

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION  
BP EXPLORATION (ALASKA) INC.  
GATHERING CENTERS #1, #2, AND #3**

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) proposes to renew Air Quality Control Operating Permit Nos. AQ0182TVP02, AQ0183TVP02, and AQ0184TVP02 for the Gathering Centers #1, #2, and #3 (GC#1, GC#2, and GC #3), respectively, under Alaska Statutes 46.14 and regulation 18 AAC 50.

**Applicant:** BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.

**Location:** Prudhoe Bay, Alaska  
GC#1: Section 13, Township 11N, Range 13E, Umiat Meridian,  
GC#2: Section 16, Township 11N, Range 13E, Umiat Meridian  
GC#3: Sections 19 & 20, Township 11N, Range 13E, Umiat Meridian

**Activity:** Gathering Centers #1, #2, and #3 process crude oil production fluids received from various crude oil accumulations located on the North Slope of Alaska, including, but not limited to, the following well pads of the Western Operating Area: Well Pads D, E, F, G, K, Y, P for GC#1; Well Pads H, J, M, N, Q, R, S, U, W, and Z for GC#2; and Well Pads A, B, C, and X for GC#3.

**Application:** For GC#1, the Permittee submitted an application for renewal on May 19, 2008 and an application amendment on November 14, 2011.

For GC#2, the Permittee submitted an application for renewal on May 22, 2008 and an application amendment on February 15, 2012.

For GC#3, the Permittee submitted an application for renewal on June 26, 2008 and application amendments on July 2, 2008 and December 27, 2011.

**Emissions:** For GC#1, the potential annual emissions of regulated air pollutants at the source will not exceed: 4,869 tons of Nitrogen Oxides, 1,362 tons of Carbon Monoxide, 107 tons of Particulate Matter, 156 tons of Sulfur Dioxide, and 46 tons of Volatile Organic Compounds. The total potential emissions of regulated air pollutants are 6,540 tons per year. The potential annual emissions for Greenhouse Gases (GHG) are estimated at 977,309 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions.

For GC#2, the potential annual emissions of regulated air pollutants at the source will not exceed: 2,011 tons of Nitrogen Oxides, 609 tons of Carbon Monoxide, 56 tons of Particulate Matter, 191 tons of Sulfur Dioxide, and 39 tons of Volatile Organic Compounds. The total potential emissions of regulated air pollutants are 2,906 tons per year. The potential annual emissions for Greenhouse Gases (GHG) are estimated at 733,056 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions.

For GC#3, the potential annual emissions of regulated air pollutants at the source

will not exceed: 2,883 tons of Nitrogen Oxides, 780 tons of Carbon Monoxide, 70 tons of Particulate Matter, 117 tons of Sulfur Dioxide, and 30 tons of Volatile Organic Compounds. The total potential emissions of regulated air pollutants are 3,880 tons per year. The potential annual emissions for Greenhouse Gases (GHG) are estimated at 665,159 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions.

**ADEC Preliminary Review:** Based on review of the application, ADEC drafted a preliminary permit decision for the GC#1, GC#2, and GC#3.

**Available Information:** Copies of ADEC's draft Operating Permit and Statement of Basis are available at ADEC's Anchorage office, 619 East Ship Creek Suite 249, Anchorage, AK 99501, (907) 269-7577.

The administrative record for this permit is available for review at ADEC's Anchorage office during normal business hours, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

The draft Operating Permit and Statement of Basis are also available at the Department's website at: <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/ap/calendar.htm>.

**Opportunity for Public Participation:** Notice is also given that any interested person may present written statements relevant to the draft documents within 30 days for GC#3, within 45 days for GC#2, and within 60 days for GC#1 after the first publication date. Any person may request a public hearing and that hearing will be held if ADEC finds that good cause exists. ADEC will consider all comments received and make any changes ADEC finds beneficial or necessary to assure compliance with 18 AAC 50 or State Law. ADEC will issue a final decision to issue or deny the permit after the close of the public comment period. Written comments will be included in the record if received before 5:00 p.m. on the following dates: GC-1 by Monday June 18, 2012, GC-2 by Monday June 4, 2012, and GC-3 by Monday May 21, 2012. ADEC complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Deborah Pock at (907) 269-0291 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

Please direct written statements or requests relevant to ADEC's draft decision to Mr. James Plosay, Operating Permits Supervisor at ADEC's Juneau address.