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Attn: Coastal Plain Oil & 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: *it will lead to the decimation of the local caribou species breeding ground, which will lead to the decimation of the local*

If these issues are not addressed I am worried that:

*Impediment upon the lands of Gwich'in peoples.  
As well as, the negative impact of their main  
food source once the Porcupine Caribou Herd come  
out of the sacred breeding grounds*

Sincerely,

*Kelly McCoy*

Signature

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