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COMMENTS ON THE ARCTIC COASTAL PLAIN OIL AND GAS LEASING EIS

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I am opposed to any oil and gas leases in the Arctic Refuge.

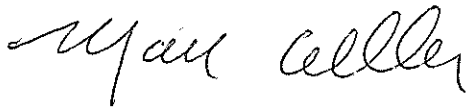
The detrimental environmental impacts will be significant. There is also the risk of as yet unrecognized deprivations. Already the impacts of climate warming are causing ominous disruptions to villages and lifestyles on the Alaskan coast. Some villages must relocate because of increased erosion of coastline landforms. The melting permafrost is causing wide spread land wasting, solifluction, and subsidence and formation of melt ponds. This development activity will exacerbate the climate impacts both globally and locally.

This is a food security issue for the Gwich'in population. Impacts to the Porcupine Caribou herd and consequently to the native population could be devastating. There is no replacing of the habitat-only diminishment.

Implementation of oil and gas extraction will illegally contravene the 1987 agreements with Canada concerning the conservation of the caribou herd and the international polar bear treaties.

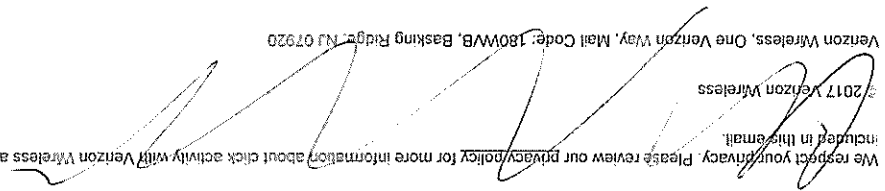
Is the thousand-year heritage of the Gwich'in culture to be compromised for a generation of gas and oil production? This would be an egregious trade!

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