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[EXTERNAL] Arctic drilling

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Dear Bureau of Land Management Staff:

The Arctic Refuge was set aside for protection decades ago because of its critical ecological value. It has always been off limits to oil and gas development and should remain that way permanently. This vast, wild place sustains 42 fish species, 37 land mammals, 8 marine mammals, and more than 200 migratory and resident bird species. It is also home to Alaska's indigenous Gwich'in people whose sustenance and culture would be threatened by drilling. They consider Arctic Refuge drilling a matter of human rights. The Arctic Refuge is a national treasure, and we have a moral obligation to protect it for our children and grandchildren.

Thank you for your attention to this very important issue.

Sincerely,

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