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Attn: Coastal Plain Oil and Gas
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**Re: Comments on the Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact
Statement for the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program, Alaska**

Dear Ms. Hayes:

I am writing to express my opposition to any oil and gas activities on the Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Oil and gas activities on the Coastal Plain are an affront to the Gwich'in Nation's human rights and way of life. The Coastal Plain is vitally important to the Gwich'in People because of its importance as the birthing and nursing grounds of the Porcupine Caribou Herd. The Porcupine Caribou Herd has provided vital sustenance for the Gwich'in People for thousands of years. Oil and gas activities are a threat to the Gwich'in physical, spiritual, and cultural survival.

I am particularly concerned about the following areas and impacts that oil and gas activities would have on the Arctic Refuge:

I am concerned about these issues because: The Gwich'in people need the sustainable resource of caribou to survive and be happy. The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge should remain untouched.

If these issues are not addressed I am worried that: The development of oil and gas could disrupt the caribou's lives, keeping them from thriving and providing food for the people. As people we have a responsibility to look after our animals and land.

Sincerely,



Signature

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