conservation, Division of Oil and Gas maintains six field offices. Inspectors witness 100% of initial BOP tests and well abandonment operations. Quarterly reports by district provide detailed statistical analysis of all tests, inspections and results.

The report also discusses the position the Department of Commerce took in reporting to the news media that it had independently examined the adequacy of the inspection program

ANALYSIS

If the commission continues in its present form, modern effective management and a team building approach is needed. Rotation of the chairmanship should also be considered.

Any question regarding the "tenuous authority" of the commission to regulate in areas of human safety or environmental integrity must be removed by the governor and the legislature. The commission's position that it has unlimited discretionary latitude in reducing the inspection program is untenable. Public awareness and concern must be reflected in its regulatory agencies. Increased vigilance over industry is needed even as increased self regulation is sought.

Through measurable criteria, including numerical and statistical goals, the commission must become more accountable than it is at present. Reinstating quarterly and annual reports would provide industry, government and the public with measurement tools necessary to evaluate the performance of the commission.

By the regulatory standards established in Canada, California and other states, Alaska falls far short of providing a viable regulatory presence in field safety. It is evident that three inspectors is inadequate. The number of documented hours worked is excessive. The inspectors are unable to cover emergencies and receive inadequate direction in setting priorities. Field reports by the inspectors are, by

necessity, cursory and lacking in critical analysis. There is too little time for training even though the field is rapidly changing.

Those gains in industry compliance and cooperation achieved through a strong field presence are in danger of eroding with declining surveillance. Although budget reductions have been severe, the commission has been lax in requesting new positions or equipment. The commission has not strongly documented either its budgetary needs or the expected results of a larger budget.

Investigation supports the conclusion that the commission has knowingly allowed both the level and kind of inspections to decline over an extended period of time. Mr. Minder's annual report objected to the decline. This memo and others he wrote continually brought the results of this decline to the commission's attention.

Although Mr. Minder should not have distributed a draft of the report to the inspection staff, there is no further evidence of wrongdoing on Mr. Minder's part. Mr. Minder's job description required him to bring this information to the commissioners' attention and he acted within his job description in demanding to have the memo typed and submitted to his supervisor and the other commissioners.

During this investigation the suggestion was raised that the commission's regulatory functions be transferred to another agency. That decision would necessarily consider many functions of the commission not addressed by this investigation. The recommendations will assist the commission in its present form and should assist policy makers considering other options.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND FINDINGS

During the investigation, Mr. Johnston and Mr. Smith began identifying commission programs to be strengthened and began drafting written priorities and expectations for the inspection program. The commissioners were candid and cooperative during this investigation and agreed with many of the recommendations.

The recommendations and the agency response to each follows:

- (1) I recommend that the Alaska Gas and Oil Conservation Commission develop a comprehensive mission statement which defines the role and statutory responsibility of the agency.

Agency Response:

We believe such a mission statement is clearly articulated in the commission's budget submittal for FY'92, as well as set out in the governing statutes and regulations of the commission. That statement follows:

"The Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission is an independent quasi-judicial agency set up by the Legislature to enforce the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Act (AS 31.05). The commission oversees oil and gas drilling, development and production, reservoir depletion and metering operations on all lands subject to the state's police powers. The commission acts to prohibit the physical waste of crude oil and natural gas, to protect the correlative rights of mineral interest owners, and to obtain the maximum ultimate

recovery of oil and gas that is prudently possible. The commission levies fines for violations of the statutes, regulations or orders of the commission, and will seek injunctive relief to stop continuing violations.

The commission also is responsible for administering the Underground Injection Control(UIC) program for oil and gas wells in Alaska. The UIC program is authorized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended. In addition, the commission acts as Alaska's jurisdictional agency to determine well categories for meeting the maximum lawful price for gas under the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, and to approve applications as meeting the requirements of the U.S. Treasury for a qualified tertiary recovery project. It also serves an adjudicatory forum for resolving disputes between the oil and gas industry."

- (2) I recommend that the Alaska Gas and Oil Conservation Commission establish measurable goals and objectives to assist the administration and the staff in fulfilling the mission statement and the agency's responsibilities.

Agency Response:

Again, we will turn to our FY'92 budget submittal to provide a basis for meeting this recommendations. The commission included nine objectives and performance measures in its budget. We will examine these standards in light of your report and make appropriate revisions, if necessary. At a minimum, extra detail will be provided to aid the staff in determining how these objectives and performance measures are to be achieved.

- (3) I recommend that the Alaska Gas and Oil Conservation Commission develop accurate internal standards to aid in measuring the performance of individual staff and the agency as a whole.

Agency Response:

Performance standards already exist for all staff. However, we will immediately commence a review of the current standards for each employee, and make changes where needed. This review will be done in consultation with the employee. Each employee will be asked to review his or her standards, and will be encouraged to provide suggestions and comments or to seek clarification as appropriate. Our goal will be to provide each employee with realistic, understandable and achievable standards within six months. These standards will then be used to gauge employee performance for annual evaluation or disciplinary purposes.

- (4) I recommend that the Alaska Gas and Oil Conservation Commission promote personnel policies which encourage all staff to provide constructive criticism and suggestions to improve agency functioning.

Agency Response:

Informally, this is already being done, and positive results are being obtained. For example, as we move closer to computer automation, all staff are being encouraged to consider ways to improve their office functions through computerization; training will be provided where appropriate. Also, the petroleum inspection staff have already made recommendations for ways to improve the program, and they will be further consulted as we progress.

This openness policy will extend to staff meetings, which will be held more frequently to explain commission activities and policy decisions. Staff will also be encouraged to put suggestions in writing and to provide background information along with their analysis of the problem. The commissioners will reply in kind as appropriate. This policy will be formalized at the conclusion of this investigation.

- (5) I recommend that the Alaska Gas and Oil Conservation Commission provide a formalized grievance process in which staff may receive an impartial review of any negative personnel action by an objective third party within the agency.

Agency Response:

This vehicle is already in place for our general government bargaining unit employees. Our exempt staff, on the other hand, are covered by the state's personnel rules.

To the extent that it is possible, however, we will use our existing structure to achieve an objective third party. We will issue an internal written policy that states if an employee has a grievance he or she will be asked to deal directly with the immediate supervisor. If the problem is not resolved at that level, then the employee will be encouraged to bring the problem to the attention of the commissioners. If the immediate supervisor is one of the commissioners, then the other two commissioners will be asked to address the problem.

- (6) I recommend that the Alaska Gas and Oil Conservation Commission revise the FY'92 budget request using "Zero Based" budget techniques to determine the agency's actual needs as defined by the mission statement, state law and current regulations. Use that information to finalize the budget submitted for the governor's consideration and discussions with the legislature.

Agency Response:

The commission submitted its FY'92 budget to the Department of Commerce per the department's instructions and policies prior to receiving this report. In that budget, the commission requested two increments. The first increment is for \$242,600. It will allow the commission [to] hire an additional two inspectors, provide another vehicle for their use on the North Slope, and pay for travel, per diem and training costs. The second increment is for \$30,000. It will fund necessary building maintenance, such as provide new paint and carpeting and sewer and heating repair. Money will also be directed toward securing a ground maintenance contract.

Over the course of the coming year, as we examine each program implemented by the commission, we will also examine funding requirements. Revisions to the budget will be requested when and where appropriate.

- (7) I recommend that the Alaska Gas and Oil Conservation Commission re-examine the agency's actions toward Mr. Minder in light of the findings and recommendations of this investigation.

Agency Response:

The commission relies heavily on its supervisory staff to structure as good a program as possible given its limited funding. It is now clear that Mr. Minder should have received additional supervisory training before being given program responsibility. Unfortunately this was not done, and the commission must assume responsibility for this failure. But, returning Mr. Minder to supervisory capacity at this time is not an appropriate remedy to this problem.

Instead the commission will give Mr. Minder expanded responsibility to develop a computer tracking program to use in the petroleum inspection program. In addition, he will be targeted for supervisory training, as well as program development and communication instruction.

Moreover, the entire staff will be set up on a training schedule, which will allow all employees to have some training in those areas where a need exists. The commission will also contact the Energy Resources Conservation Board in Alberta to obtain additional information about their inspection program. We also plan to become more involved with the Interstate Oil Compact Commission (IOCC), and have already attended a recent meeting of the IOCC executive committee.

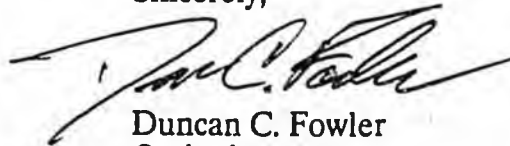
The findings and recommendations cited above will now remain the findings and recommendations of record in this case.

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You have agreed to implement the recommendations to varying degrees. Additional changes and measurable standards applicable to the inspection program have yet to be fully identified. Further, such changes await additional funding to enable full implementation. Based on the commission's commitment to strengthen the inspection program and improve its personnel management system, I find the disposition of this case to be partially rectified at this time.

I appreciate the candid and cooperative attitude maintained by the commission throughout this investigation. The additional information provided in your written response to the preliminary report was most helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact Assistant Ombudsman Diane Shriner or me if you have questions or comments regarding the final report.

Sincerely,



Duncan C. Fowler
Ombudsman

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Enclosure



**STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN**

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

**Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
Ombudsman Complaint A90-0317**

November 6, 1990

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SUMMARY OF THE COMPLAINT

On February 20, 1990, a complaint was filed with the Anchorage Office of the Ombudsman against the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. The complaint consisted of two allegations:

(1) The commission has acted unreasonably in progressively reducing the oil and gas well inspection program to a level which compromises the investigative and regulatory function of the commission; and

(2) The commission has acted unfairly in its reprimand of the inspection staff supervisor, Michael Minder, for writing an annual report critical of the current level of well inspections.

Mr. Minder originally submitted the report in longhand to his supervisor, Commissioner Lonnie Smith:

Subject: 1989 Annual Report BOP (blowout preventer) and Diverter Inspections.

The Commission witnessed 69 (31%) of the 222 operations (10 diverter and 212 BOP tests) reported during 1989. There were one or more failures on 72 (32%) tests conducted. All failures were replaced or repaired and subsequently passed testing.

A lack of manpower together with budgetary constraints have reduced our exposure both on the North Slope and, particularly, in the Cook Inlet fields. Drilling and workover activities are increasing in these fields with many of the platforms activating equipment that hasn't been used for years. We have only been able to witness eight (18%) of the 45 operations reported from the inlet. If the volcanic activity does not change the trend, we may expect to see far more demand from the inlet in 1990.

We did better on the slope with about 27% of the BOP tests witnessed; yet this is minimal when compared to 85% coverage achieved when there were five inspectors in the field as opposed to the current three.

Certainly the industry oversees and protects its interests; but as to our effectiveness, the inspectors have

found many unsafe and deficient conditions, procedures, and equipment which were corrected due to their presence and diligence. Even when they are unable to witness the equipment, the prospect that they might come has some protective value.

Many tests, even those on exploratory wells have had to be waived in 1989. It is hoped this will be changed in 1990.

Mr. Minder gave copies of the draft to the inspectors. He was told not to finalize the memo in typed form and to retrieve the draft. When Mr. Minder proceeded to have the memo typed, Mr. Smith wrote the reprimand:

... Mr. Minder was directly insubordinate to his supervisor (Mr. Smith) and subsequently to the chairman, Chat Chatterton concerning an unapproved memorandum which he had drafted longhand containing unsolicited opinions and misleading statements about the effectiveness of the commission's field inspection program. Specifically, he refused to alter the memorandum verbiage as directed, insisted on having the memo typed as presented and then distributed the memorandum without regard to following the established line of authority approvals and procedures.

In the above matter Mike expressed a serious lack of judgement, willingness, and ability to carry out a direct order, and his defiant attitude and actions following counseling by myself and each of the two other commissioners can only be categorized as insubordination.

... The commission provided lengthy explanations concerning the authority, administration and operation of the commission. As a result of this meeting it was evident that he does not respect the commission's authority and intent as to policy directions and regulation enforcement.

... As a disciplinary action, Mike's job assignment is hereby abridged to delete any supervisory authority . . . To return to good standing with the commission, he must strive to demonstrate his allegiance to the authority of the commission and the fulfillment of goals and policies as interpreted by the commission so that he can more properly assist the commission and reestablish his individual progress.

Assistant Ombudsman Diane Shriner investigated this complaint. In addition to the commissioners and staff, personnel from Canada, California, Texas, Wyoming and other Alaska state and federal agencies having an active involvement in oil and gas issues were interviewed. Material obtained from those agencies will be forwarded to the commission for consideration.

The preliminary report and recommendations were forwarded to the commission for consideration. The commission's comments were carefully considered and suggestions were incorporated into the final report. The commission's response to each recommendation is quoted in its entirety.

Mr. Minder provided a confidential release of information to the ombudsman's office for access and use of all personnel material referenced in this report.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY AND AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSION

The Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Act in 1955 created the first Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission during territorial times.

After statehood, the commission's functions and authority were placed under the newly created Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Division of Mines and Minerals. In 1964, the Oil and Gas Conservation Act became Title 31 of the Alaska Statutes.

In 1968, the Division of Oil and Gas was created within DNR from the petroleum branch of the Division of Mines and Minerals. In 1976, the word "conservation" was added to the division's title, and it became the Division of Oil and Gas Conservation. In addition to other duties, this division regulated the development of oil and gas reserves in the state.

By 1978, the Prudhoe Bay oil field was developing and the legislature was aware that if Alaska's proprietary interest in oil and gas exploration and development continued to be combined with its regulation of those activities, the appearance of a conflict would be created.

In 1979, the legislature abolished the Division of Oil and Gas Conservation within DNR. It then established the independent, quasi-judicial Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, within the executive branch, to ensure that oil and gas drilling, production, reservoir depletion and metering operations were in compliance with applicable statutes.

The commission presently regulates 1,551 producing oil wells and 133 producing gas wells in the state, and processes approximately 200 drilling permits and 1,000 well repair and other permits per year. Commissioner Chat Chatterton anticipated approximately five new exploratory wells: three in the inlet and two on the arctic slope, will be drilled in the coming year.

In January 1986, the commission assumed responsibility from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Underground Injection Control (UIC) program. This program is designed to protect underground sources of drinking water from potential contamination by injection wells. The EPA requires each well to be inspected prior to injection and again every four years. Alaska has agreed to follow the minimum requirements. An annual evaluation of Alaska's program is performed by the EPA.

The commission's responsibility presently covers 569 injection wells. The commission receives \$100,000 annually from the federal government to administer the program.

The Alaska Oil And Gas Conservation Act (AS 31.05) describes the commission; its powers and duties, and its ability to set regulations and enforce its orders.

THE COMMISSION

Each of the three commissioners is appointed by the governor and confirmed by the legislature to a six-year term. From the commissioners, a chairman is appointed for four years. Appointments, including that of chairman, may be successive without limit.

By statute, one commissioner must be a licensed petroleum engineer, one a petroleum geologist and the third need not be either. The commission may employ, "Such staff as it considers necessary to carry out its responsibilities," and "Contract for and engage the services of consultants and experts the commission considers necessary."

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Authority is given to the commission to regulate the development and production of oil and gas in order to prohibit the physical waste of crude oil and natural gas, protect the correlative rights of owners and provide for the maximum recovery of oil and gas.

The commission has authority over all persons necessary to carry out the statute, and broad investigative powers. The commission may require gas and oil companies to file a wide range of reports and subsurface information subject to verification by the commission.

The commission may require the drilling, casing and plugging of wells in a manner that will prevent the escape of oil or gas, or the pollution of fresh water supplies, as well as prevent blowouts, cavings, seepages and fires.

The commission may also regulate the injection and chemical treatment of wells, well spacing, disposal of water and oil field wastes, and prevent the contamination or waste of underground water.

The statute provides penalties of up to \$1,000 per day for each willful violation of the statute, regulation or commission order. Falsifying records or documents is a misdemeanor, punishable upon conviction by fine or imprisonment.

COMMISSION REGULATIONS

Alaska Administrative Code, Chapter 25, was written by the commission and revised in 1986. The regulations address the investigative role of the commission and its inspectors. The tone is set by the permissive "may" rather than the mandatory "shall" but was chosen to establish the commission's authority rather than limit its obligation. The regulations describe the types of tests which the operators must do and which tests are subject to witness by the commission.

The companies are required to identify all safety equipment, testing requirements and test frequencies to the commission. The majority of tests are designed to measure pressure, stability and control of the oil and gas being taken. Sufficient notice is required to allow a representative of the commission to witness the tests.

The commission must approve the equipment and operating procedure used to prevent a "blowout": A sudden, violent expulsion of oil, gas, mud and sometimes water from a drilling well, followed by an uncontrolled flow from the well. It occurs when high pressure gas is encountered in the well and precautions have not been taken or are insufficient.

A "Blow Out Preventer" (BOP) is a control designed to prevent a blowout by closing around the drill pipe or completely sealing the hole. BOPs must be function tested and sufficient notice given so that a representative of the commission may witness the tests. A flow diverter system is also required to provide safety for personnel and equipment.

The underground disposal of oil field waste fluids and the storage of liquid hydrocarbons must meet mechanical integrity test (MIT) requirements to assure environmentally safe storage.

When injection is allowed, caution must be exercised to prevent the movement of injected fluid into sources of fresh water. The well must be pressure tested prior to operation and notice given so a commission representative may witness the test.

Offshore wells which are capable of unassisted flow require an automatic surface and subsurface safety valve system to prevent uncontrolled flow. An inspector will witness operation and performance tests of all safety valve equipment to confirm that it is in proper working condition.

Well operators must keep detailed daily records of drilling, completion, suspension and abandonment, and the tests required. These records must be available for inspection at the well.

If the commission allows an oil company to abandon or suspend operation, notice must be given so that a commission representative may witness the work. A bond of between \$100,000 and \$200,000, posted by the oil company, is not released until final clearance of the well site is approved by the commission.

Oil and gas revenues contribute up to 85% of the state's total revenues. The commission representative may monitor, witness and collect metering data designed to accurately measure the quantity and quality of the oil.

When wells are given complete workover or repair operations, the commission must be notified and a complete report submitted within 30 days of completion. Notice must be given so the commission may again witness the initial BOP pressure tests required before start up.

The commission's regulations conclude:

The commission will in its discretion, exercise its statutory power to enter and conduct on-site investigations and inspections at reasonable times of facilities, equipment, practices, records, or operations for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

If it is determined that the requirements of this chapter are not being met, the commission will order remedial work or take other action it considers necessary.

THE COMMISSION'S CURRENT POSITION ON REGULATION

COMMISSIONER CHATTERTON

Chairman Chat Chatterton resigned from the commission during the course of this investigation because of poor health. Mr. Chatterton subsequently died on

October 14, 1990. A third commission member has not yet been appointed. Many of the investigative interviews were conducted prior to Mr. Chatterton's unexpected resignation.

In 1982, Mr. Chatterton replaced Hoyle Hamilton, the commission's first chairman. Mr. Chatterton was a former Alaska legislator, a former employee of Standard Oil of California and a former vice president of Rowan Drilling Company.

When interviewed, Mr. Chatterton stated the oil and gas statute "prohibiting physical waste," was written to address economic, rather than environmental, issues. The commission is to prevent the oil companies from taking only the small percentage of the resource which is economically easiest to extract. Speaking before the House Special Committee on Oil and Gas, January 30, 1985, Mr. Chatterton cautioned:

What makes the industry go is cash flow. Industry sometimes does not care whether they get only 5% of the oil, 10% or all of it. They want to get it fast. This is called high-grading the reserves. We are here to see that as long as they can make a profit, that they take all the oil and gas from the reservoir.

In a letter dated April 30, 1990, to Senator Jay Kerttula, Mr. Chatterton wrote the following over Commerce Commissioner Mercurieff's signature:

The Oil and Gas Conservation Act, AS 31.05, provides the commission with neither the specific authority for nor does it set forth as a duty the inspection of blowout prevention equipment installed on drilling rigs in Alaska.

AS 31.05, does give the commission the responsibility of prohibiting the waste of crude oil and natural gas and does obligate the Commission to 'investigate to determine whether or not waste exists or is imminent.'

Based on this rather tenuous authority, the commission felt comfortable in promulgating regulation 20 AAC 25.035 (7)(c) which obligates the well operator: 'Sufficient notice of certain BOP tests must be given so that a representative may witness the tests. These tests will be specified in the drilling permit or by notice to the operator.'

In the same letter Mr. Chatterton discussed the discretion allowed the commission to determine the number and frequency of inspections:

Inspections are conducted in accordance with API (American Petroleum Institute) Recommended Practice #53. The level of inspections is a discretionary determination by the commission as to the appropriate level of inspection required to provide reasonable assurance that operations are in compliance with the commission's regulations.

The commission is currently reviewing in detail the current inspection program to determine if changes are

in order with respect to revision of inspection priorities. In the commission's judgment, the current staff of three inspectors is appropriate, although (commission) review may disclose otherwise.

One should always keep in mind that worldwide industry experience finds that the vast majority of blowouts are the result of human failure and not equipment failure. With this background, it is reasonable to question the level of equipment inspection that is appropriate.

When interviewed, Mr. Chatterton pointed to Alaska's record. Alaska has only experienced blowouts from shallow gas horizons and not from oil wells.

Following receipt of the preliminary report, the commission requested the ombudsman investigation give greater weight to the effect of budget reductions on the commission. Between 1983 and 1990 the commission budget has been reduced from \$2514.2 to the present \$1757.4.

On April 21, 1987, Mr. Chatterton requested support for the commission's budget from the Department of Commerce. In a memo to Commissioner J. Anthony Smith, Mr. Chatterton had stated:

Further reduction in funding would result in reduced field operation monitoring which could contribute to blowouts . . . Oil and gas blowouts could waste large quantities of oil and gas which could damage the environment and lose royalty and production income to the state.

. . . Without adequate regulation enforcement, operators could drill for and produce oil and gas under minimum standards, which could quickly lead to imprudent practices and greatly increase the risks of blowouts or uncontrolled flows of oil or gas to the surface lands and waters of the state.

Following budget cuts in 1987, the commission did reduce the inspection staff from five to three: The commission encouraged one inspector, Harold Hawkins, and one petroleum engineer to participate in the early retirement plan (RIP). When they declined, the commission terminated their employment.

In seeking reinstatement both men were represented by the Alaska Office of Equal Employment. After almost one year, a settlement was reached in both cases. Mr. Hawkins was reinstated and paid lost wages in partial settlement. Mr. Chatterton noted the monetary settlement for both men was significant and was paid from the personnel services section of the commission's operating budget.

The number of inspectors remained at three and the commission did not request additional positions. As Mr. Hawkins returned, Inspector Ed Sipple was transferred at his request because of poor health. Mr. Sipple's position was not filled and the position was dropped in 1990.

In responding to the preliminary report, the commissioners stated:

Mr. Chatterton was somewhat reluctant to request additional funding for the commission. This is understandable given the position of certain legislators who wanted to abolish the commission because it 'costs too much.' It was Mr. Chatterton's idea to counter such arguments by living within the budget limits imposed by the legislature as much as possible, and not fight too aggressively for additional funding. As it would appear, other legislators may now take the commission to task for not asking for more money to do additional work.

In discussing the present allegations, Mr. Chatterton agreed that the reduced number of inspectors resulted in fewer field tests being witnessed. He did not dispute the figures in Mr. Minder's memo, but states the commission maintains public files and did not want a memo or other document in which the commission "condemns ourselves" available to the press or the public.

Mr. Chatterton blamed Mr. Minder for being too personally invested in the inspector program and increasing the demands and the inspectors' hours. Mr. Chatterton stated he had no idea the inspectors were putting in so many hours on the slope and took immediate steps to reduce the workload.

Following media criticism, Mr. Chatterton wrote a memo on April 6, 1990, to the Department of Commerce. He acknowledged that the grounding of the Exxon Valdez tanker caused increased public concern:

Rightfully so, the public now questions the level of inspection activity performed by governmental agencies as to whether or not in-place inspection programs are appropriate and adequate to provide the confidence that 'all goes well' in Alaska in operations that could be the source of another catastrophic crude oil spill.

A well being drilled for crude oil or a producing well that is being re-entered for workover purposes offers a potential source for an oil spill resulting from a well blowout.

Expressing confidence in the companies' ability to regulate themselves, Mr. Chatterton cites commission regulations requiring the rig crews to conduct periodic tests and keep records of the results. Mr. Chatterton stated:

Are operating procedures being conducted in accordance with regulation? The probability is that the required tests and procedures are being performed, followed and accurately reported.

Mr. Chatterton stated that with the exception of one or two company representatives, drilling operators owe no allegiance to the 'oil company':

A periodic review of the tour sheets will immediately disclose whether a required blowout prevention equipment test has failed to be conducted or reported. Further, the independent drilling contractor and its employees lack a monetary incentive for cutting corners on regulations. The oil company is picking up the tab

for the well . . . These people owe no allegiance to the oil company.

Mr. Chatterton concludes:

. . . we do have a field inspection program to provide a further degree of assurance that drilling operations are being conducted in compliance with regulations.

. . . In the commission's judgement, our inspection program provides a highly visible regulatory presence in the field, and we find the authority of the inspector is respected and accepted.

Mr. Chatterton did not address the continued reduction in that presence, nor set a minimum level of acceptable field work. Mr. Chatterton stated other agencies, such as the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Department of Labor, also have a presence on the slope and questions whether they are carrying their share of the inspection load.

COMMISSIONER SMITH

Lonnie Smith, formerly chief petroleum engineer with the Alaska Division of Oil and Gas, was one of the original commissioners.

Mr. Smith agreed with Mr. Chatterton that Mr. Minder broadened and increased the inspection responsibility in the field beyond the scope of the commission's responsibility and beyond its budget. Mr. Smith states Mr. Minder did discuss upcoming tests with him, and he may have been vague in his response, "cautioning" the inspectors to cut back.

According to Mr. Smith, "The commission has not been much for putting things in writing." Directions are often given in the form of suggestions and informally changed or modified. The only definitive written directive for field inspections was a memo Mike Minder wrote in 1987 and posted on the commission bulletin board:

Commissioner Smith's prioritized list of work to be witnessed by inspectors is as follows:

1. Exploratory wells, BOP installation and operations.
2. Wellbore plugging
3. Oil metering and BS&W + gravity tests
4. Mechanical integrity tests and retests
5. Equal weight on both:
 - a) safety valve testing
 - b) installation and operation BOP equipment on production wells
6. Location abandonments
7. Gas metering
8. Well tests

There are no written directives for the percentage of tests to be witnessed, the frequency of inspections or the division of the workload. Program evaluations by the commissioners do not exist in written form. Even staff evaluations were not done for many years.

The commission replied to the preliminary report:

Mr. Smith did not provide such specific instructions because that level of detail was expected to be developed by Mr. Minder. Mr. Smith recognized that establishing fixed numbers was not realistic given declining funding, and he frequently appraised Mr. Minder of such. He relied on Mr. Minder to establish appropriate targets, and to respond to the changing activities and requirements of the field.

Commissioner Smith states he does support a strong field presence and that such a stance is welcomed by the oil industry:

Management likes us to witness the tests. The oil companies goal is to 'keep the drill turning to the right', so the inspectors help keep things tighter and in better working condition.

Mr. Smith noted that Alaskan wells operate under enormous pressure. Wells on virgin reservoirs are operating at 4,200 to 4,500 lb. pressure, greatly increasing the risk of blowout. Severe structural considerations exist due to extreme climatic conditions. Ice loading on the rigs is common and many of the derricks and structures must be completely enclosed. This increases the confinement of potentially dangerous gasses.

COMMISSIONER JOHNSTON

Dave Johnston was appointed to the commission in January of 1989. A geologist, he was previously employed as a manager with the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Gas and Oil. He served as the head of environmental studies, and also provided staff support to Governor Cowper, then chairman of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission (IOCC).

Mr. Johnston explains it requires two commissioners to start any course of action. Each commissioner's vote is equal but the chairman holds persuasive power. He described Chairman Chatterton as "an extremely strong personality," who often resisted suggestions for abrupt change. In the past, Mr. Johnston found the more pragmatic approach to be that of introducing recommendations or suggesting changes gradually over a substantial time period.

Mr. Johnston suggested change is needed in many areas: The management of the staff, the acquisition of modern equipment, the maintenance of the office building and the morale of the employees all require attention. Sick leave usage and stress ailments are high, and professional staff are utilized to do routine building maintenance; mow the lawn and do snow removal from the grounds.

Existing staff could be more productive if computer programs, equipment and training were provided to update their functions. At Mr. Johnston's suggestion, the commission recently requested and received the first budgetary allotment to begin this process.

Mr. Johnston states it would be unfair to place sole responsibility for the decline in the petroleum inspection staff on Mr. Chatterton:

This ignores the overriding problem caused by a 40% reduction in the commission's operating budget. As

managers of the commission budget, Mr. Chatterton and the other two commissioners were left with little option but to reduce overall staff. As Chairman, he was also required to defend the commission's programs, which he did to the best of his ability and in a style that was uniquely his.

When asked for suggestions to improve the inspection program, Mr. Johnston outlined the following:

- Augment the program with spot witnessing, walk through and visual tests.
- Expand the computer capability for gathering and analyzing additional data. Make greater use of available data and implement the results of these studies to target high priority inspections.
- Coordinate and prioritize the work, giving highest priority to blow out prevention tests on exploratory wells.
- Implement a work schedule with an adequate number of inspectors to normalize the work hours and the rotation.

Mr. Johnston cautions the commission is not "empire building," but if the safety of the workers and the protection of the environment are not comprehensively covered by the agencies involved, then Alaska should have such a program and the commission's role should be defined in its regulations.

Mr. Johnston believes the ability exists in the commission's workable size, independence and quasi-judicial structure to do an excellent job of enforcement if properly funded and managed. The commission has a strong statistical base and is respected by the gas and oil industry for its knowledge and ability to act.

Citing the ombudsman's use of information from other states and Canada, Mr. Johnston recommends the commission use its membership in the IOCC to better advantage. The membership provides an excellent forum for networking information on inspection programs and many other subjects of common concern.

FORMER COMMISSIONER KUGLER

Harry Kugler recalled when the commission employed five inspectors they were very busy all the time. With fewer inspectors there is no back up for emergency calls or to replace an inspector who is ill or weathered in.

With five inspectors, Mr. Kugler estimated 85% of the tests were witnessed. He stated:

I think the Anchorage Daily News must have mistakenly quoted Commissioner Chatterton as telling the oil companies they have to be on their honor. The commission is a regulatory agency and monitoring the industry is a primary function.

When there are too few inspections, there is a relaxation of the safety regulations. The rig operators begin putting off minor repairs and not following up on previous recommendations.

Mr. Kugler described Mr. Minder as a conscientious and capable employee. In Mr. Kugler's opinion, all capable staff should be encouraged to provide information and opinions, both positive and negative, to assist the commission. It is the commissioners' decision whether or not to act on the information, but such input is essential to any decision-making body.

THE POSITION OF THE COMMISSION STAFF

Russell Douglass, petroleum reservoir engineer, is primarily involved with the development and production process. He serves as the clearing house for the permit process, and is involved with administrative applications and conservation orders.

Mr. Douglas uses the reports on well data production and the inspector's logs to see that recovery is kept up and that adequate pressure is used to assure maximum recovery. He states his supervisor, Mr. Smith, is in the best position to comment on the adequacy of the inspection program and he did not wish to comment further.

Blair Wondzell, petroleum engineer, has been involved in developing the metering process critical to the determination of state revenues. Mr. Wondzell uses the field inspections to provide information on metering accuracy but the level of inspection does not significantly affect his work.

Mr. Wondzell states he and Mr. Minder have had disagreements over the level of inspections needed. Mr. Wondzell wrote a memo to Mr. Smith criticizing Mr. Minder's "excessive" inspections in the UIC program. Mr. Minder's subsequent memos and data established the inspections had been done correctly and with Mr. Smith's approval.

Mr. Wondzell believes Mr. Minder should have been satisfied to give the commissioners his verbal opinion and leave the policy decision to them. Mr. Wondzell states he personally believes the number of inspectors is sufficient. He agrees with concentrating inspections on the poorest performing oil rigs and suggests prioritizing exploratory wells and those in new areas.

Michael Minder, petroleum engineer, has been with the commission eight years. Mr. Minder assumed supervision of the inspection program when Harold Hawkins asked for assurance that he be evaluated by someone not involved in his termination. Supervision was transferred by Commissioner Smith who, in January 1989, described Mr. Minder as:

A hard working and sometimes overly conscientious individual who does a bang up job where clear cut decisions can be made. These same attributes also appear to result in a heavy sense of duty which sometimes goes beyond his area of authority.

As the inspectors reported conditions and problems in the field, Mr. Minder conveyed their findings and recommendations to the commissioners. He recognized the frustration with the long hours and declining field presence but did not have the authority to effect major change.

Mr. Minder states he was told by the commissioners that the inspectors were to set their own hours in the field. The inspectors were also given discretion by the commissioners to decide which inspections to conduct while in the field.

The regulations require the oil companies to notify the commission of critical tests; the companies expect the commission to send an inspector to the field and requested Mr. Minder give them scheduling information. The inspection staff was inadequate to fully comply and Mr. Minder was unable to tell the oil companies when work could be definitely scheduled.

When Mr. Minder referenced the problems in an evaluation of Inspector Doug Amos (March 16, 1989, to February 16, 1990), Commissioner Smith signed as concurring with the following report:

Doug continued to maintain an exceptional performance (PE) rating working long hours and doing what he can to alleviate the problems caused by our present austerity program. His value is greatly magnified as the number of inspector positions are reduced. This creates more demand on the team and is worsened by the growth of existing fields and development of new ones. The UIC program and other assignments vie for the attention, time and talents of the inspector. Doug demonstrates a high degree of self-motivation, contributing far more of his time and efforts than has been defined as acceptable.

This continued a pattern described in the previous year's evaluation when the following comments were made:

He (Amos) willingly accepts additional assignments to alleviate the unsurmountable workload created by a shortage of inspectors and their increased responsibilities . . . occasionally placing himself in jeopardy by trying to do too much, driving with little or no sleep, working such long hours that judgement may be impaired.

Goals for the next rating period included:

Pace yourself, realize you can't do it all, and take more concern for your personal safety.

THE INSPECTOR'S EXPERIENCE

Harold Hawkins and Bobby Foster worked for the Division of Oil and Gas Conservation and transferred to the commission at its inception. Doug Amos joined the staff in 1981.

The inspectors have found BOP equipment installed upside down and oxygen hooked up to lines that should have contained nitrogen. Under pressure to produce and constant task repetition, the rig crews may become less vigilant.

The inspectors cite the gas blowout which burned the Steelhead platform two years ago. Mr. Hawkins recently was on an oil rig that flared for five days and was evacuated several times before being brought completely under control.

The May 1990 issue of Oil and Gas Journal reports:

Another aspect of equipment technology which impacts drilling-rig safety is well control. Rig-loss accidents from blowouts actually increased in the decade of the 80's.

History shows that shallow gas presents serious problems for the industry. Over 50% of all incidents involving diversion of shallow gas have resulted in failure of the diverter system.

Recent incidents have highlighted the problems of drilling deep, high-pressure gas wells. It appears that well-control systems could be exposed to a combination of pressures and temperatures for which they have not been designed.

The inspectors state that through long hours and exhausting trips, they attempt to insure the blowout equipment and safety valve equipment remains in good condition:

The rig hand doesn't tell the tool pusher (his superior) what to do. The attitude is, 'keep your mouth shut and do your job.' Our job is to be sure the equipment is kept in good working order and we are relied upon by the crews.

The rig hand can tell an inspector about a deficiency or unsafe equipment but risks his job if he complains to his boss who already knows about the problem. For example, an operator insists the crew use drilling mud which is too light to prevent a blowout but facilitates faster drilling.

Over the years, the inspectors have learned which companies and operators are safety conscious and which are not. Those who are not require more vigilant observation than is presently possible.

Mr. Hawkins states Commissioner Kugler "backed the inspection program 100%," and Mr. Smith was also seen by the staff as a supportive supervisor. In the inspector's opinion, Mr. Minder did not have the authority to make substantial changes without permission from the commissioners.

The inspectors reported that the commission should have known the number of hours they worked. The inspectors file log summaries listing the hours worked and inspections done after each trip. One such log for March 1990, showed 412 operational inspections and 91.0 test hours in a seven day period.

When the media reported the hours worked, Mr. Chatterton ordered a further reduction in the number of operational inspections. The number of visual inspections was increased, including drive by inspections of well abandonment.

As this investigation progressed, the commissioners did solicit recommendations for improvement from Mr. Minder, who stated: "My proposal would be management by objective and staffing to achieve these objectives."

After making recommendations of specific tests and test frequencies, he concludes with general recommendations for staff and equipment:

It would be ideal to have two men on the slope and one available for various assignments elsewhere. As for equipment and funding, possibly EPA could provide a vehicle and some equipment for their UIC program and share in transportation costs. I would start with 6 inspectors and see if all objectives can be accomplished and field surveillance maintained.

Mr. Amos also recommended the commission employ six inspectors. He would place them on the slope in pairs; one inspector on the east to cover Endicott and Prudhoe Bay, and the other on the west in the Kuparuk field.

Inspector Bobby Foster agrees with Mr. Kugler's assessment, "with five inspectors we didn't miss anything," but even that number is adequate only if all are available.

Very recently, Mr. Foster resigned and Mr. Hawkins broke an arm. When the preliminary report was issued, there was only one inspector available to travel and it had been several weeks since an inspector was on the north slope.

When interviewed, Mr. Foster expressed anger at the commission's reluctance to strengthen the inspection program. He asks, "Do we have the authority or not? If so, why aren't we doing our job and if not why have we always done it in the past?" The inspectors point to the commission handout which still describes the inspections as important and the program as strong.

COMMISSION INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC

The commission included a new Summary Of Inspection Program with its reply to the preliminary report. The summary may be further refined according to the commissioners. The summary as presented to date is attached to this report.

The previous summary was included in a commission handout last revised in 1987. That handout described the commission's history, regulatory powers, organization and activities. Portions of that handout are discussed in this final report.

In addition to being historically correct, it also demonstrates an ombudsman investigative finding that the public position of the commission prior to the investigation did not accurately reflect its changing policy or practices. The handout was available to the public at the commission office.

The handout reported the commission performs field inspections to assure compliance with commission regulations. The following types of inspections were described:

1. *BOP Inspections.* The BOP equipment is inspected and pressure tested on all exploratory and development wells. This receives a very high priority on the commission's list of field work.

Mr. Minder reported only 27% of the BOP tests on the slope were witnessed by commission representatives during 1989. During 1988, Mr. Minder developed a computerized tracking system which allowed the number of tests performed, witnessed, passed and failed to be more accurately counted. Data on all testing and

the results was provided by the companies. From 1982 until this spring, letters accompanying all approved permits required notification of testing:

To aid us in scheduling field work, please notify this office 24 hours prior to commencing installation of the blowout prevention equipment so that a representative of the commission may be present to witness testing of the equipment before the subsurface casing shoe is drilled. When a diverter system is required, please also notify this office 24 hours prior to commencing equipment installation so that the commission may witness testing before drilling below the shoe of the conductor pipe.

When the commission reduced the number of inspections done, the entire paragraph on notification was replaced with a single sentence:

The commission will advise you of those BOP tests that it wishes to witness.

2. *Witness meter provings and calibrations. All oil and gas meters within the state from which the state receives royalties are regularly checked for accuracy.*

Ranked seventh on the inspector's priority list, this was to be given "very low priority" according to recent commission instructions.

This activity was not as carefully examined as others. The investigation focus was on regulatory functions affecting human and environmental safety. It is known that the meter proving schedule originally established was not being met with three inspectors and was recently curtailed even further.

In the 1987 memo to the Department of Commerce, Mr. Chatterton cautioned against the effect of budget reductions:

Unregulated development would invite inaccurate metering of produced oil and gas (with attendant revenue loss to the state). . . .

3. *Witness oil quality tests and delivery tickets. At regular intervals a sample of the oil shipped through a sales meter is analyzed and a delivery ticket is printed which shows the gross fluid shipped.*

At a staff meeting in May, Mr. Chatterton told the inspectors not to do meter witnessing for now, and just to collect the pump station tickets as printed.

4. *Abandonment Inspections. Before abandonment of a well is approved, the downhole and surface plugging operations are inspected. The well location is inspected for cleanliness, and the proper well marker must be in place.*

Location abandonment is ranked sixth on the priority list. Inspectors estimate they were previously able to inspect only 25% of the abandonments. In recent permit letters the following paragraph has been eliminated:

In the event of suspension or abandonment, please give this office adequate advance notification so that we may have a witness present.

The inspectors were then instructed only to drive by and see that an abandonment marker has been placed on the site.

5. *Inspection of downhole safety valves. Offshore wells and North Slope wells capable of flowing, have a safety valve installed which automatically closes if there is any pressure loss at the surface. These are checked to see that they are working properly.*

The commission's former policy on safety valve testing was set out in a letter sent to the operators:

A State Inspector will witness all tests and retests when possible. If he is not available, testing may be postponed; or if this is not feasible, testing and verification by the operator may be permitted in special instances upon notification of and approval by the Commission.

In a recent news article, the commission suggested that it might further reduce the number of safety valve inspections performed in order to increase inspection of the blowout preventers. Thereafter, on June 28, 1990, the Kuparuk operations representative acknowledged the change:

Pursuant to your request, ARCO Alaska, Inc. (AAI) as operator . . . will immediately commence testing and self-witnessing of the safety valve systems . . . It is our understanding that AO&GCC inspectors will witness testing of the safety valve system on a random basis prescribed by the Commissioner.

6. *Witness no-flow tests. The downhole safety valve can be left out of a producing well if it is not capable of flowing. A no-flow test is witnessed before approving the removal of this valve.*

THE POSITION OF OTHER STATE AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (DEC)

Bill Lamoreaux, Southcentral regional supervisor said he had always assumed the commission was responsible for inspections of the drilling rigs and all subsurface equipment. His department has limited authority on the oil platforms:

Solid and hazardous waste management, air and water quality, food service issues, are examples of DEC focus.

The division's issues do not extend to inspecting drilling operations, and we do not have the technical people on staff to handle issues such as well head configuration, safety and protection devices, and underground pressure tests.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

The Occupational Safety and Health Section (OSHA) also performs inspections on the oil platforms once or twice a year. Dennis L. Smythe, chief of Safety and Health Compliance, states:

Our staff does a cursory inspection of the blow out and safety valve equipment to see that they have them and that they are operational. We don't physically inspect the equipment and consider that to be the job of the commission.

If the oil or gas erupts without control the workers are at extreme risk. In addition to the risk of explosion or fire, the noise is excruciatingly painful and the falling debris is highly dangerous.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

The Division of Gas and Oil does not have an inspector job class but does have three natural resource officers who spend approximately 25% of their time in the oil field. They inspect surface operations to assure compliance with lease permits but have limited expertise in, and no authority over, well head structure or subsurface equipment.

Bill Van Dyke, petroleum manager for the division, was cautious in criticizing the commission, but states:

I certainly think some agency should do the inspections of the oil rigs, and the commission is in a logical position to do so. If specific practices and equipment are important enough to be identified in the commission's regulations, then they should be enforced and inspected.

The commission sets the level of enforcement with some direction from the governor. If the public wants more enforcement than is presently available they must be willing to allocate greater resources to the commission.

The oil companies and rig operators remain primarily responsible for the safe operation of the oil rigs. The penalties for infractions should be severe enough that the companies best interest is served by safe operation. The less inspections there are; the more insurance the penalties must buy. The possibility of temporarily closing an operation which earns up to one million dollars a day is an example of effective sanction.

Referring to Mr. Minder's statistics, Mr. Van Dyke stated:

Witnessing 30% of any activity may be adequate under routine circumstances. However, if the 32% failure rate quoted in Mr. Minder's memo is indicative of serious or major failures, then that percentage is unacceptable and might indicate the inspection program is too thin. Certainly there should be no fewer than three inspectors and perhaps more are needed.

State Representative Kay Brown, director of DNR's Division of Oil and Gas in DNR from 1982 to 1986, states: