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FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

We have reviewed BPXA's Northstar Development and Production Plan (DPP), the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and the Draft and State-approved versions of the Oil Discharge Prevention and Contingency Plans (Response Plans). Our summary finding is based on the analysis and conclusion of the corresponding Environmental Assessment (EA No. AK 99-01). Based on this assessment, we find that the State-approved Response Plan would mitigate each of the significant oil-spill impacts listed in the Final EIS and would not introduce new significant impacts requiring preparation of an EIS. Therefore, approval of the State-approved Response Plan as part of the DPP would not significantly (40 CFR 1508.27) affect the quality of the human environment.

Regional Supervisor, Leasing and Environment Alaska OCS Region

Date

I Concur:

6-4-99

Regional Supervisor, Field Operations Alaska OCS Region Date