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To the leader of the Department of the Interior,

Kindly do not pollute any more waterways while attempting to extract fossil fuels. We've got enough health issues as it is without adding polluted foods and animal products to our diet. If you really wish to make a significant positive influence in this world, I suggest you start with the cleanup of the North Atlantic garbage patch. It is rife with plastic materials, some of which may perhaps still have the ability to be reconverted into fuel.

As the Environment Massachusetts team has likely already informed you, "The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is one of the greatest truly wild places left on Earth. It's sanctuary to some of the most diverse and magnificent wildlife in Alaska -- polar bears, wolves, musk oxen and vast herds of caribou -- and the oil and gas industry should not be allowed to trample its amazing landscapes and foul its pristine air and water." I, for one, agree. I imagine most people would prefer to be able to breathe without the usage of masks to keep out pollution, and swim in the ocean without risking any infections due to the chemical extraction of oil (or worse, having to live through a repeat of the Deepwater Horizon disaster).

I urge the Department of the Interior to uphold all protections for the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, not only for the sake of the animals and plant life under its protection, but for the sake of our human livelihoods and welfare.

Sincerely,

A Concerned and Patriotic American Citizen

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