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**[EXTERNAL] Support Responsible Energy Development**1 message

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Dear Coastal Plain Leasing Program EIS,

As a member of the natural gas and oil industry I am writing in support of the Bureau of Land Management's efforts to open a small portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) to safe and responsible energy development.

I know firsthand that America's natural gas and oil resources within ANWR can be safely and responsibly developed to ensure generations of Americans have access to affordable energy. ANWR also represents more than twice the proven oil reserves in Texas and almost half the total of U.S. proven oil reserves. Production could equal as much as 1.45 million barrels per day for approximately 12 years, with continued production for many years thereafter, lowering the nation's import dependency.

New advances and safety measures further strengthen the energy industry's track record of 40 years of safe energy development in remote regions of the Alaska North Slope, where ANWR is located.

It is a win-win situation when government and industry can find the right balance to develop our own energy. Throughout the history of development in Alaska, our industry has partnered with scientists, biologist, researchers, engineers and geologists to make sure energy development protects the community while minimizing the impact to the environment.

Please allow our country to tap into its available energy resources by supporting the development of ANWR.

Sincerely,  
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