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[EXTERNAL] My comments

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Cc: Rick Fox <rick.fox@chouest.com>

Dear Sirs,

Thank you for taking time to review my comments and for considering my viewpoint.

My personal experience includes overseeing Drilling Operations in the Camden Bay Area of the Beaufort shoreline just west of Barter Island, in 1985 and 1986. We built and maintained excellent working relationships with the communities of Kaktovik and Nuiqsut. We operated successfully and according to the terms of our permits and agreements.

I gained a great appreciation for the people of those communities and their priorities. I also learned that by working together with the Native community we could realize the kind of operation that was good for all. In 1986 we responded to a distress call and used one of our vessels to assist in recovery of a bowhead whale to Barter Island. We truly valued the collaboration and communication before during and after our season. We were certainly better operators because of this partnership with Kaktovik and Nuiqsut.

I also learned to appreciate the struggles of the people who live and work, raise families and subsist in these remote and beautiful places. I saw how working together we could create a positive long term outcome for them, while achieving goals that are good for Alaska and our country.

I support responsible development in the 1002 Coastal Plain.

I believe that we have matured as an industry and are humble enough to listen and work with the many stakeholders to manage risk and deliver safely, without unmitigated adverse impacts.

Please consider my support for responsible development of the 1002 area in ANWR for the sake of those communities, our state and country.

Sincerely,
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