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WORKGROUP FOR GLOBAL AIR PERMIT POLICY DEVELOPMENT FOR  
TEMPORARY OIL AND GAS DRILL RIGS

MEETING

October 30, 2015

Anchorage, Alaska

Present:

- Denise Koch, Chair
- Gordon Brower
- Alison Cooke
- Tom Damiana (telephonic)
- Alice Edwards
- Wally Evans
- Corri Feige
- Robin Glover
- Deanna Huff
- Randall Kanady
- Joshua Kindred
- John Kuterbach
- Ann Mason
- Mike Munger (telephonic)
- John Neason
- Julieanna Orczewska
- Mike Peters
- Tiffany Samuelson (telephonic)
- Alan Schuler (telephonic)
- Rebecca Smith (telephonic)
- Brad Thomas
- Barbara Trost
- Tom Turner

1                                   P R O C E E D I N G S

2           (On record at 12:30 p.m.)

3           MS. KOCH: All right. Hello everyone. This is Denise  
4 Koch. It's 12:30, so we're going to start our drill rig  
5 workgroup meeting.

6           Thank you very much for all coming. We have Alice Edwards  
7 who is our former Director of Air Quality had planned on being  
8 here and she's now our Deputy Commissioner. She'd planned on  
9 being here. She might be coming in a few minutes late. But I  
10 started as the Director of Air Quality in April and that's why  
11 this time you see me here chairing the meeting instead of Alice.

12           I wanted to first off welcome the workgroup members here  
13 and members of the public as well. I've come to this workgroup  
14 process kind of midstream, but I'm looking forward to kind of  
15 keeping the momentum and moving the project to the next steps.

16           I do want to mention that we do have a transcriptionist  
17 here. The meeting is being recorded. For people who have come  
18 into the room please note there's a signup at the front and that  
19 way if you put in your email and that information we could keep  
20 you apprised of the workgroup progress.

21           I would also ask for people to please, just in terms of  
22 logistically, put your cell phones on silent or vibrate, that  
23 sort of thing, so we don't get interrupted.

24           And then I also just wanted to start with some  
25 introductions and first of all start with the workgroup members,

1 then we'll go to the technical subcommittee members and the  
2 members of the public and others who are on the phone. So I  
3 already somewhat started. I'm Denise Koch. I'm the Director of  
4 Air Quality. Prior to -- I started in April of this year.  
5 Prior to that I worked in the private sector as an environmental  
6 consultant and before that I worked at DEC in the Division of  
7 Water and was very involved with another workgroup process which  
8 was the NPDS, now APDS, primacy assumption process. So maybe  
9 we'll go around the table.

10 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Sure, sure.

11 MS. FEIGE: I'm Corri Feige, Director of the Division of  
12 Oil and Gas. I too started in late April of this year and so  
13 I'm stepping in here midstream as well, filling the position of  
14 Bill Barron who was the previous DOG director. My background  
15 prior to joining the Division has been about 18 years of oil and  
16 gas exploration and development, a lot of drilling site stuff,  
17 North Slope and Cook Inlet. So, you know, bringing more of an  
18 industry side to things as well. So I'm eager to get caught up  
19 on the work that's been done here and help move forward.

20 MS. KOCH: I guess you're kind of at the table.

21 MS. HUFF: I'm Deanna Huff and I work for DEC. I'm on the  
22 Air Nonpoint and Mobile Source Group and I'm an engineer with  
23 the State and I work as a modeler and I do modeling analysis in  
24 addition. And so I will be presenting not this one today, but  
25 the next presentation. And I'm on the technical committee

1 subgroup, not the main workgroup.

2 MR. KUTERBACH: I'm John Kuterbach. I'm the manager of  
3 the Air Permits program for DEC.

4 MR. KINDRED: I'm Josh Kindred. I'm environmental counsel  
5 for the Alaska Oil and Gas Association.

6 MR. BROWER: Good morning and -- or afternoon. Gordon  
7 Brower with the North Slope Borough. I work as the Deputy  
8 Director for the Planning and Community Services. Been with the  
9 Planning Department for about 24 years with the Borough and most  
10 of my time with the Borough's been oil and gas review. But  
11 under our Deputy Director I oversee community development, land  
12 management and central offices.

13 MR. TURNER: I'm Tom Turner. I'm with DEC and tech  
14 services in the Air Quality Division. My role here is to  
15 provide support for the workgroup. I also have a co-partner in  
16 that with DNR named Jim Shine. He can't make it today, but I  
17 talked to him. And so for logistical things, transcripts, stuff  
18 like that, I may occasionally remind people. Thank you.

19 MR. THOMAS: I'm Brad Thomas. I work for ConocoPhillips  
20 handling all environmental media, most recently as a permitting  
21 supervisor. And I'm here representing the industry through the  
22 Alaska Support Industry Alliance.

23 MS. KOCH: Okay. Thank you. And then the next group I  
24 wanted to introduce was the technical subcommittee. Just for  
25 reminder, Dea has already introduced herself but she's part of

1 that technical subcommittee. Barbara, maybe.....

2 MS. TROST: I'm Barbara Trost. I'm with the Department of  
3 Environmental Conservation. I'm the manager for the Air  
4 Monitoring Program.

5 MS. KOCH: Okay. Thank you. And then on the phone I know  
6 we have at least Alan Schuler.

7 MR. SCHULER: I'm Alan Schuler. I'm in the Air Permits  
8 Program and I do air quality modeling review.

9 MS. KOCH: Great. Is -- do you know if Tom Damiana or  
10 anyone else is on the line?

11 MR. THOMAS: I do not. We can check. I don't know.

12 MR. DAMIANA: Tom Damiana is here with AECOM. I've been  
13 supporting the technical subcommittee with modeling analyses and  
14 interpretation. And I also have here with me Tiffany Samuelson  
15 who is also helping with the modeling in support of the  
16 technical subcommittee.

17 MS. KOCH: Great. Thank you. Anyone else on the line?

18 MR. MUNGER: Yeah, this is Mike Munger. I'm the Executive  
19 Director of the Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council or  
20 CIRCAC is the acronym and I'm representing NGOs on this  
21 workgroup.

22 MS. KOCH: Mike, thank you very much for calling in today.

23 MR. MUNGER: No problem at all.

24 MS. KOCH: All right. Then I just wanted to go around the  
25 room to others in the audience, introduce themselves please.

1 MR. PETERS: I'm Mike Peters, Doyon Drilling's health  
2 safety environmental manager.

3 MR. KANADY: I'm Randy Kanady with ConocoPhillips. Over  
4 the years I've worked both environmental issues and engineering  
5 issues with ConocoPhillips. Currently I'm a drilling engineer  
6 with ConocoPhillips and I've been with this workgroup since its  
7 inception assisting Brad with the drilling and technical  
8 details.

9 MR. NEASON: John Neason, HSC (ph) and rig operations for  
10 Nabors Alaska Drilling.

11 MS. ORCZEWSKA: Julieanna Orczewska. I do drilling  
12 environmental compliance for Hilcorp.

13 MR. EVANS: Wally Evans. I'm the environmental air  
14 quality specialist for Hilcorp.

15 MS. COOKE: Alison Cooke with BP, air compliance advisor.

16 MR. TURNER: Anybody else on the phone?

17 MS. KOCH: Did somebody else -- kind of looks like  
18 everybody's.....

19 MR. THOMAS: (Indiscernible) Barbara?

20 MS. TROST: I already.....

21 MS. KOCH: Barbara introduced herself as our technical  
22 subcommittee member. Okay. Well, thank you very much  
23 everybody. I also just wanted to talk a little bit about some  
24 of the -- just the way we'll proceed with this meeting. We're  
25 going to keep the same sort of format that we've had in the

1 past. So this is mainly going to be a forum for -- we're going  
2 to have a discussion between the workgroup members. We're going  
3 to have some presentations. We'll have the technical  
4 subcommittee representative give a presentation. There'll be  
5 questions and answers for the technical subcommittee. If there  
6 are members of the public who also have questions what we'll do  
7 is -- I'm going to make sure that we have plenty of breaks  
8 during the day and then during one of the breaks you could go to  
9 any of the workgroup members and kind of bring your concerns or  
10 questions to a workgroup member and then after we reconvene  
11 after the break then a workgroup member can bring that up that  
12 way.

13 I also want to just mention the purpose for today's  
14 meeting. It's been a long time since this workgroup has met.  
15 The last workgroup meeting was in May of 2014. But a lot of  
16 work has happened on the technical level. So we've had a lot of  
17 smart people put in a lot of hard work on the technical piece.  
18 That's included DEC staff as well as AECOM staff who have done a  
19 tremendous amount of work and have contributed a tremendous  
20 amount of expertise to this effort and I felt that enough  
21 technical work had been done and enough consensus had been  
22 reached, although maybe not consensus on every single issue, but  
23 we're very close and it seemed that there -- enough technical  
24 work had been done that it was time for the technical group to  
25 report out the work that they've done to the workgroup before

1 they get even further down the path and, you know, we don't want  
2 two years to pass in between meetings and then everyone has to  
3 remember what's happened in the last meeting.

4 Let's see. So for -- I just want to run through the  
5 agenda really quickly and I'm going to ask the workgroup members  
6 if they have any comments or they want any changes. So this is  
7 kind of the introductions and agenda review section. Then I  
8 will hand the meeting over to Tom Turner. He's been helping me  
9 with logistics for this meeting and in addition to logistics he  
10 is going to provide a little bit of the history of -- a short  
11 presentation on the history of this workgroup since it has --  
12 there have been a number of meetings that have transpired over  
13 the years and we do have new members, including myself. Then  
14 we'll -- then the next technical presentation is going to be  
15 given by Dr. Deanna Huff and she's going to frame some of the  
16 technical issues and talk about some of the work that's been  
17 done and some of the technical conclusions. Then we'll probably  
18 take a break because that's -- her presentation is pretty dense.  
19 There's a lot of information there, so we might just need to  
20 kind of take a break at that point and that might also be a good  
21 point for members of the public to talk to a workgroup member.  
22 Then we'll reconvene. Then Brad, I assume that you are going to  
23 give that presentation, the modeling -- he's going to give a  
24 modeling summary and next steps presentation. Then we'll go --  
25 lead into a policy discussion, a discussion about what the next



1 steps are. Then we might -- I'll kind of judge it, but we might  
2 need a short break there and then we'll talk about action items,  
3 the meeting schedule and essentially, you know, what are our  
4 next steps and establishing another workgroup meeting.

5 So I'll stop there and see if any of the workgroup members  
6 have any comments on the agenda or any additions or changes.

7 MR. BROWER: I just -- it would be good to maybe talk a  
8 little bit about what the original intent over the course of  
9 time and, you know -- I know the technical subcommittee's been  
10 busy doing and were tasked to do certain things and then the  
11 overall arch of what the goal is. I think some of the intent  
12 was to provide some -- maybe some legislative direction on the  
13 mobile drill rig air program and it would be good to recap some  
14 history about why the group was formed and what the goal was.

15 MS. KOCH: I agree and that's actually why I asked Tom  
16 Turner, because he's been involved with the group since the  
17 beginning and I haven't, to give some of that history that he's  
18 -- he's going to talk about that in his presentation. Maybe we  
19 could go through Tom's presentation and then if there's more  
20 discussion after Tom's presentation we'll take a break and we  
21 can talk a little bit about -- speak to those issues, you know,  
22 what was the incentive, what's the reason for this workgroup and  
23 what's the goal. So maybe we could start with -- we'll have Tom  
24 go through his presentation. If that doesn't sufficiently  
25 answer it then we'll have some more discussion.

1 All right. Well, I'm going to hand the baton over to Tom  
2 to talk about logistics and the drill rig workgroup purpose and  
3 goals.

4 Oh, and I'll stop for a moment. Our Deputy Commissioner  
5 has just joined us.

6 MS. EDWARDS: Hi.

7 MS. KOCH: Alice Edwards.

8 MS. EDWARDS: Alice Edwards. Just sitting in today trying  
9 to do a little transition since I worked with you all in the  
10 past, so let you guys carry on. Sorry I was late.

11 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: No problem.

12 MS. EDWARDS: Thanks for flagging me down, John.

13 MR. KUTERBACH: No problem.

14 MS. KOCH: Tom.

15 MR. TURNER: Hi. This is Tom Turner with DEC. Welcome  
16 everybody. It's good to see you all again. I'm going to go  
17 through the logistics stuff one more time of little details.  
18 First off, remember we are being on transcript and so I'm asking  
19 everyone to speak up clearly, distinctly. If I get a flag from  
20 the transcriptionist I may step in and ask you to repeat names  
21 and stuff like that. And I have permission to do that and I've  
22 done it in the past, so I get to do that this meeting.

23 First off, for a sound check. I don't know if we got  
24 everybody else on the phone, so for the transcriptionist is  
25 there anybody on the phone that did not identify themselves

1 earlier?

2 MS. SMITH: Rebecca Smith in the Juneau ADEC office.

3 MR. TURNER: Okay. Anybody else? All right. Hearing  
4 none, on the phone please if you need us to speak up or you need  
5 a sound check please feel free to, you know, at a, you know,  
6 pause between sentences let us know. We're also asking if you  
7 can put your phones on mute so we don't hear ruffling of papers  
8 and stuff, things like that, but most folks know that stuff.

9 Our documents are all posted on the web. They're on the  
10 Air Quality web page and then if you go into the permit page  
11 there'll be a hot topics on the bottom with the drill rig  
12 workgroup in.....

13 MS. SMITH: Actually, Tom, that hot topics point is on the  
14 main Air Quality page, not in the permits.

15 MR. TURNER: Great. It's on the main Air Quality page.  
16 That will link you to the workgroup and have all the documents  
17 there. For the workgroup members, since we haven't met for  
18 awhile I provided pink envelopes because that's what we had in  
19 storage and they're -- it's good to use up stuff. And in there  
20 you have your agenda, all the presentations and the workgroup  
21 members for your quick reference if you need that. And for  
22 people in the room, we also have handouts in the back. For  
23 people signing up here, please have all the new people in the --  
24 that are not in the workgroup sign up in the back just so we can  
25 update. And I think I know everybody on the phone, so you don't

1 need to do that. Except for Tiffany. If you can send your  
2 email to Tom Turner, [tom.turner@alaska.gov](mailto:tom.turner@alaska.gov), we'll get you on the  
3 list serve. Let's see.

4 MS. SAMUELSON: I'll do that. Thanks.

5 MR. TURNER: Okay. Handouts. AECOM. Okay. For inside  
6 the building we have one primary exit out that door which is the  
7 way you came in. This is a secure building once you go outside,  
8 so we ask for people to sign in at the front desk if they have  
9 not. If you need to go to the bathroom when you go out the door  
10 turn to your immediate left and there is a little code on the  
11 door and it's 555. That will take you to two bathrooms for each  
12 gender. Also for safety moment, it is Halloween so please watch  
13 for kids so you don't hit them. Don't wear scary costumes that  
14 will freak people out too much. Make sure you check your candy  
15 to make sure that it's been wrapped. So that is the safety  
16 moment. I was kind.....

17 MR. THOMAS: There's kids in the building too, right?

18 MR. TURNER: There will be children in the building.  
19 Thank you. The DEC is having it go from floor to floor, so  
20 please be conscious of that. And I think I have anything else.  
21 We have one new member joining us and I will identify -- you  
22 want to go ahead and identify yourself, Ann?

23 MS. MASON: Ann Mason with SLR.

24 MR. TURNER: Okay. Any questions on logistics? That was  
25 fun.

1           Okay. Now for Gordon and everybody else we're going to  
2 start going to the quick 30,000 foot level of intro -- you know,  
3 about why we're here, what's going on, a little bit of a  
4 history.

5           So slide two please. So the group was -- the formation of  
6 the workgroup was established in 2013. It was trying to bring a  
7 broad scope of people to look at these drill rig issues and how  
8 they operate. So we brought in the Citizens Group of the North  
9 Slope Borough and the other citizens advisory group, Cook Inlet  
10 Citizens Advisory which is CIRCAC). Mike is the representative  
11 for Cook Inlet and Gordon is the representative for North Slope.  
12 These two areas were picked because that's currently where we  
13 have drill rigs operating. The oil and gas industry was  
14 represented by AOGA, Alaska Oil and Gas Association, and the  
15 Alaska Support Industry Alliance. These are the primary groups  
16 that represent the broad spectrum of people involved with the  
17 industry from the big oil companies down to the drill rig and  
18 support service companies. And then we have two primary  
19 resource agencies. The first resource agency of course is the  
20 Alaska Department of Natural Resources and the Alaska Department  
21 of Environmental Conservation.

22           Slide three. And just another note. I am going to kind  
23 of power through these because there's a lot on the agenda. So  
24 this is just a big overview.

25           UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: And then we have the printouts.

1 MR. TURNER: And we have the printouts. So the workgroup  
2 members, I've already mentioned some of them, but it has changed  
3 a little bit. Gordon still was here, Mike's here. Joshua is  
4 with the Oil and Gas. The original member was Nikki Martin.  
5 Brad has been with the Support Industry Alliance. We have a new  
6 member. Corri, welcome to the group, formerly William. And of  
7 course now we have Denise in the new group and thank you, Alice,  
8 for your guidance in the past. So that is the current workgroup  
9 members.

10 Slide four.

11 MS. KOCH: Don't forget Mr. Kuterbach.

12 MR. TURNER: He's kind of hanging around. My apologies to  
13 my direct. So why did we get together? And again, this is the  
14 30,000 foot level. Industry came, you know, to both the  
15 agencies and they -- requesting a review of the regulatory  
16 process of how we are currently regulating drill rigs. Some of  
17 this came from difficulty of demonstrating compliance with the  
18 new one hour standards that went in, particularly on Title V  
19 permit applications, and there was always this request through  
20 industry to provide as much flexibility as possible for drill  
21 rig operations since there's a fair amount of logistics moving  
22 things in and out.

23 Slide five. And then the other side of it is what are we  
24 running into. We're running into the Clean Air Act requirements  
25 because that's why there are permits. And everybody has agreed

1 from day one if you look at other transcriptions, everyone  
2 agrees we're here to protect air quality. So that's in some  
3 ways the purpose of this group on a big picture level. The  
4 State has to follow the State Implementation Plan which we call  
5 the SIP and that contains measures to prevent violations of air  
6 quality standards. And so whatever we do, whatever we come up  
7 with as a group, what you come up with as a group we have to  
8 make sure that we can get through the SIP. There was also what  
9 they call the PSD program and that has other types of  
10 limitations that are required for protecting air quality. And  
11 then the other factor we have to consider is the Title V permit  
12 program and this is authorizing operations at multi temporary  
13 locations and how would these drill rigs come on and off Title V  
14 facilities.

15 Slide six. So the current mechanisms we have where we  
16 have air quality permits is we have general permits for -- which  
17 we call the MG-1 and industry's fairly familiar with that. We  
18 have minor program -- minor permits for portable oil and gas  
19 operations. And these are required for construction or  
20 relocation unless authorized under Title V operating permit. To  
21 obtain a permit, and this we'll get into the technical  
22 discussion later, they must conduct ambient air quality analysis  
23 which is a long word to say modeling. So for us term discipline  
24 people ambient air quality analysis is modeling. They can also  
25 sometimes use general permits for location. We also have

1 requirements within our PSD permits and then we also have  
2 requirements with our Title V for temporary operations. This is  
3 only required with operations that have applicable air quality  
4 requirements on Title V facilities and it requires compliance  
5 with all applicable air quality standards which could cook us  
6 back into the one hour standards earlier. And for reference,  
7 since it's highly technical about air permits I'm going to  
8 reference John Kuterbach if you'd like to add anything.

9 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, it's applicable air quality  
10 standards in increments for the Title V sources. It's -- is the  
11 only adjustment I'd like to note there. And ambient air quality  
12 analysis, while it is typically modeling and that's how we've  
13 done analysis for a SIP program there -- we do have the ability  
14 to look at other ways of doing the air quality analysis. The  
15 requirement really is to ensure that new or modified equipment,  
16 that the State has mechanisms to prevent violations of ambient  
17 air quality standards.

18 MR. TURNER: Thank you, John.

19 MS. KOCH: Tom, could I add or ask one other question of  
20 John? Is it the first three, do those require -- can you go  
21 through what would require a SIP change versus a Title V change?

22 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, all of these elements are part of  
23 our air quality control strategy within our federally approved  
24 State Implementation Plan for attainment areas. So any change  
25 to what our requirements are there would have to be ultimately



1 approved as a change to our State Implementation Plan.

2 MS. KOCH: And approved by EPA.

3 MR. KUTERBACH: Yes.

4 MR. TURNER: Thank you. Slide seven. So according to the  
5 transcripts, just to refresh everyone, this was what was  
6 established as the goal of the workgroup. And I think it bears,  
7 as Gordon's requested, to be repeated again. To develop  
8 informed recommendations to improve the air regulatory process  
9 for temporary drill rigs with particular focus on  
10 predictability, operational flexibility, and compliance with air  
11 quality standards.

12 Slide eight. So, an overview of what the workgroup did.  
13 They started to meet in June 4th of 2013 was the first meeting  
14 and they had a series of the workgroup meetings, there's also  
15 been subcommittee meetings, through May of 2014. This is the  
16 first time we've gotten back together as the workgroup since  
17 2000 -- May of 2014. The first thing is this is a big subject  
18 and we have citizens groups and we have people with different  
19 perspectives and so the workgroup says what have we got out  
20 there. So the first thing they did is they review existing  
21 drill rig permitting process which I had a quick slide on.  
22 There was extensive slides and presentations on what is the  
23 whole permitting process and what's required that are all on the  
24 web page. They also wanted to look at what are these air  
25 quality standards which we've referenced before and will get

1 referenced several times forward because of those are the  
2 standards that the flexibility and what the regulations look  
3 like have to go against or be compared to. They also had  
4 discussions on all kinds of subjects. They were looking at all  
5 different ways of looking at it. So one thing that they wanted  
6 to do is what other states are doing and so there was  
7 presentations and research on what other states are doing of  
8 protection of air quality standards as they relate to their  
9 drill rigs. And there's a whole pattern of how people did that  
10 in different areas. They also looked at review of industry's  
11 air quality monitoring data which was presented at various  
12 times, but I believe in the November meeting. So you could  
13 follow the dates. Basically the July and August meetings were  
14 the review of the drill rig permitting process, quality  
15 standards and in November we're looking at the monitoring data.

16 Slide nine please. So what did the workgroup do? They  
17 looked at the stuff. They did extensive research. There was a  
18 lot of effort from both industry and the agencies that put in  
19 it. The workgroup has been asking some really great questions  
20 when you look through the transcripts of, you know, how this  
21 could work. They looked at different types of alternatives to  
22 regulations. There was a possible registration program. There  
23 were general permits. One of the things that was presented was  
24 an exit out program. There also was a discussion about can they  
25 change the regulations based on monitoring based demonstrations.

1 Then we started to get into the technical aspects of how drill  
2 rig operations work, the types, different types of air  
3 protection models. So there was a lot of discussion over what's  
4 the overall scope of what we're doing with regulations and also  
5 some of the technical aspects.

6 Slide 10 please. So based on these two different types of  
7 concepts on the December meeting there was a discussion about  
8 forming two different subgroups. The first concept was can we  
9 come up with options for the regulations and what would that  
10 look like. The second subgroup was a technical subcommittee.  
11 The reason is, is what we're going to run into, and it's kind of  
12 at the end of the presentation, is what do we need to present to  
13 EPA in order to convince them that we're protecting air quality  
14 from the current standards that have been in place since 2005,  
15 what are we going to do to protect air quality and what does  
16 that look like. It's going to get technical. It's going to be  
17 about modeling, demonstrations, can -- industry wanted to know  
18 if monitoring could work. And so in May of last year which is  
19 the last time the workgroup got together they decided that the  
20 options and review of the regulatory process was going to put on  
21 hold until the technical subcommittee had a chance to work  
22 through these extensive technical issues they're talking about  
23 which now brings us to this ninth meeting of the group. The  
24 subcommittee got together, the technical subcommittee, and they  
25 reviewed industry's monitoring data that was presented. They

1 looked at existing modeling methods and datasets. They  
2 developed and reviewed new modeling approaches. One key element  
3 here is there was an agreement to focus on the North Slope data  
4 because that's where the data was rather than looking at Cook  
5 Inlet. I am not going to get into all that technical stuff. It  
6 is really -- I'm a regulatory person, not a technical person and  
7 there was plenty of highly qualified people in the room and on  
8 the phone that will discuss that later.

9 Slide 11 please. The technical's mission statement which  
10 was, according to the transcripts of April 2014, is the drill  
11 rig technical subgroup shall determine whether the available  
12 monitoring and modeling data is sufficiently accurate,  
13 representative and complete to reasonably conclude that drilling  
14 activity anywhere in the state is unlikely to cause ambient air  
15 concentrations greater than the NAAQS. And if these conclusions  
16 cannot be made recommend what additional data or limitations on  
17 the conclusions are needed to assist in developing and  
18 finalizing programmatic approaches that would provide protection  
19 of ambient air quality standards and reasonably address air  
20 quality planning requirements. I thought it was important to  
21 read both of these outlines and, again, to remind people why  
22 we're here.

23 Slide 12. So Dea will get into this in her slide and Brad  
24 can also kick in, but the technical subcommittee met between  
25 January '14 all the way through October '15. There were highly

1 qualified experts, engineers and doctors. They -- there was  
2 both industry and DEC. They reviewed the monitoring data. They  
3 reviewed modeling approaches. There was an extensive amount of  
4 work and there was quite the process of back and forth, good  
5 discussion between professionals about what would be the  
6 technical aspects to look at.

7 Slide 13. And this is what we're going to run into with  
8 the technical group and with our group is the State must be able  
9 to put -- must get by and show within our State Implementation  
10 Plan what we need to do in order to change it. And the big key  
11 here is getting this through EPA. And so again, the State  
12 Implementation Plan is what in effect is the overall viewpoint  
13 and plan of how we're going to protect air quality which we all  
14 agreed at the first meeting is why we're here.

15 Slide 14. And these are kind of the key elements of that  
16 and this is where I kind of -- because they're going to have to  
17 be in regulations or how are we going to get by EPA and I will  
18 remind folks several times on that. It has to be -- it's a  
19 federally approved requirements. Any changes to the SIP or the  
20 Title V program have to be approved by EPA. We have to follow  
21 the Clean Air Act requirements. We have to demonstrate that the  
22 revised control strategy, whatever that may be, will ensure  
23 compliance with air quality standards. The demonstration has to  
24 be made with using EPA approved air quality models and you will  
25 get some of that reference within the technical group where

1 they're trying maybe new models and we have to go back and  
2 demonstrate to EPA that they're so good. But that's because  
3 they're looking at that particular bullet. It must -- the SIP  
4 must ensure compliance with air quality standards for any  
5 operational scenario, which is a key, and the existing rules  
6 remain federally enforceable until change is approved by EPA.  
7 And just for everybody's reference, that is a time process. You  
8 have to follow the steps by step and it always is a requirement  
9 every time you bring somebody new in you have to demonstrate  
10 your technical expertise, you have to explain what's going on.  
11 And so it is a process.

12 Slide 15. Next steps. Well, that's up to the workgroup,  
13 but the technical presentation will be provided today. We'll  
14 discuss technical committee's findings. We can begin discussing  
15 the various operations or changes to the Alaska Air Quality  
16 Program and then we'll have to look at the next steps of how to  
17 present it to EPA for comment.

18 Slide 16. My name's on here. Please call me, contact me  
19 with any information. I can assist anybody outside if the  
20 workgroup members need stuff. Again, everything's been posted  
21 on the drill rig workgroup website, so all that information's  
22 there. So that is the 30,000 foot level and to reference  
23 Gordon, was that sufficient?

24 MR. BROWER: Yeah, I think that really brings us back to  
25 where we (indiscernible).

1 MR. TURNER: Okay. At this point.....

2 MS. KOCH: It brings it all back for you?

3 MR. TURNER: That brings it all back. So.....

4 MS. KOCH: (Indiscernible).

5 MR. TURNER: .....now we're focusing back to October 30th,  
6 2015, and I will reference back to the Chair, Director Denise,  
7 to advance.

8 MS. KOCH: Okay. So before we go to Dea's technical  
9 presentation were there any other workgroup members that had any  
10 questions or comments based on what Tom presented?

11 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I think two new people might have  
12 joined.

13 MS. KOCH: Okay. So we've been asking people just to  
14 identify themselves. Could you introduce yourself?

15 MS. GLOVER: Sure. I'm Robin Glover. I'm with BP and  
16 SLR.

17 MS. KOCH: Okay. Is there anyone else?

18 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: And I think on the phone.

19 MS. KOCH: Someone on the phone. Someone on the phone  
20 join us? Someone who hasn't identified themselves already?  
21 Guess not.

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Homeland Security.

23 MS. KOCH: Okay. And before Dea gets started I just  
24 wanted to mention that Dea's presentation because it's going to  
25 be so technical and there's so much information on it we're

1 going to take a slightly different approach and that is we're  
2 going to -- after Dea goes through the information on her slide  
3 we're going to pause and make sure that -- see if people have  
4 any clarifying questions or comments on the slide before we go  
5 on and that way you don't have to keep your comments all the way  
6 to the end. There'll be another period at the end of her  
7 presentation where you could ask questions again, but I'd ask to  
8 let her get through the material on her slide and then we'll  
9 pause and take other questions.

10 MR. THOMAS: So after each slide we can ask questions.

11 MS. KOCH: Yeah, after each slide.

12 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: If you can get ready.

13 MS. KOCH: Hold it till the end of the slide.

14 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yeah.

15 MS. HUFF: (Indiscernible) crazy. Everyone's ready?

16 Again, I'm Dea Huff with DEC and Alan Schuler and I worked on  
17 this presentation together. We're both part of the technical  
18 subgroup committee and we worked the most with AECOM directly on  
19 the technical analysis. So I'll be giving the presentation and  
20 Alan's on the phone, so -- and so is AECOM so we can answer any  
21 questions I'm sure that come up.

22 The first slide -- and we have handouts again in the back  
23 for those of you that are here and on line you can see it. But  
24 this is an -- just a simplified overview of the technical  
25 workgroup timeline. And I'm not going to go through every one



1 bullet by bullet, but the point of this was that a lot of work's  
2 been done and it's been an (indiscernible) process and a  
3 collaborative process to go through all of the assumptions that  
4 were made in the modeling analysis, the monitoring data and  
5 working together with industry, DEC and consultants in other  
6 agencies. So this timeline just kind of goes through the  
7 technical workgroup and some of the milestones that we had and  
8 different presentations that we were giving to each other and  
9 the technical workgroup and then internally as discussions moved  
10 forward. John.

11 MR. KUTERBACH: Yes, I have a question about your slide.

12 MS. HUFF: Okay.

13 MR. KUTERBACH: What's the difference between the green  
14 and the blue?

15 MS. HUFF: So the green is what -- anything that DEC was  
16 doing or presenting and the blue is AECOM or industry and what  
17 they were presenting. And together we're the technical  
18 workgroup and so I'm presenting as the technical workgroup and  
19 the conclusions that we made as a group.

20 So there's kind of a lot, some busy slides, but -- this is  
21 -- when we -- when I first joined the group I only joined the  
22 technical subcommittee at first to review the monitoring data.  
23 This is industry data that was provided by industry of  
24 monitoring data up on the North Slope. And this table is a  
25 summary of all the data we were given to review from the

1 beginning and it includes the wellheads, the drill rigs, the  
2 pads and the time that they were there, so an episode  
3 description. So we looked at the number of rigs, the rig hours  
4 operated, the power, whether it was on or off grid. We looked  
5 at the one hour NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations. We looked at the maximum  
6 fuel, gallons per day, that were given by all -- with all this  
7 data, the maximum NO<sub>2</sub> that was recorded at those sites during  
8 that time and then some wind speed direction because we started  
9 to look at what direction the ambient concentrations were coming  
10 from and making sure they were in fact coming from the drill rig  
11 so we were characterizing the right emissions and  
12 concentrations.

13         So that's just an overview of all of the different data  
14 that we were able to look at. And so when we were done  
15 reviewing this data we gave a presentation to the technical  
16 workgroup on the phone and DEC's conclusions regarding that set  
17 of data on the previous slide was that there were no violations  
18 of the one hour NO<sub>2</sub> NAAQ in these datasets. The data could be  
19 considered adequate for determining that drilling under similar  
20 North Slope conditions, similar number of rigs, fuel use,  
21 meteorological conditions, duration, type of drill rigs, et  
22 cetera, would not cause a violation. However, from this -- from  
23 the data that we were given we could not conclude that it was  
24 adequate that drill rig emissions -- that the air quality NAAQS  
25 would be protected under any scenario would not threaten the one

1 hour NO<sub>2</sub> standard.

2 So that was our conclusion based on the data that we were  
3 given and so together we decided that the technical.....

4 MS. KOCH: Dea, Dea.

5 MS. HUFF: Yes.

6 MS. KOCH: We talked about having a pause maybe after some  
7 of these.

8 MS. HUFF: Yes. Sure.

9 MS. KOCH: Could you go back to the.....

10 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

11 MS. KOCH: .....this is a significant slide, so let's just  
12 stop here and just make sure. Does anyone have any questions or  
13 comments so far, any of the workgroup members?

14 MR. BROWER: That third bullet, the data are not adequate  
15 to conclude that drill rig emissions under any scenario will not  
16 threaten the one hour. You couldn't make that determination?

17 MS. HUFF: Right. Because the monitor data we believe  
18 didn't threaten the NAAQ, but under -- so this data under these  
19 fuel uses and gallons per day. But, for instance, if you were  
20 to use or have 10,000 gallons per day for a drill rig, we can't  
21 tell that from this dataset. And so we just wanted to be  
22 certain that the conclusion we came to was for -- under these  
23 conditions there was no violation, but there was no other data  
24 at higher gallons per day or under any other drill rig scenario.  
25 It wasn't -- it didn't cover everything and so that's why we

1 decided to include modeling.

2 MS. TROST: Maybe to clarify. This goes back to what Tom  
3 was saying is that not only do we have to show what happened in  
4 the past, that it didn't violate the standard, but what we were  
5 trying to do with the data is to show that even in the future it  
6 would show that there's no -- no type of operations were using  
7 the drill rigs that would potentially cause violations. And  
8 that -- for that we just didn't have enough data.

9 MR. BROWER: In making that kind of a statement when you  
10 have another one above that that there was no violation of the  
11 one hour, is there some kind of catch 22 in between that I'm not  
12 catching of what we're trying to accomplish? We're saying that  
13 no violations were detected or could be detected or could be  
14 made.....

15 MS. TROST: I think.....

16 MR. BROWER: .....but at the bottom we can not make a  
17 conclusion that emissions under any of these scenarios that  
18 would not threaten the one hour.

19 MS. KOCH: It looks like John wants to respond.

20 MR. KUTERBACH: Yeah. I think what we're trying to say  
21 here, and correct me if I'm wrong please, is that the monitoring  
22 data that we have was representative of certain operations and  
23 certain conditions, but under other conditions that monitoring  
24 data couldn't predict whether or not other conditions would  
25 still comply. So what we found was as drill rigs are currently

1 operating and these -- this was adequately represented of the  
2 current conditions, but if those conditions changed that data  
3 could not prove that there would not be a violation under  
4 different conditions.

5 MS. TROST: Maybe to make it clearer. On the North Slope  
6 currently the way things are operating there we don't think  
7 there's any concern with air quality standards, but we cannot  
8 say that for Cook Inlet and we would not be able -- using this  
9 data we would not be able to say for any other place in the  
10 state using this data.

11 MS. KOCH: Alice.

12 MS. EDWARDS: I just wondered if someone could remind me  
13 what the level of the one hour NO<sub>2</sub> standard is. I know it's a  
14 three year average, I know it's the 98th percentile, but what is  
15 the level of that standard? What -- in part per billion.

16 MS. TROST: A hundred PPB.

17 MS. EDWARDS: Hundred PPB. Okay.

18 MS. HUFF: Yeah. And yeah, I have some more slides on  
19 that. And so this is kind of where the workgroup started.

20 MS. EDWARDS: But if you go back one slide to the  
21 monitoring data.....

22 MS. HUFF: Yes.

23 MS. EDWARDS: .....there are values, maximum  
24 concentrations that are over 100 parts per billion. It's just  
25 that you don't have enough of them to violate standard, but the

1 concentration itself could get that high.

2 MS. HUFF: You're.....

3 MS. EDWARDS: Right?

4 MS. HUFF: It's a probabilistic.....

5 MS. EDWARDS: It's a probabilistic (indiscernible).

6 MS. HUFF: .....(indiscernible) average standard.....

7 MS. EDWARDS: Yeah.

8 MS. HUFF: .....so it's not very straightforward.

9 MR. KUTERBACH: I think if you look at the next slide and  
10 I think Gordon's actually -- no, not this slide. The one before  
11 it.

12 MS. HUFF: Sorry.

13 MR. KUTERBACH: On the third bullet where it says under  
14 any scenario, that is confusing.

15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yeah.

16 MR. KUTERBACH: Because there are scenarios where it does  
17 demonstrate compliance, the monitoring data.

18 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

19 MR. KUTERBACH: But it doesn't demonstrate compliance  
20 under all possible scenarios.

21 MS. HUFF: Yeah. That gives me some better language.  
22 That would be (indiscernible). Okay. Thanks a lot.

23 So in order to move forward with that conclusion the  
24 workgroup agreed that modeling was the best option to fill in  
25 the data gaps and provide guardrails to figure out what those

1 maximum gallons per day would be that you could go up to and not  
2 have a violation of the NAAQ that would cover all possible  
3 situations that we would drill -- that drilling would happen  
4 under. Modeling was previously used to demonstrate compliance  
5 with the annual NO<sub>2</sub> standard under the Minor General Permit and  
6 the source specific permits, both the minor and the Title V.  
7 However, initial modeling runs had showed that commonly used  
8 approach of assuming continuous year-round operations did not  
9 demonstrate compliance with the one hour NAAQS. And as a  
10 reminder, the one hour NO<sub>2</sub> standard went into effect April 12th  
11 of 2010.

12 MS. KOCH: Dea, I just wanted to add one comment. For the  
13 first bullet where you say the technical workgroup agreed that  
14 modeling was best -- the best option for filling the data gaps,  
15 that's specific to the North Slope.

16 MS. HUFF: Yes.

17 MS. KOCH: Right? I just wanted to bring that up since  
18 Barbara had mentioned in the previous slide.....

19 MS. HUFF: Well.....

20 MS. KOCH: .....that all -- it doesn't represent all  
21 possible scenarios, but for this (indiscernible).

22 MS. HUFF: I think going forward the plan was -- yeah,  
23 this is all North Slope. That's all we had and so.....

24 MR. THOMAS: That's all we've completed so far.

25 MS. HUFF: That's all we've completed, yeah.

1 MR. THOMAS: Cook Inlet is next, so.

2 MS. HUFF: Okay. And so just a couple things we've  
3 already kind of been talking about. The one hour NO<sub>2</sub> standard's  
4 based on a complex calculation. It's a three year average of  
5 the 98th percentile of the daily maximum one hour NO<sub>2</sub>  
6 concentration. The technical workgroup therefore used a  
7 statistical approach for the one hour NO<sub>2</sub> demonstration. They  
8 con -- we conducted initial runs with AERMOD dispersion model  
9 using -- and decided to use a Monte Carlo statistical approach,  
10 a TRANSVAP tool that AERMOD develops, to post process the AERMOD  
11 results. The workgroup also decided to use the same approach  
12 for the one hour SO<sub>2</sub> standard which is also a probabilistic  
13 standard.

14 MS. KOCH: Any other questions at this point?

15 MR. TURNER: Just a clarification. You originally ran  
16 with AERMOD because that is the EPA standard?

17 MS. HUFF: It's what's used for permitting.

18 MR. TURNER: Thank you. And then the Monte Carlo  
19 approach, is that an EPA?

20 MS. HUFF: No, it is not and we're going to get into that.

21 MR. TURNER: Okay. Thank you.

22 MS. HUFF: Yeah. It's a way of dealing with that we set  
23 on the other side. The one hour standard, drill rigs don't  
24 operate every single day of the year, most of them, and so it  
25 was a way of dealing with a non-continuous source for a three



1 year probabilistic standard. So to develop that -- to work out  
2 that standard you have to have emissions on or off, but if you  
3 just run continuously the whole time that's not representative  
4 of the drill rigs. And that's why the Monte Carlo statistical  
5 approach that we're going to get into used this TRANSVAP tool to  
6 post process the AERMOD runs.

7 MR. KANADY: Was also one of the issues to address the  
8 fact that not all engines are running flat out 24 seven in the  
9 TRANSVAP?

10 MS. HUFF: No. TRANSVAP just took the AERMOD modeled  
11 outputs and it simulated the on off scenarios for the drill rigs  
12 and it decided when they go on and off and moving from pad to  
13 pad and it didn't -- and then we did -- the model runs had five  
14 wells per pad.

15 MR. THOMAS: And by doing it that way it was made  
16 conservative. And just to address what you said, Tom, your  
17 question. AERMOD was used initially and with the TRANSVAP  
18 approach. So AERMOD's the base model in any case, so it's still  
19 being used. The statistical application is -- well, it's  
20 applied to the results of the AERMOD model run.

21 MS. HUFF: Sorry. And that's post process. I should have  
22 explained that.

23 MR. KANADY: Thank you.

24 MS. KOCH: And before you go on I would ask that the  
25 questions come from the workgroup members and that we'll take a

1 break after Dea's presentation and that'll be an opportunity for  
2 people to talk to the workgroup members and pose their questions  
3 that way.

4 MS. HUFF: Next slide. And so going on with the -- after  
5 the one hour standard and deciding to use this modeling approach  
6 we talked about drill rig categories. The North Slope was the  
7 initial modeling focus. Cook Inlet's to follow. The technical  
8 workgroup decided on categorizing the North Slope drilling  
9 operations into four scenarios. So this was proposed and agreed  
10 upon with the technical workgroup and the four categories that  
11 are covered for the North Slope are routine drilling on isolated  
12 pad, routine drilling on a collocated pad, developmental  
13 drilling on an isolated pad and developmental drilling on a  
14 collocated pad. And you can see the description off to the  
15 right. The routine drilling includes onshore routine infill  
16 drilling, sidetrack drilling at a detached pad, exploration and  
17 delineation drilling. The routine drilling is onshore routine  
18 drilling and sidetrack drilling at a collocated pad and then  
19 developmental is onshore developmental drilling at an isolated  
20 or collocated pad.

21 I'm just pausing to see if anyone has any questions.

22 MR. KINDRED: It may be beneficial to explain why you made  
23 the distinction between developmental drilling and infill  
24 drilling as far as.....

25 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

1 MR. KINDRED: .....how it affects it.

2 MS. HUFF: And I'll let someone else answer.

3 MR. THOMAS: I can do that. Developmental drilling is  
4 drilling that occurs on a pad for two consecutive years or more.  
5 Routine drilling is drilling that occurs for less than two years  
6 on a pad. Two years was selected as the -- because it's  
7 associated with the temporary construction activity threshold.  
8 So we separated it into those two categories for that reason.  
9 It turns out in the modeling it doesn't make a lot of  
10 difference, but that's why we started that way. And the  
11 collocated pad, very few of those, but those are pads that are  
12 adjacent to, abutting PSD major facilities. The isolated pads  
13 are the pads that aren't adjacent to or abutting PSD major  
14 facilities, which is most of them.

15 MR. KINDRED: And in its inception when we were  
16 contemplating these different categories did we have a fifth  
17 scenario that took into account offshore drilling?

18 MR. THOMAS: We started with offshore drilling, but the  
19 drilling that happens on platforms in Cook Inlet, that drilling  
20 is I think part and parcel of the stationary source permits and  
21 I don't think we're having any major problems to solve with  
22 those at this point. Correct me if I'm wrong. And Wally, you  
23 can tell me if I'm wrong after we've had a break, so.

24 MS. HUFF: Yeah. So these were the -- yeah, the final  
25 agreed upon ones. And we'll -- they'll come up again, so you'll

1 see what we ended up coming up with.

2 So in the beginning, this was August of 2014, industry  
3 modeled the one hour NO<sub>2</sub> impacts from a generic drill rig.  
4 That's what was proposed. It was -- conducted a separate run  
5 for each wellhead and modeled five wells per pad and I'm going  
6 to show an example of what this might look like. You -- we used  
7 TRANSVAP to assess the impacts from 10,000 combinations of  
8 modeled results. This varied when and how long the rig operated  
9 at each wellhead.

10 Okay. This one turned out -- it might be a little bit  
11 hard to see, but we have -- all have handouts in front of us.  
12 This is an illustration of how TRANSVAP combines AERMOD runs  
13 from a rig operation at two wellheads. I'll explain it and if  
14 we need any further explanation Tom who made this graph can --  
15 and Tiffany can explain it also. So we have concentration on  
16 the X axis and time and days. The first one is just an example  
17 of a rig at well one. And you can see it's a continuously  
18 operating rig and so the concentration goes up and down as the  
19 rig is operating. The red is a rig operating on wellhead two,  
20 for example, and it's continuously operating. The third one is  
21 the drill rig not operating at all. And so when you add those  
22 together you can see that you have a representative drill rig  
23 simulation of a drill turning -- running and switching from  
24 wellhead to wellhead. And this is what it would look like and  
25 so this type of emissions were post processed after the model

1 runs to combine the different continuous operations that came  
2 out of AERMOD to make a representative result. And so that's  
3 just kind of what it would look like. You can see that the  
4 drill rig's on sometimes, sometimes it's off. Sometimes it's at  
5 one wellhead, sometimes it's at another wellhead. And 10,000 of  
6 those scenarios changing from five different wellheads is what  
7 was going on in the post processing, so.

8         During the past year. So that's kind of what we started.  
9 The proposal came in with all these modeling assumptions and  
10 together we went through all of the assumptions, the guidance  
11 and worked together in an iterative process and detailed  
12 technical discussions. We reviewed the EPA guidance, reviewed  
13 the datasets, changes in rig characterization, modeling  
14 assumptions and/or revised the modeling and the TRANSVAP runs.  
15 So a lot of work went into really looking at the details of the  
16 modeling analysis and if the results were conservative,  
17 representative and protected the air quality standard. And so  
18 that was the goal of reviewing these modeling results and then  
19 working together to make sure that all the assumptions were  
20 agreeable to all -- everybody, that we come to that same  
21 conclusion and goal.

22         So the next slide, and again this is a big table, but we  
23 just wanted to show every -- all the areas that were reviewed  
24 and the solutions we came up with. I think for this table the  
25 important column is the consensus reached as the technical

1 workgroup and we did go through all of the issues since that  
2 first modeling was proposed and reached solutions on everything.

3         And I'm going to go in a little more detail into a couple  
4 of the sections like stack and the associated structure heights  
5 and other assumptions that we made in the model. You can see it  
6 in the outstanding action items we have no for most of the  
7 issues have been resolved with the technical workgroup. The  
8 background NO<sub>2</sub> data did come from CD-1 which is under review  
9 with the Department currently. And so that's still outstanding,  
10 but not holding up any moving forward with policy. And then the  
11 last bullet of intermittent hourly excursions and fuel  
12 consumption I'm going to talk about in a few minutes, how we  
13 modeled that. And we're still discussing -- we agree on the  
14 methodology and the analysis of how the excursions were done,  
15 but there's still some interpretation on the actual operational  
16 days of how that would work in a regulatory context which kind  
17 of goes over into the policy discussion, but it is an  
18 outstanding item so I thought I'd leave that on there. And so  
19 I'm going to go into a couple of these issues on the left hand  
20 column in a few slides so you can see some of the real details  
21 that went into the modeling analysis and what we decided.

22         With the stack and associated structure heights from the  
23 table before, the modeled stack and building heights represent  
24 -- we're changing from generic, which is how we started, to a  
25 typical drill rig. And the difference in that was we surveyed

1 the building heights, the stack heights and stack to building  
2 height ratios from seven North Slope drill rigs that we had  
3 really detailed information on. Selected a short building stack  
4 height which would have the stack on top and then that ratio was  
5 used to calculate the stack height for that unit and I'm going  
6 to show the exact values on the next slides. The drill rig  
7 characterized the units and the ratings for the different  
8 engines are going to be shown on the following table and that  
9 was a survey of 22 different North Slope drill rigs. So we were  
10 really trying to get an idea of the North Slope typical drill  
11 rig so we could use that in the model and make sure we were  
12 within what would be drilling on the North Slope.

13 And so the results of the ratings and stack heights for  
14 the model.....

15 MS. KOCH: Dea, hold on.

16 MS. HUFF: I'm sorry.

17 MS. KOCH: I think we had a question on the last slide.

18 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, just a clarification.....

19 MS. HUFF: Yeah, sure.

20 MR. KUTERBACH: .....that this is a -- we call it a  
21 typical drill rig, but what we've modeled is not really any one  
22 of these specific drill rigs.

23 MS. HUFF: Right.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Right. Okay.

25 MS. HUFF: Yes.

1 MS. KOCH: Any other workgroup questions or comments? On  
2 this slide.

3 MS. HUFF: So the ratings and stack heights of the modeled  
4 units. We have the unit description, the cumulative rating and  
5 that's where the 22 different drill rigs came in and the assumed  
6 stack height in meters which is height above the surface and  
7 that was from the detailed seven drills -- drill rigs that were  
8 analyzed for this purpose. And so this is what we ended up  
9 with, modeling for the primary engines, utility, small engines,  
10 the heaters and boilers. Questions on that slide?

11 Okay. Next slide. Again with the same part of the table,  
12 the stack and associated structure heights. This shows the  
13 assumed drill stack and building locations. The numbers one  
14 through six, I know that they're kind of hard to read up here  
15 but we wanted to show the whole pad and what it looks like when  
16 it's being modeled. One through six is the stacks and then the  
17 building IDs are A through I. And you can see over on the right  
18 hand side you have the height above the surface in meters for  
19 the stacks, each individual stack, and then its location on the  
20 buildings over on the left hand side, what that layout looks  
21 like on the pad. And this was provided by AECOM that did the  
22 modeling.

23 Okay. I'm looking around the room, but if anyone on the  
24 phone I guess has a question just -- that's part of the drill  
25 rig workgroup pipe up.



1           Okay. So the next one, important aspects of the modeling  
2 analysis. Some other things to keep in mind as we did this  
3 analysis. We continued to assume vertical uncapped stacks.  
4 There was two different fuels that was -- that we used for the  
5 one hour SO<sub>2</sub> demonstration, but kept the total fuel consumption  
6 constant and we are going to show the results. We had ultra-low  
7 sulfur diesel for the engines and low end point diesel for the  
8 heaters and boilers. In addition to that there were varied --  
9 we varied the fuel allocation of each by season. The current  
10 AERMOD version changed because this analysis had taken so long.  
11 There was an upgrade in the AERMOD version and the most current  
12 version is 15181 and we used that for the one hour NO<sub>2</sub> which was  
13 our limiting pollutant and PM-2.5. But the previous version  
14 right before that for other pollutants and AECOM did do a  
15 sensitivity run to not redo all that work, but show that there  
16 would not be -- the results don't change for one hour SO<sub>2</sub> and  
17 PM-2.5.

18           MS. KOCH: Dea, I have a.....

19           MS. HUFF: Yeah.

20           MS. KOCH: .....question on that last bullet. So I  
21 understand that NO<sub>2</sub> was the limiting pollutant and that's why  
22 you wanted to rerun it or AECOM wanted to rerun it with the most  
23 recent version of the model, but why the 24 hour PM-2.5 if the  
24 sensitivity run showed that the results didn't change? Was that  
25 just to prove that the results didn't change?

1 MS. HUFF: Maybe Alan can answer that one.

2 MR. SCHULER: This is Alan. Yeah, that's right, Denise.  
3 It was just to prove that the results didn't change.

4 MS. KOCH: Okay. So it was almost a proof of the  
5 sensitivity analysis?

6 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

7 MS. KOCH: Okay.

8 MR. SCHULER: (Indiscernible).

9 MS. KOCH: And I should -- let's just pause with this.  
10 Mike, since you're on the phone I want to make sure that you  
11 don't have -- you haven't had any questions. I want to give you  
12 an opportunity to provide any feedback or questions.

13 MR. MUNGER: No, I don't have any questions.

14 MS. KOCH: Okay.

15 MS. HUFF: Okay. Moving on with some more important  
16 aspects of the modeling analysis. We used the polar -- Plume  
17 Volume Molar Ratio Method, PVMRM, to estimate NO<sub>2</sub>. This is a  
18 non-guideline alternative modeling technique within AERMOD to  
19 estimate NO<sub>2</sub> that requires Department and Region 10 approval,  
20 but this approval has been previously granted in similar  
21 requests and DEC does not -- expects that they would continue to  
22 do so. The alternative modeling techniques of any kind require  
23 -- are subject to public comment. The EPA proposed revisions to  
24 PVMR2. Also this happened -- PVMRM2 while we were in the  
25 modeling process in July of 2015, but the proposal does not

1 require revisions to the work in progress. So currently we're  
2 just leaving it with the PVMRM.

3 Okay. We're getting to slide 17. Items to note regarding  
4 the TRANSVAP analysis, the results. Coming on the next slide is  
5 a summary of all of our results and pollutants. Industry  
6 provided these results originally in terms of nominal fuel  
7 consumption of gallons per day. They provided a value for each  
8 pollutant and averaging period and drilling scenario. The term  
9 nominal is undefined, but generally represents the quantity that  
10 could be burned without violating the given NAAQ.

11 MS. KOCH: So let's stop there because that's also I think  
12 a significant slide. Does anyone have any questions or comments  
13 on that?

14 MR. THOMAS: We elaborate on it quite a bit.

15 MS. KOCH: Okay.

16 MS. HUFF: So now that that's explained, the current  
17 nominal fuel limits in gallons per day. This table contains all  
18 the pollutants and the averaging period and then the four  
19 different drill rig scenarios. You can see the criteria  
20 pollutants were all modeled for compliance and -- except for  
21 lead, the averaging periods and the drill rig scenario. You  
22 have the routine drilling isolated, routine drilling collocated,  
23 developmental drilling isolated and developmental drilling  
24 collocated. And these -- you can see in red the pollutant  
25 averaging period with the smallest fuel consumption, so

1 therefore the limit. The pollutant with the most restrictive  
2 limit is the one hour NO<sub>2</sub> and it's 14,700 gallons per day and  
3 then you can see it goes down per the category, 11,400 for the  
4 routine drilling collocated, 14,700 for developmental drilling  
5 isolated and 10,700 for the developmental drilling collocated.  
6 And then down below you can see the one hour SO<sub>2</sub> and what those  
7 values are and then at the very bottom we have the smallest unit  
8 -- oh, sorry. The smallest limit per scenario. And so of all  
9 the scenarios the smallest limit is one hour NO<sub>2</sub> for  
10 developmental drilling collocated at 10,700 gallons per day.

11 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: (Indiscernible).

12 MS. KOCH: Going once, going twice.

13 MS. HUFF: So this next slide is just for comparison. You  
14 kind of heard those values for one hour NO<sub>2</sub> and the gallons per  
15 day. We do have a graph of the historical Prudhoe Bay fuel use  
16 from 2006 to 2011 and you can see that the highest frequency is  
17 about 800 or 900 gallons per day and then out to very few times,  
18 but it does happen up to 6,000 gallons per day. So those  
19 modeled impacts at those levels that protect the max definitely  
20 cover everything currently that -- or historically I should say  
21 that's being drilled in gallons per day at Prudhoe Bay.

22 MS. KOCH: Questions? Okay.

23 MS. HUFF: So this slide -- in addition to -- we modeled  
24 this nominal fuel use limit to be conservative in the model and  
25 make sure that we were covering transient operations that happen

1 on the drill rig pads. The modeled nominal daily limit was plus  
2 15 percent and that's what we modeled to cover any excursions  
3 that might happen. Later on as the modeling went on we decided  
4 to do further modeling with the excursions to really define what  
5 that meant and what the limits would be, how much you could --  
6 what kind of fuel you could burn and how often you could burn it  
7 above the nominal daily limit before you would violate an Act.  
8 And so that's kind of what we looked in -- that's what we looked  
9 into with the excursions and this graph I was going to say is  
10 kind of depicting that, if that makes sense. It's just a  
11 cartoon. It's not -- it's just illustrative of what could  
12 happen.

13 MS. KOCH: So it's not an actual (indiscernible).

14 MS. HUFF: (Indiscernible). Yeah. It's just -- it's not  
15 actual model data either. It's just a cartoon of how -- of kind  
16 of what happened with the modeling and that conservatism that  
17 was built into the model value, that we modeled nominal daily  
18 plus 15 percent.

19 MS. KOCH: Does anyone have any other comments or  
20 questions, workgroup members?

21 MS. HUFF: So when we decided to go forward and we were  
22 presented with the excursion modeling, it's 25 percent increase  
23 in fuel consumption to randomly occur 20 percent of the  
24 operational time. So this is in addition to the nominal daily  
25 limits that we just showed you in the table.

1 MS. KOCH: So Dea, so what you're talking about, those are  
2 the spikes.....

3 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

4 MS. KOCH: .....on that cartoon.

5 MS. HUFF: On the cartoon, yeah. Quantifying the  
6 excursions.

7 MR. KINDRED: Is there a reason that you chose those  
8 particular quantities, 25 percent increased fuel consumption 20  
9 percent of the time?

10 MS. HUFF: Tom Damiana could maybe or Brad could answer  
11 that, but I believe it was just to try -- as a way -- we had to  
12 use something to randomly occur in the model to represent what  
13 might be happening. And so that wasn't like a sensitivity  
14 answer, it was just a -- an amount that was chosen. I don't  
15 know, Brad or Tom.....

16 MS. KOCH: Brad, do you have any.....

17 MS. HUFF: .....if you have a better explanation?

18 MR. THOMAS: I'll defer to Tom.

19 MS. HUFF: Tom.

20 MR. DAMIANA: No, that.....

21 MS. HUFF: Okay. That's it. Yeah.

22 MR. DAMIANA: .....no, that's it. It seemed like a  
23 reasonable.....

24 MS. HUFF: Reasonable, yeah. A reasonable amount to  
25 quantify the excursions. And because you -- we had to put that

1 into the model on top of it. You'll see on the next slide how  
2 this worked out.

3 So to do -- to have that randomly added on to this is how  
4 it worked. You can remember way earlier we looked at the rig  
5 being on, this is the red line illustrative, and then we have  
6 the rig being off, the blue line. So you have your on and off  
7 operation which is representative of a drill rig. Sometimes  
8 during that operation you have excursions that go above the fuel  
9 that you normally use. Those are represented by the green and  
10 the green line is 25 percent higher fuel use 20 percent of the  
11 time and made to occur randomly in duration and distribution.  
12 And so the final result is on the right and this is the total  
13 emissions in gallons per second it must be and the time of day.  
14 But it's just an illustrative purpose of how that would look,  
15 what the modeling looks like in the emissions file. So you have  
16 the hourly excursions in green on top of the already nominal  
17 daily fuel use limits and then you have the TRANSVAP post  
18 processing showing how it's on and off.

19 And then one more graph here. The -- this is an example,  
20 five year drill rig activity profile with excursions. And so  
21 you can see kind of the full result. We ran five years of  
22 modeling, so it's a robust modeling analysis so that you can  
23 cover all different kinds of meteorology that may occur that you  
24 wouldn't just have in one or two years. So by choosing five  
25 years it's a robust analysis. And you can see the on and off

1 with the excursions now and all the different years and how that  
2 might look under one scenario, but 10,000 were modeled, so.

3 MS. TROST: Dea, you might just want to -- because you  
4 mentioned the five years. That is based on A pad.....

5 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

6 MS. TROST: .....met data, right?

7 MS. HUFF: Yes.

8 MS. TROST: So that is -- it's North Slope -- real North  
9 Slope met data that was used or meteorological data we used for  
10 the modeling.

11 MS. HUFF: Okay.

12 MS. KOCH: Tom, was that a question?

13 MR. TURNER: No. I was adding up something else in --  
14 about this, but never mind.

15 MS. TROST: Okay.

16 MR. TURNER: Thank you.

17 MS. TROST: Oh, looking at the (indiscernible)?

18 MS. HUFF: So these are the industry proposed. Then you  
19 have the -- kind of the final summary slide. Not final for the  
20 presentation, but of the fuel use limits. We have the excursion  
21 limits and we have the nominal limits. So now you have the  
22 allowable fuel consumption based on one hour NO<sub>2</sub> demonstration  
23 because that's our limiting pollutant. We have the proposed  
24 nominal limit for all four scenarios and then the proposed  
25 excursion limit which is about 25 percent higher fuel use 25



1 percent of the time. And what that looks like in gallons per  
2 day is 18,375 and 14,000 for the routine drilling collocated,  
3 250, and then 13,375.

4 MR. KUTERBACH: So the values you have of the proposed  
5 excursion limit, that's simply 25 percent higher than the  
6 proposed nominal fuel limit?

7 MS. HUFF: I don't (indiscernible).

8 MR. KUTERBACH: To get to the 18,375.....

9 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

10 MR. KUTERBACH: .....you just add 25 percent of 14,700  
11 onto it.

12 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

13 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

14 MS. HUFF: How it's distributed, right.....

15 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

16 MS. HUFF: .....(indiscernible).

17 MR. KUTERBACH: And so that daily fuel -- these are all  
18 daily gallons per day.

19 MS. HUFF: Yes.

20 MR. KUTERBACH: That would be under this scheme would be  
21 allowed 20 percent of the time. That would be 20 percent of the  
22 operating time?

23 MS. HUFF: The operating time.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

25 MS. HUFF: When the rig is operating. And we do have

1 comments on that. It's how that would be -- how you would  
2 translate that, but that's on the next slide. So if we have no  
3 other.....

4 MS. KOCH: Dea, I just wanted to correct one item for the  
5 transcript. I think it was a slip of the tongue. But it's --  
6 for the proposed excursion limit it's the allowed 25 percent  
7 higher fuel 20 percent of the time.

8 MS. HUFF: Yes. Sorry.

9 MS. KOCH: Okay.

10 MS. HUFF: Did I mix it up? Yeah. Sorry about that.  
11 It's what it says right there.

12 Okay. So the DEC comments on the proposed excursion  
13 limits. The concept of 20 percent would need to be translated  
14 into allowed operation -- operating period. And so just for  
15 example what that -- we were talking about is you could do six  
16 days within each 30 day operating period. Just because the  
17 drill rigs do operate on and off there's some translation that  
18 has to go on, like what is 20 percent of the operational time.  
19 And so that was just an example that we listed and I think Brad  
20 has more perspective on that. But it's just a comment we wanted  
21 to make and that you do have to translate 20 percent of the  
22 operational time into something to move forward with that.....

23 MS. KOCH: So.....

24 MS. HUFF: .....in operational days.

25 MS. KOCH: Versus just 20 percent of.....

1 MS. HUFF: Of everything, right. Versus 20 percent of the  
2 year straight up because the drill rigs aren't operating every  
3 day of the year. All -- not all of them, so.

4 The excursion analysis assumed the final fuel spikes  
5 occurred from the modeled drill rig. What we went over, the  
6 stack and associated structure heights in the model unit slides  
7 that we showed based on the survey of the 22 rigs. And so  
8 potential allowances for concurrent well servicing activities,  
9 including well fracking, would need additional consideration.  
10 And so that point is just that the modeling analysis that we all  
11 came to consensus on currently is based on everything we showed  
12 you today and the assumptions that were made.

13 MS. KOCH: So let's pause there and see if there are any  
14 other.....

15 MS. HUFF: Yes.

16 MS. KOCH: .....questions or comments from the workgroup  
17 for the technical workgroup.

18 MS. HUFF: And then a tickler regarding the mundane but  
19 important program requirement. Just bring up again that any  
20 program based on this modeling analysis needs to require  
21 vertical, uncapped stack during drill rig activities. And it's  
22 a critical modeling assumption. If you were to assume that you  
23 had capped your horizontal stacks it would cause an increase in  
24 modeled impacts and lead to more restrictive fuel limits.

25 MS. KOCH: Any comments or questions on this one? Brad,

1 do you have any?

2 MS. HUFF: So the technical conclusions. You've seen all  
3 of the fuel limits that were proposed, but our conclusion is  
4 that drill rig fuel limits are only for the North Slope drill  
5 rigs represented by the modeled drill rig. And it may not  
6 represent operations that include additional significant sources  
7 that we hadn't thought about here because that would -- may lead  
8 to an increase in impacts. And that's our technical conclusions  
9 on the workgroup. Thanks for sitting through that. Yes.

10 MR. KINDRED: I have a question I guess about this general  
11 statement in this.

12 MS. HUFF: Okay.

13 MR. KINDRED: It comes with my state or caveat that I  
14 often don't know what the hell I'm talking about, but that being  
15 said that statement seems unnecessarily limiting given I guess  
16 the breadth of monitoring data and modeling that was done. Is  
17 there a particular reason this language is included? I mean is  
18 there not a reason that we could give it a greater  
19 applicability?

20 MS. HUFF: I think there probably is several reasons, but  
21 one of them going through the different assumptions that were  
22 made we definitely went through trying to have a representative  
23 drill rig. And so with different -- with certain ratings in the  
24 units and the pad size and all of these assumptions. And so we  
25 just want to make clear that that's what we're agreeing to so

1 far and if you consider -- I don't know what they would be, but  
2 twice the pad size where you'd have a larger ambient field for  
3 the impacts. I don't know, whatever it would be, but that's not  
4 considered here. Just in case it's completely out of the realm  
5 of what we modeled we want to make sure that we're talking about  
6 analysis for this. But it's certainly up for discussion and I  
7 think that it's going to be. But that was the intention was  
8 that it was for these. Like say you had an engine with double  
9 -- as we started maybe you had an engine with three times the  
10 stack height. That would have totally different downwash and  
11 impact of facts on the modeling than the survey of these drill  
12 rigs that we used. And so, you know, it's no exact limit, but  
13 John probably has better (indiscernible).

14 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, that -- no, that brings a question  
15 from -- in my mind.

16 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

17 MR. KUTERBACH: So what are -- North Slope drill rigs  
18 represented by the modeled drill rig, what are those, the 22  
19 rigs or.....

20 MS. HUFF: Yes.

21 MR. KUTERBACH: And any similar rig.....

22 MS. HUFF: Yeah, exactly.

23 MR. KUTERBACH: .....to those 22?

24 MS. HUFF: There's -- yeah, and anything similar.

25 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

1 MS. HUFF: I think we don't have an exact plus or minus 10  
2 meters. I don't think we have that. And so that's.....

3 MR. KUTERBACH: So this isn't just limited to.....

4 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

5 MR. KUTERBACH: .....those 22.....

6 MS. HUFF: Exactly, yeah.

7 MR. KUTERBACH: .....individual rigs.

8 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

9 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

10 MR. KINDRED: What about the subsequent statement, the  
11 additional significant sources? And maybe you can help me out.  
12 Is there something you have sort of contemplated this arena  
13 wouldn't fall under what we're trying to do here, or is it just  
14 all hypothetical, all theoretical?

15 MS. HUFF: No, I think mostly for now it's hypothetical  
16 and given the background maybe some changes or something like  
17 that. I know there's additional well servicing activities that  
18 Brad has been talking about that I'm not -- you know, just -- I  
19 think just making that -- making sure that we're not just saying  
20 absolutely anything goes without hearing what that is. So.....

21 MS. KOCH: Barbara.

22 MR. SCHULER: This is Alan. If I may interject.

23 MS. HUFF: Yeah, yeah. Sure.

24 MR. SCHULER: But we're looking at non-drill rig scenarios  
25 is what has brought this up. And actually what brought this up

1 was the question came up real late in the game about well  
2 fracking. Well fracking does not occur on a drill rig. It's a  
3 totally different stack release iteration, (indiscernible)  
4 emission unit. And we did think about that when we were doing  
5 this so, you know, that's a drill rig operation that supports  
6 drilling, but it's not a drill rig, you know, kind of  
7 configuration where you have (indiscernible) and emissions  
8 coming off of that kind of platform. And so that's what this  
9 goal was trying to get at is other types of activities that may  
10 come on, but it's not a drilling operation. Does that help?

11 MR. KINDRED: It does, yes. Thank you.

12 MS. KOCH: And I would -- I just wanted to clarify. Also  
13 for these technical conclusions, these are the conclusions that  
14 there was consensus on. Right?

15 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

16 MS. KOCH: So it's not that another significant source.  
17 If there were additional significant sources it would just have  
18 to be evaluated.

19 MS. HUFF: Yeah. Yeah.

20 MS. KOCH: And they haven't been evaluated in this  
21 context.

22 MR. THOMAS: And I do have in my presentation a slide that  
23 addresses this because we may have the data already available to  
24 evaluate it, so. And I'll get into that.

25 MS. HUFF: Yeah. And then I think then, yeah, we would do

1 that. But at this time I guess that's where we just wanted to  
2 -- where we all had agreed and had enough time to think about  
3 it. So it was purposeful in that way for sure.

4 MS. KOCH: All right. I saw Barbara, our technical  
5 workgroup member.

6 MS. TROST: Well, I guess I just wanted to bring you back  
7 to the point that we're not just reviewing this because we don't  
8 have enough work to do. What we're trying to do is make sure  
9 that there is a sound scientific basis for what is being  
10 proposed and what we then will have to take out, A, to the  
11 public and, B, the EPA in the approval process. And so we're  
12 going through this in a very rigorous fashion to make sure that  
13 all of our I's are dotted and our T's are crossed. And so what  
14 this slide is basically saying, from all the things that we have  
15 put into the model basically on all the model (indiscernible)  
16 this is where we're at. And so new ideas come in or if there's  
17 other things that we need to look at then those are not yet --  
18 they haven't run through that same rigorous process.

19 MS. KOCH: John.

20 MR. KUTERBACH: Yeah, I do have -- that kind of prompted a  
21 question in my mind. So we've done a lot of very good, highly  
22 technical modeling work. We've analyzed stuff. We've used a  
23 Monte Carlo approach to address the problem. And eventually any  
24 changes we make as a result of this are going to be reviewed by  
25 EPA and they're going to review the backup data. Has anything



1 similar been used at EPA to evaluate air quality compliance that  
2 -- I mean are we heading down a dead end with EPA or is there  
3 some.....

4 MS. TROST: I.....

5 MR. KUTERBACH: .....some glimmer of hope from other  
6 things that have gone on that we're going to get this approved  
7 by EPA?

8 MS. HUFF: I think Alan could better answer that, but we  
9 have -- I have Monte Carlo and other -- not for drill rigs, but  
10 it has been presented to EPA and at the 11th modeling conference  
11 for other issues relating to air quality. So it's definitely  
12 not some totally out there method. But as far as what EPA may  
13 or may not approve, I know Alan has preliminarily spoken with  
14 them about it, Alan, and you had their reply?

15 MR. SCHULER: Yeah, this is Alan. Yeah, we had a  
16 conversation with Dave Bray of Region 10. The Monte Carlo  
17 approach itself, it's not been used by EPA in any approach, but  
18 I think Region 10 is open to the concept. They haven't raised  
19 any red flags with us regarding this approach. Honestly, you  
20 know, we're going to have to document everything that we --  
21 that's done here, you know, in this technical analysis if we  
22 proceed with, you know, revising our SIP. And I'm sure that  
23 they will have questions about that, but I haven't seen any red  
24 flags from them yet. But I think they're open to it. They're  
25 open to entertaining it and it's just going to be going through

1 the process. Does that help?

2 MR. KUTERBACH: Yes. Thank you, Alan.

3 MS. KOCH: And while we're on the phone I just want to  
4 make sure. Mike, do you have any -- now that the technical  
5 presentation has concluded do you have any questions?

6 MR. MUNGER: No, I still don't. It's highly technical to  
7 say the least.

8 MS. KOCH: It is, it is. And that's why I thought for  
9 this one we definitely need to just stop and pause slide by  
10 slide because it's a lot to take in. Gordon.

11 MR. BROWER: This is just kind of squirrel caging around  
12 my mind here about representative drill rigs that are from the  
13 North Slope. And in my mind the climate up there being -- the  
14 drilling season that's -- that are typically used for drilling  
15 operations seems to suggest that it's just the highest  
16 consumption rate of any drill rig use in the state of Alaska.  
17 And it seems to me it would be a representative number for any  
18 other rig on the -- in the state.

19 MS. KOCH: Well, Dea, I want to ask you. Part of this  
20 model is not just the fuel use. You also have to -- I thought  
21 you also had to consider the meteorology that's unique to that  
22 location and that's why the North Slope data couldn't be  
23 extrapolated, just extrapolated to cover Cook Inlet. Is that  
24 correct?

25 MS. HUFF: Yeah, I think you definitely need to use local

1 meteorology down in that area to run the model. But as far as  
2 what drill rigs are down there versus the North Slope I would  
3 rely on you -- on other experts to talk about that, but.....

4 MS. KOCH: Barbara.

5 MS. TROST: In addition one of the things we have to  
6 consider. That's why we have not yet done the Cook Inlet is  
7 that in -- on the North Slope there's very -- other sources  
8 around. So it's not just the amount that a drill rig is able to  
9 emit. It's -- it has to also -- we have to make sure that when  
10 we locate a drill rig closer to other industries or populations  
11 that there are not other sources that conflict.

12 MS. HUFF: Your background would change for Cook Inlet.

13 MS. TROST: Yeah.

14 MS. HUFF: We have to add background into the -- into  
15 these calculations, so.

16 MS. TROST: I'm just trying to say it.

17 MS. KOCH: Okay. Workgroup members, any last questions?  
18 Otherwise what I'm going to do is I'm going to -- I think we're  
19 just a few minutes early. Let's take a break until about --  
20 reconvene at 2:05. Just take a short break and then if people  
21 have some other questions or members of the public have come and  
22 talked to their workgroup member representative we'll -- I'll  
23 ask Dea first to come to see if there are any other last  
24 questions and if not then we'll move on to Brad's presentation.  
25 So 2:05.

1 THE REPORTER: Off the record at 1:50.

2 (Off record at 1:50 p.m.)

3 (On record at 2:05 p.m.)

4 MS. KOCH: All right. If I could get everybody's  
5 attention. I wish I had a gavel. I don't have a gavel. Gavel,  
6 gavel, gavel. So we're at 2:05. We're going to crack the door  
7 a little bit. I know it's hot in here. We're back on the  
8 record and before we go forward to Brad's presentation I just  
9 wanted to see if -- after the break if there were other  
10 questions that were generated. I don't know if the workgroup  
11 members have any other questions on the technical information  
12 that Dea provided. Okay. Seeing none then we'll transition to  
13 Brad's slide pack.

14 MS. HUFF: Okay. (Indiscernible). You want your  
15 PowerPoint first I'm assuming.

16 MR. THOMAS: Yeah. Yeah.

17 MS. HUFF: Before you get into the.....

18 MR. THOMAS: So what I'll present, two different things.  
19 One is the PowerPoint. It is two, four, six -- I think it's  
20 seven slides. And the point that I want to make is that the  
21 modeling's been conducted to establish the guardrails of what we  
22 call the guardrail modeling summary. Guardrails of daily fuel  
23 volumes. It's robust, it's conservative and it can be broadly  
24 applied. That's a point I really want to emphasize. I know  
25 that there are some things that the technical subcommittee,

1 Alan, you still would like to review and that's fair.

2 So our work is not 100 percent done. You know, we've  
3 still got to do the Cook Inlet modeling and get that --  
4 consensus built around that. There's still a couple, you know,  
5 details around the North Slope (indiscernible) that we've got to  
6 resolve. So this is the intro into the robustness I guess of  
7 the modeling to show that it can't (indiscernible). One of our  
8 goals is to have any program cover diesel fired drill rigs in  
9 general in the state. So diesel fired rigs that use engines for  
10 power and heaters and boilers for heat, that's what we want to  
11 cover. You know, there are concepts of drill rigs powered by  
12 turbines, none of which operate in the state so far. Right?  
13 That -- so we'd have -- there'd have to be more work to cover  
14 those. We don't, you know, intend for this work to cover those.  
15 And there would also be work if -- the technical group would  
16 have to do if we're going to cover or use this program to cover  
17 gas fired rigs because we haven't done them yet.  
18 (Indiscernible) with that. So our goal is to cover diesel fired  
19 drill rigs as we commonly know them broad.

20 So you can go to the next slide, Dea. So why is the model  
21 conservative and robust? We picked the smallest pads that we  
22 know of. The small pads are exemplified by drill site 3-S in  
23 Kuparuk and CD-2, three and four in Alpine. Those are all very  
24 small pads. So we used pads of that size to -- as the boundary  
25 for ambient air. So the ambient air boundary was very close to

1 the drilling activity because we used the small pad size.

2       The second bullet -- you know, to the modeling output.  
3 When we ran an AERMOD on the rig emissions to know what the  
4 ambient air quality impacts are going to be you have to add  
5 monitored background data to the model results and the  
6 background data that we used was ambient data collected at A pad  
7 in Prudhoe Bay to cover the isolated pads and CD-1 in Alpine to  
8 cover the collocated pads. So we used different background  
9 datasets for the different pad identifiers, whether isolated or  
10 collocated. The background data -- the monitoring was conducted  
11 on A pad and CD-1 while drilling was going on, while well  
12 servicing activities were going on, but we didn't try to take  
13 that out of the ambient data that we monitored. So in the  
14 background we added the model output. You know, we're  
15 essentially conceivably double counting the emissions by adding  
16 monitored data to modeled data for the same thing. And if that  
17 doesn't make sense you can ask a question when I get done with  
18 the slide.

19       The engines that we used on the rigs were non-tiered  
20 engines and that means that the NOX emission rates that were  
21 modeled were higher than what they in aggregate internally are.  
22 Because over time beginning in the late 90s the engines on the  
23 drill rigs started to transition to tier one, tier two, tier  
24 three engines. We even have some up there now that are tier  
25 four interim. So the NOX emission rates from the engines are

1 lower now really than what was modeled. We used vendor emission  
2 data for non-tiered engines as model input.

3 We also in the model were conservative by having on a pad  
4 of say -- actually this is a -- there's a typo. We actually  
5 corrected this. It says five modeled wells conservatively  
6 represent 25. It should be 15. The -- you know, there's a lot  
7 of pads -- or I'm sorry, a lot of wells on a pad, but we had the  
8 rig -- and correct me if I'm wrong, Tom. We had the rig going  
9 back to the same five wells every time which would concentrate  
10 the impacts. Did I get that right, Tom?

11 MR. DAMIANA: Yes, you did.

12 MR. THOMAS: Okay. We'll assume that I did. And the  
13 model also inflated the power needed by the rig. You know,  
14 typically when a rig drills it's about three megawatt power to  
15 man, but in the model we had anywhere from five to six megawatts  
16 power to man. So we had the emissions. I think this addresses  
17 what Wally was talking to you about earlier. We really inflated  
18 the emissions in that way as well. So not only did we use non-  
19 tiered engines, but we increased the power output from the rig  
20 during the drilling. And as a result that -- you know, it's the  
21 third to last bullet, the fuel use that we modeled exceeds the,  
22 you know, capability of the modeled drill rigs potential to  
23 emit. Go ahead, John.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: I'll wait till you're done.....

25 MR. THOMAS: Okay.

1 MR. KUTERBACH: .....to ask you a question about that.

2 MS. FEIGE: And just a question regarding the scenario for  
3 the collocated is did you take a look at a scenario where you  
4 had multiple rigs operating within a very near or would that  
5 approximate your collocated? I'm thinking about, you know,  
6 multiple rigs, say three to five rigs working in maybe a, you  
7 know, three mile by eight mile area.

8 MR. THOMAS: What we did was we modeled all the emissions  
9 coming out of stacks that are side by side which was.....

10 MS. FEIGE: Okay.

11 MR. THOMAS: .....which inflated or concentrated impacts.

12 MS. FEIGE: Okay.

13 MR. THOMAS: So the impacts I think will be lower if you  
14 spread the.....

15 MS. FEIGE: Yeah.

16 MR. THOMAS: .....activity out over larger areas. Right?

17 MS. HUFF: Yeah. And I -- well, I think also we used  
18 different background for the different -- used the higher.....

19 MR. THOMAS: For collocated pad use.....

20 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

21 MR. THOMAS: .....we used background data collected.

22 MS. HUFF: So you're accounting for those other sources  
23 nearby which I think is what you were talking about.....

24 MS. FEIGE: Yeah. Right, exactly.

25 MS. HUFF: .....would be accounted for in the background.



1 MS. FEIGE: Okay.

2 MS. HUFF: And the background was higher for the  
3 collocated which is why the fuel use was lower.

4 MS. FEIGE: Yeah.

5 MR. THOMAS: Right.

6 MS. FEIGE: (Indiscernible) correct. Okay. Thank you.

7 MR. THOMAS: The second to last bullet point I actually  
8 took out of the slide deck that we.....

9 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

10 MR. THOMAS: .....wanted to present.

11 MS. KOCH: Just so -- on.....

12 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: It's on the print copy.

13 MS. KOCH: .....the print process I would -- process wise  
14 the copies that are back here and the copies that are in the  
15 pink folder are correct.

16 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Okay.

17 MS. KOCH: So that is -- so if you wanted to look at that  
18 one. And we'll make sure whatever is posted on the website.....

19 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

20 MS. KOCH: .....gets corrected to.....

21 MS. HUFF: This should be the corrected one. It could  
22 just be me. I.....

23 MR. THOMAS: So we -- the ozone that we modeled was  
24 appropriate for the North Slope. It's -- the ozone, just for  
25 background, it's important because when a combustion device

1 emits NOX, N-O-X, it's a combination of NO and NO<sub>2</sub>. What we're  
2 concerned about is NO<sub>2</sub> impacts and how much NO<sub>2</sub> we get from the  
3 NO that's emitted depends on how much ozone's present to do that  
4 conversion.

5 So -- and lastly, and this gets at what Randy was talking  
6 about earlier, on our drill rig we had all of the units  
7 operating simultaneously in the model and that's not something  
8 that's typical.

9 So the modeling that was conducted is robust, conservative  
10 and we think should be broadly applied to cover all the rigs in  
11 the state.

12 MS. KOCH: So Dea, before you advance the slide. I'm  
13 going to run this just the way we did with Dea's because you  
14 also have a lot of information. So I want to take a pause and  
15 see if anybody has questions on this slide.

16 MR. THOMAS: John had a question.

17 MS. KOCH: John.

18 MR. KUTERBACH: So you have fuel use modeled exceeds drill  
19 rig PTE.

20 MR. THOMAS: We.....

21 MR. KUTERBACH: So, in other words, a drill rig can't do  
22 10,000 gallons a day? I don't understand what that means.

23 MR. THOMAS: There's actually -- there's going to be a  
24 slide that we get to that.

25 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

1 MR. THOMAS: If you can hold that thought. In short  
2 though the answer to your question is yeah, we modeled more than  
3 what a drill rig can actually do. So you can go to the next  
4 slide.

5 MS. KOCH: Before you go to the next slide I actually have  
6 a.....

7 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

8 MS. KOCH: .....a question on the second bullet, the  
9 background double counts drill rig sources and includes other  
10 sources. So when you were describing those other sources, those  
11 are -- those -- are those other sources typical normal  
12 operations?

13 MR. THOMAS: Well, it's also well servicing activities  
14 that might go along with the drilling activity. It's the --  
15 it's just all the activity on a pad that goes around -- that  
16 goes on around a drill rig when it's there. Because when a  
17 drill rig's on a pad that's not the only thing there. There's a  
18 lot of stuff that goes on. And well fracturing goes on at the  
19 same time drilling occurs. Well servicing with wire line, slick  
20 line units can go on while a drill rig's there. So it -- the  
21 background did capture all that stuff.

22 MS. KOCH: Okay. Any other questions before -- from the  
23 workgroup members before the next slide?

24 MR. THOMAS: This is the background data that was  
25 collected at the A pad and A pad is the background data that was

1 used to add to the model output for an isolated pad. And  
2 isolated pads are 90 plus percent of the pads on the North  
3 Slope. Probably more than 90 plus percent. But you can see  
4 that the NO<sub>2</sub> that was measured on an hourly basis at A pad  
5 typically stays around -- you know, in the 10 to 20 part per  
6 billion range. But what's noteworthy on this is that there are  
7 a lot of spikes indicating that there's a lot of activity on  
8 that pad. And what we know based on the short amount of work  
9 that we performed to figure it out, those red areas are where  
10 drilling activities were occurring and that's why we had the  
11 spikes. And Tom, do those red areas also include well servicing  
12 activities? That's a question.

13 MR. DAMIANA: All's we really know about the red areas is  
14 that was a drilling event on the pad. So if they were doing  
15 some sort of well servicing activity as part of that to complete  
16 the well then it would, but.....

17 MR. THOMAS: Okay.

18 MR. DAMIANA: .....we don't know that.

19 MR. THOMAS: So this exemplifies what I said earlier, that  
20 the background data that was added to the model output also  
21 includes measurements collected when a drill rig was on a pad.  
22 So this is where the double counting is occurring because all  
23 that data was used in the model. We didn't try to back out the  
24 drill rig data. So I'll pause there and anybody.....

25 MS. HUFF: While we pause, I actually have your old --

1 somehow it did not get transferred, so the next slide's not --  
2 so I'm just going to go out and get your new updated from the  
3 (indiscernible).

4 MR. THOMAS: Okay. Okay. Yeah, we actually made an ozone  
5 error.

6 MS. HUFF: Just give me one second. Sorry about that. It  
7 was a last minute error.

8 MR. THOMAS: We made an error with our ozones. We had to  
9 take those slides out, so.

10 MS. HUFF: What's the -- I know what I'll do. I can just  
11 go to the website.

12 MS. KOCH: This may be a good cookie break for anyone.

13 MS. HUFF: Sorry. I just don't want to show any  
14 (indiscernible) information and then.....

15 MS. KOCH: We need the right presentation.

16 THE REPORTER: What is the last name of Tom on the phone?

17 MR. THOMAS: Tom Damiana, D-a-m-i-a-n-a

18 THE REPORTER: Thank you very much.

19 MS. HUFF: Still the old one. 2:30 p.m. Okay. Rebecca,  
20 where is the drill rig website?

21 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: You can get to it from the  
22 (indiscernible).

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible).

24 MS. SMITH: Let's see. Go to -- go not to our intranet.  
25 Go to.....

1 MS. HUFF: (Indiscernible).

2 MS. SMITH: .....go to air quality.

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: You want to check your  
4 (indiscernible)?

5 MS. SMITH: But it'll work -- go to workgroup right there.  
6 You were just on it.

7 MS. KOCH: Tom is leading her there.

8 MS. SMITH: Click on the main workgroup page for  
9 additional information. That link right -- just right there.  
10 Yeah. And then it's under the documents for today's date.  
11 Scroll down a little. That one right there.

12 MS. HUFF: Sorry about that. I just don't want to show  
13 the wrong info.

14 MS. SMITH: There you go. And -- yeah, (indiscernible).

15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: It's not on the screen.

16 MS. HUFF: Oh. Let's see. Because it's not  
17 (indiscernible).

18 MS. SMITH: PDF, so you'll just probably have to scroll.

19 MS. HUFF: Yeah, it's just not up on our.....

20 (Whispered conversation)

21 MS. SMITH: Dea, do you want me to send you the PDF?

22 MS. HUFF: No, we got it. This is something else.

23 MS. SMITH: And you have the -- not the PDF, the  
24 PowerPoint?

25 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: No, we got it.

1 MS. SMITH: That's PDF on the web page.

2 MS. HUFF: I was just trying to.....

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible) access to Outlook.

4 You.....

5 MS. KOCH: Hold on. Hold on just a second. We're having  
6 a weird feedback, so let's work through that.

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible) the feedback.

8 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I have no idea what that is.

9 (Whispered conversation)

10 MS. KOCH: If someone has a cell phone next to the phone  
11 when they're calling in maybe move your cell phone.

12 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Okay.

13 MR. THOMAS: Sounds like it went away.

14 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Got it.

15 MR. THOMAS: All right.

16 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: We're good.

17 MR. THOMAS: Okay. To continue, the next slide, slide  
18 four in the handouts. This too is a cartoon. It's not meant to  
19 depict anything really. It's just to show a concept. When a  
20 drill rig operates and the red line is to -- meant to depict a  
21 drill rig's actual operation it fluctuates in power demand over  
22 time and that's what the red line shows. But when we actually  
23 modeled the rig, which is what the green line shows, we had it  
24 running flat out at maximum for the times that it was being  
25 modeled. But in reality it's going to fluctuate over time up

1 and down in the power demand. That's what this is meant to  
2 convey. And again, in the title you can see that it was modeled  
3 20 percent beyond the potential to emit of the rig. So the  
4 emissions modeled were very conservative.

5 MS. KOCH: Okay. Before we advance does anyone have a  
6 question on this slide? John.

7 MR. KUTERBACH: So potential to emit is all sources  
8 operating full out, that's the maximum emissions they could  
9 have.

10 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

11 MR. KUTERBACH: He's nodding his head.

12 MR. THOMAS: Yes. Yes.

13 MR. KUTERBACH: For the record.

14 MR. THOMAS: You can go on. Yeah. This next slide gets  
15 at the pad size and it's a depiction of the pad size modeled  
16 compared to real pads on the North Slope. And the pad that's  
17 closest in size to what was modeled in this case is drill site  
18 3-S there on the top row, second from the left. But if you  
19 compare it to pad sizes in Kuparuk and Prudhoe Bay you can see  
20 that the pad that we modeled is considerably, sometimes, you  
21 know, a fourth the size. It's considerably smaller. Go ahead.

22 MS. KOCH: Seeing no questions? No.

23 MR. THOMAS: And this, John, gets at the modeled amount of  
24 emissions. We had the representative drill rig there on the  
25 left in that table and the PTE for that would be about 12,000



1 gallons a day. So we just added the 20 percent to that to  
2 arrive at that 14,700 gallons per day. So we modeled quite a  
3 bit more, so a lot more horsepower.

4 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay. I understand that. I understand  
5 that. Is the modeled amount greater than the PTE of any of  
6 those 22 drill rigs that actually exist, or it's just greater  
7 than the modeled drill rig?

8 MR. THOMAS: Tom has spent more time looking at that data,  
9 so I'll punt that question to him. Did you hear that question,  
10 Tom?

11 MR. DAMIANA: I did. I think that what we put on the  
12 bottom panels there are the distribution of inventories that are  
13 out there. I'm going to say that of those 25 drill rigs I would  
14 guess that the amount of fuel use, that 12,000 kilo gallons, is  
15 probably very close to the PTE. I doubt there are any out there  
16 that are much bigger than that. What we've kind of done, and I  
17 think those four panels depict it, is we plotted up in histogram  
18 form there the various emission units from among I guess 22 rigs  
19 in this case. And you can see that in the upper left histogram  
20 we're talking about.....

21 MS. KOCH: Tom, can you pause for just a minute? Dea, is  
22 it -- when you're mentioning the histograms these are very small  
23 on our screen. I just want to see if -- is there a way to zoom  
24 in so we can follow along with what you're talking about, Tom?

25 MR. THOMAS: Well, and also while you're doing that, Tom,

1 I might be able to short circuit this by answering John's  
2 question a little bit differently. There was a reason why we  
3 did this. You know, we do -- we did model more than the PTE of  
4 a single rig, but we want to account for dual rig operations,  
5 for example.

6 MR. KUTERBACH: Oh, okay.

7 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Right.

8 MR. THOMAS: Because there are times when there's two rigs  
9 working on a pad at the same time.

10 MR. KUTERBACH: So it's greater than the PTE of one  
11 rig.....

12 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

13 MR. KUTERBACH: .....but not greater than the PTE of the  
14 rigs that might be at a site.

15 MR. THOMAS: Correct.

16 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay. Thank you.

17 MS. EDWARDS: Can I ask a question?

18 MS. KOCH: Yeah. Former workgroup member.

19 MS. EDWARDS: I was just wondering on the 22 rigs, how  
20 variable are the gram -- the specifications of those rigs? I  
21 mean because we're looking at sort of a representative rig. I'm  
22 just wondering was there a lot of variability in those 22 rigs  
23 that you looked at as far as the different parameters that feed  
24 into the model?

25 MR. THOMAS: It's part of the back and forth to land on

1 the modeling assumptions. That was actually objectively looked  
2 at. So Dea, do you handle that?

3 MS. HUFF: Yeah. We just looked at it the other day.  
4 Alan sent the parameters of where we're at, Alan, for the stack  
5 heights.

6 MS. EDWARDS: I just wondered if there were outlying  
7 outliers regarding even the 22 rigs that might.....

8 MS. HUFF: We're not -- it's not.....

9 MS. EDWARDS: .....change how your model came out.

10 MS. HUFF: I think it's somewhere in the middle.

11 MS. EDWARDS: I was just curious where the details.

12 MS. KOCH: It sounds like, Alan, you were going to pipe up  
13 there?

14 MR. SCHULER: Yeah, I was just going to say that we  
15 weren't looking at the history. We were looking at the stack  
16 parameters. But this gets into the 22 rigs which is a larger  
17 survey and from what I remember looking at that from a year ago  
18 there is a wide variety of rigs out there for both heights of  
19 units and count and capacity. In that 22 pool. And I don't  
20 know -- you know, the -- I don't know if it encompasses all rigs  
21 either. I know BP has the Liberty rig that they had made that  
22 was a monster rig which went belly up later on. So I can't say  
23 22 rigs encompasses everything that's ever happened on the  
24 Slope, but there is a wide variety within that pool, if that  
25 helps.

1 MR. DAMIANA: Well, I think that -- this is Tom Damiana.  
2 That the panels that are kind of hard to see do depict that  
3 variability.

4 MS. KOCH: Dea, is there any way to make these bigger?

5 MS. HUFF: It's a PDF, not a PowerPoint.

6 MS. KOCH: Okay.

7 MR. KUTERBACH: Hold down the control key and see if you  
8 can scroll up on the touch pad.

9 MS. HUFF: You should just be able to make the whole --  
10 I'm just trying to see if we can get rid of that  
11 (indiscernible).

12 MS. KOCH: Oh, and I forgot, you're pulling it off the  
13 web, so you probably can't (indiscernible).

14 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

15 MR. TURNER: Yeah, it's just a -- it's a PDF.

16 MS. KOCH: Okay.

17 MR. TURNER: So she has limited capabilities of playing  
18 with it.

19 MS. HUFF: I have.

20 MR. DAMIANA: Well, I guess I can kind of summarize. I  
21 mean there -- what those histograms show is that, you know, in  
22 terms of the primary engines there's anywhere from 2,000  
23 horsepower on a rig, you know, up into the 8,000 horsepower  
24 range with, you know, the bulk of it being in the 4,000  
25 horsepower range. And so there is quite a lot of variability

1 and in building the what we would say conservatively  
2 representative or typical rig we took kind of a -- not a worst  
3 case, but a conservative number from each of those rigs. So the  
4 rig that we ended up with is probably -- it's got more heat on  
5 it and more horsepower than, you know, most of the rigs. The  
6 lower panel shows the heaters and it -- you know, the heater  
7 boiler capacity on the rig's anywhere from 10 million BP per  
8 hour on up to 22. So there is quite a lot of variability.

9 MS. KOCH: John.

10 MR. KUTERBACH: Yeah, I'm just trying to get my head  
11 wrapped around the -- kind of the conservativeness of it. It  
12 sounds like the modeling is conservative for a single rig.  
13 Right? Because obviously it's greater than and we used these  
14 factors where for an individual rig it may be on the more  
15 conservative side, but not necessarily for multiple rig. If  
16 you're going to have two on a site it would cover it, but  
17 wouldn't necessarily be as conservative as it is for a single  
18 rig.

19 MR. THOMAS: Well, except that the daily fuel volumes that  
20 we propose as nominal amounts, we would apply those on a per pad  
21 basis. So if you had two rigs on a pad I think the modeling  
22 output is conservative because you're spreading out the impacts  
23 where the model has them all concentrated from, you know, very  
24 nearby sources. But by -- if we model the rigs, you know,  
25 multiple rigs spread out I think the impacts apply actually

1 being no greater at all, maybe a little.

2 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay. Okay. Well, I see that and, yeah,  
3 that is a conservative factor. I agree with you on that. I'm  
4 not so sure that the fact that you're greater than the PTE of  
5 one rig is a conservative factor when you're dealing with  
6 multiple rigs. That's a (indiscernible).

7 MR. THOMAS: That's fair enough. Yeah, that's fair  
8 enough. But our intent would be to not extend the daily fuel  
9 volumes any more than what's presented here. They would stay  
10 there.

11 MR. DAMIANA: Well, and I guess -- this is Tom Damiana  
12 again. I would highlight that what makes it conservative within  
13 the boundaries of the fuel limits is that if that fuel limit was  
14 burned by two rigs we modeled it with those two rigs on top of  
15 each other. In reality the two rigs would be separated. That's  
16 where a piece of the conservatism comes in.

17 MS. KOCH: But would that -- a clarifying question. Would  
18 the fuel values that were in Dea's presentation, so say the  
19 10,700 for the most conservative situation, that would be the  
20 total gallons that you're talking about per pad. So if you had  
21 two rigs it's not that you have two rigs that are each using  
22 10,700 per (indiscernible).

23 MR. THOMAS: Then they'd both be limited to that.

24 MS. KOCH: They'd be sharing that.....

25 MR. THOMAS: Right.

1 MS. KOCH: .....that cumulative total.

2 MR. THOMAS: Right.

3 MS. KOCH: Okay.

4 MR. DAMIANA: Yeah, and in (indiscernible) we would have  
5 models of two rigs situation and we'd have put a reasonable  
6 separation between those rigs. We -- that number could have  
7 gone up. So that is a conservative piece of this.

8 MS. KOCH: Any other questions on this slide or does  
9 anyone want to see any of the other histograms? Just Dea, maybe  
10 if you could show the ones on the right, see if anyone -- now  
11 that they're visible if anyone has any questions about those.  
12 Okay, seeing none.

13 MR. THOMAS: Okay. Move on to the next one which is the  
14 Word document.

15 MS. HUFF: Okay.

16 MR. THOMAS: So what I did just to get us started and  
17 thinking about what we think a drill rig regulatory program  
18 would look like within the air program. I went ahead and cut  
19 and pasted 18 AAC 50.502 into a Word document and added a  
20 paragraph. I just called it 18 AAC 50.502(d). And that may not  
21 be the right letter to pick, but when Dea pulls it up you can  
22 see how conceptually, you know, we see the program looking on  
23 the basis of all this technical work. And I -- so when you look  
24 at this, you know, conceptual feedback is welcome. I don't  
25 anticipate -- I mean I do anticipate that there's going to be

1 tweaking of this language, that DEC's going to have to make it,  
2 you know, work for everybody. But this is just in concept what  
3 we see it looking like. So we don't have to spend time talking  
4 about the details, but I'd rather hear feedback on the concept.

5 MS. KOCH: Can you maybe walk us through this?

6 MR. THOMAS: Yeah. So if you can.....

7 MS. KOCH: Maybe not everyone's read it already.

8 MS. HUFF: I'm going to try to get all of -- this is a --  
9 let me get one view.

10 MR. THOMAS: There you go.

11 MS. HUFF: This and I can move this up and kind of  
12 (indiscernible).

13 MR. THOMAS: So the existing 502(c)(2) which requires that  
14 -- if you could scroll up a little bit, Dea.

15 MS. HUFF: Okay.

16 MR. THOMAS: The existing 502(c)(2) require -- this is the  
17 paragraph that requires drill rigs to get a permit. So I just  
18 added -- you know, we don't propose to change that. That's  
19 going to stay there as an option, but by adding this exception  
20 provided by paragraph D we're just drafting the regulations to  
21 provide another option to getting a minor Title V permit. So  
22 then you can drop down into the paragraph D. So what I've  
23 drafted here are some pretty critical modeling assumptions.  
24 Ultra-low sulfur diesel in the engines, fuel sulfur limited to  
25 .15 percent in heaters and boilers. The vertical and cap stacks



1 -- vertical and uncapped stacks, I'm sorry. And then paragraph  
2 three would be the nominal daily fuel volumes for the North  
3 Slope drill rigs. And that's exactly the same numbers that Dea  
4 had in her presentation. And then paragraph four would be --  
5 that's my attempt to translate the excursions into regulatory  
6 language.

7 MS. HUFF: And that is 20 percent.

8 MR. THOMAS: Yes.

9 MS. HUFF: For everyone, that's switching back and forth,  
10 one and five.

11 MR. THOMAS: So it's -- so we have it so that we can go up  
12 to -- let's use the collocated pad example. You can go up to  
13 13,375 gallons per day once each five calendar operating days,  
14 but you can never exceed 73 days in a year doing that. Seventy-  
15 three days in a year is of course 20 percent of the year. But  
16 we broke it down to, you know, operating days to make it I think  
17 workable. And I also added a paragraph -- you know, if you  
18 operate 24 days instead of 25 I added a paragraph that says down  
19 here in paragraph D which is on the next page. You would just,  
20 you know, round up to the next number that's a factor of five  
21 and that's the number of excursions you get. But again, you  
22 can't exceed 73 in a year.

23 MS. HUFF: And 73 is 20 percent.

24 MR. THOMAS: Seventy-three is 20 percent.

25 MS. KOCH: Tom.

1 MR. TURNER: So from a reg standpoint you get -- and I'm  
2 thinking jumping ahead of what the compliance people would do.  
3 You would get one exceedance to these limits of A through D.....

4 MR. THOMAS: Correct.

5 MR. TURNER: .....every five days.

6 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

7 MR. TURNER: And then you'll only get -- you get 73 of  
8 those a year.

9 MR. THOMAS: That's right. So it's a combination of  
10 two.....

11 MR. TURNER: Yeah.

12 MR. THOMAS: .....one per five and then no more than 73 in  
13 a year.

14 MR. TURNER: Okay. Up to 73 a year then.

15 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, exactly. Exactly.

16 MR. TURNER: Okay.

17 MS. KOCH: And would those be consecutive days, so you  
18 couldn't say in a 10 day period have just a nine and 10 being  
19 the excursion?

20 MR. THOMAS: I think you could. I don't know, do you --  
21 I'm not sure if that matters, does it?

22 MS. HUFF: It's -- probabilistically I don't know.

23 MR. TURNER: That's not how the reg would read.

24 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

25 MR. THOMAS: That's not how it's drafted.

1 MR. TURNER: The way it's drafted is you only get.....

2 MS. KOCH: Okay.

3 MR. TURNER: .....you get one every five. If you want two  
4 days -- I mean 10 days and add two at the end you would not be  
5 in compliance.

6 MS. KOCH: And that's the way (indiscernible).

7 MR. THOMAS: Oh, actually yeah -- no, yeah, you're right,  
8 it's one in five.

9 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: (Indiscernible).

10 MR. THOMAS: One in five, not one in 10. I'm sorry.  
11 So.....

12 MR. KINDRED: So if we're taking this approach you're  
13 saying that the way this is articulated if some jet operator who  
14 didn't have any excursions days one through eight and then had  
15 two back to back he would be in violation of how this is  
16 articulated.

17 MR. THOMAS: That's the way it's worded right now.

18 MS. KOCH: That's the way it reads to me. That's why I  
19 was asking that question.

20 MR. THOMAS: That's the way it's worded right now. And  
21 that's -- and like I said, this is my attempt banging on a  
22 keyboard on one -- you know, one afternoon. So this language  
23 could and should be refined.

24 MS. KOCH: And I appreciate that it's a Strawman and.....

25 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

1 MS. KOCH: .....this is a good springboard for.....

2 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

3 MS. KOCH: .....the discussion.

4 MR. KINDRED: And Brad, from a practical standpoint is it  
5 likely that you're going to see excursions bunched together, or  
6 are they really sort of random occurrences?

7 MR. THOMAS: They're going to be random occurrences and  
8 because they're random it's kind of hard to predict how they'd  
9 happen, but I think they're going to be also unlikely. But  
10 because we can't predict the future that's why we want them  
11 there. And I don't know if, Denise, we can let Randy or John or  
12 Mike say anything about that, but these fuel volumes are robust  
13 based on what we know. And.....

14 MS. KOCH: So Randy, did you want to speak to that?

15 MR. THOMAS: .....(indiscernible) go over those.

16 MR. KANADY: Yeah, I mean we've looked at historical fuel  
17 use of drill rigs, you know, pretty hard and it's -- what did we  
18 have, like one excursion? I think it was out of Point Thompson  
19 that were at 7,000 a day or 8,000 a day was the highest.

20 MR. THOMAS: I think at like nine, 10 or 11.

21 MR. KANADY: Yeah, that was the only one that was, you  
22 know, that high and most of them typically in the 2,000 to 3,000  
23 range.

24 MS. KOCH: So that -- in that example that excursion in  
25 the nine -- 7,000 to 9,000 range is even below (indiscernible).

1 MR. THOMAS: Well, I think -- the number 11,000 comes to  
2 mind to me. I think.....

3 MS. KOCH: Okay.

4 MR. THOMAS: .....(indiscernible) 11,000.

5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Yeah.

6 MR. THOMAS: Is that no?

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: That seems (indiscernible).

8 MR. THOMAS: Out at Point Thompson?

9 MR. NEASON: That was all right. That's pretty excessive.

10 MR. THOMAS: Okay. Well, there you go. But we got up  
11 there. Maybe not over, but we got up there.

12 MS. HUFF: And Point Thompson is an example of a?

13 MR. THOMAS: Collocated pad.

14 MS. KOCH: And I realize that this is a springboard for  
15 sort of questioning and I only read this on the plane for a  
16 short period of time, so it's a quick analysis. But my -- one  
17 thing that leaped to my mind is, well -- because I also have to  
18 think how we're going to implement this and how we would  
19 determine compliance with this sort of regulatory regime. And I  
20 see that in seven I think you start addressing that in terms of  
21 the monitoring and recordkeeping concept and the ability for DEC  
22 to review that information upon request. But my more  
23 fundamental question is how are we -- how would DEC even know  
24 who to request that information from -- you know, since --  
25 versus in a general permit sort of situation. When you have a

1 general permit someone applies for coverage under that general  
2 permit. Even if it's a simple, you know, notice of intent DEC  
3 then knows who's in the universe so that we could go back and we  
4 could potentially request these records. I wasn't sure if you  
5 had any thoughts about how to.....

6 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

7 MS. KOCH: .....that sort of concept.

8 MR. THOMAS: I don't think there's anybody who conducts  
9 drilling operations in Alaska that does not have a permit,  
10 either Title V, minor stationary source or PSD. I think all the  
11 operators of drill rigs -- well, but not the operators. That's  
12 not the right word. All the people who deploy drill rigs under  
13 contract have permits and those would be the people that have to  
14 keep these records is what I'm thinking. So if an inspector  
15 came to CPF-1 in Kuparuk, for example, they have the expectation  
16 that we have the records of the drilling activities that  
17 occurred from the previous year and they can ask us  
18 (indiscernible) and they can review them. I'm not sure if that  
19 answers your question, but everybody who drills I think has --  
20 they're in the Adak air permitting program and in one of those  
21 three permitting venues. I don't know of anybody who's not.

22 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, we wouldn't know of them either.

23 MS. KOCH: That's the question.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Because they don't have a permit.

25 MS. KOCH: Yeah.

1 MR. THOMAS: The only ones who wouldn't -- I guess that's  
2 a fair question because the ones who wouldn't might be the  
3 exploratory programs like maybe Fury comes to mind. Yeah, that  
4 -- we'd have to address that.

5 MS. KOCH: Who -- my concept is we need to know who's in  
6 the universe.

7 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, I agree.

8 MR. BROWER: See, to me if you're going to propose, you  
9 know, changes that was based on the number of gallons in  
10 exceedance you would want to put some sort of mandatory  
11 compliance measures that -- there are certain things that the  
12 industry provides the Borough on a monthly basis, other things  
13 that they just come in and they're reviewed for compliance and  
14 then placed into the database for that particular unit. It  
15 seems to me you could make it a mandatory process. Say you went  
16 through a registration process to do something like this. At a  
17 minimum you would have to have -- you wouldn't be out there  
18 seeking for that information I would think. I would think you  
19 would make it a mandatory requirement.....

20 MS. KOCH: I agree.

21 MR. BROWER: .....for the period of time that it's  
22 operating that the data consumption rates.....

23 MR. THOMAS: Are you thinking like an annual notification  
24 you're going to use this part of the program (indiscernible)?

25 MR. BROWER: It helps to -- and we do it for like the

1 wildlife department there's certain monitoring to build trends  
2 and data that's to back up needed modifications later on to  
3 something else. You build a trend and look at the data that  
4 develops it. It's a mandatory requirement for that operator to  
5 submit that data. And if the guys from the outset know that,  
6 hey, there's a different kind of a system and you're going to  
7 get a little bit more freedom here, but there's going to be  
8 little caveats come with it you're going to be required to bring  
9 to the table. And that might be your consumption rates if  
10 you're going through something like this. It's just, you know,  
11 trying to put two and two together.

12 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

13 MS. KOCH: John.

14 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, we're kind of drifting into the  
15 discussion of the options, which I don't know whether that was  
16 the intent at this point.

17 MS. KOCH: Yeah. So we knew that Brad was going to  
18 somewhat bridge from the technical into our.....

19 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

20 MS. KOCH: .....into our policy.

21 MR. KUTERBACH: So what Brad's done here is similar to  
22 what we had as a permit by rule. We had a permit by rule for  
23 drilling before we had the general permit for drilling. We --  
24 then we switched over when the statutes and the regulations  
25 changed requiring a permit and so then we had the minor permit



1 and we had the minor general permit. There may be some  
2 advantage going with either an official permit by rule  
3 designation or minor general permit designation in getting EPA  
4 approval of the mechanism. All right? Because right now our  
5 requirement that they get a permit is part of the SIP, but we  
6 have our flexibility in approving or not approving permits. The  
7 change we would be making is if you get -- say we made this a  
8 permit by rule. Well, then EPA would have -- that permit by  
9 rule would be adopted as part of our SIP. EPA would be able to  
10 approve or disapprove that permit by rule. If instead we had a  
11 general permit that we issued because we allow you to operate  
12 under a general permit the only adjustment we would make to our  
13 SIP is if you get a general permit you don't have to do the  
14 source specific permit stuff that the rules require. That may  
15 -- and we would have to discuss this with Dave Bray and the  
16 folks at EPA. The contents of that general permit would not  
17 necessarily come under EPA's scrutiny. I mean they would  
18 obviously be able to comment on it, but I don't know what  
19 they.....

20 MS. KOCH: Just more part of a regular public comment  
21 (indiscernible) permit.

22 MR. KUTERBACH: Right, I don't know whether they would  
23 have the authority to object to that permit since it's not the  
24 Title V permit. So that would be something for the options  
25 group to explore is, you know, looking at the way it is what

1 would require EPA review and approval and what wouldn't. And it  
2 may be different mechanisms would have different requirements  
3 for EPA.

4 MS. KOCH: And maybe at this point since we are shifting  
5 over to the policy discussion, which is fine and I think Brad's  
6 presentation was a good way to kind of bring us to that next  
7 point. Brad gave us a pretty specific example of some proposed  
8 language. I wanted to have an opportunity for the workgroup  
9 members, the main workgroup members, I wanted to go around the  
10 table and I wanted to at least pose this question to you and you  
11 could of course speak to also anything else that you want to.  
12 But does the workgroup -- in my reading of all the transcripts  
13 of the past workgroups there had been this options committee to  
14 start looking at some of this knitty gritty and some of what  
15 John is talking about and that group went on hold because they  
16 felt that there were technical questions that needed to be  
17 answered before the regulatory scheme sort of questions and  
18 changing the regulatory scheme questions could move forward.  
19 Does this group feel like they have enough technical information  
20 or they have the right answers to the technical questions to  
21 start moving forward on -- into more of the regulatory scheme  
22 sort of questions? Can we get to that next point?

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I think so.

24 MS. KOCH: Brad, do you want to -- I mean did you want  
25 to.....

1 MR. THOMAS: I think we have enough. I mean there's still  
2 technical work that has to be done, some reviews that have to be  
3 done, but those can be done in parallel and they can augment,  
4 you know, what the policy group or this broad working group is  
5 working on. But I think we have enough information we can start  
6 talking about policy options. You know, if the technical group  
7 agrees an approach like this is viable I think we can start  
8 talking about it.

9 MS. KOCH: Gordon.

10 MR. BROWER: Yeah, I think there's enough information and  
11 I -- my own point of views are, you know, it was a little skewed  
12 and I was thinking we're up in the arctic. The climate kind of  
13 dictates the amount of consumption because it's just so harsh.  
14 And the developing that's going on up there and looking at the  
15 data I kind of have an opinion formed in my mind that, you know,  
16 the modeling or the way that it's created here and its  
17 presentation that you'd probably never exceed these things.  
18 There's a lot of conservativeness in there and the drill rigs'  
19 consumption is overstated in some -- to a large extent in your  
20 exceedance and what -- the excursion model that you're not  
21 capable of going there.

22 MR. THOMAS: Well, just to add to that. The -- these  
23 volumes would be limiting for multiple drill rig operating  
24 scenarios on a pad.

25 MR. BROWER: Right, yeah.

1 MR. THOMAS: Single drill rig scenarios you're right,  
2 they're more than what a single rig could do, but if you've got  
3 a multiple rig operation on a pad, particularly when there's no  
4 high line power available, these numbers become limiting.

5 MR. BROWER: I certainly think there's enough information  
6 and I know there's still the need to try and evaluate, you know,  
7 Cook Inlet and other forums, but I think there's enough  
8 information to start to leading to maybe a robust style of what  
9 the approach should be with the information that's presented. I  
10 mean you've got an example here and, you know, there should be  
11 other examples presented so we have an opportunity to, you know,  
12 gauge the value and effectiveness of that.

13 MS. KOCH: Thank you. Joshua, your thoughts.

14 MR. KINDRED: Yeah, I guess -- I mean I think I agree with  
15 Brad at this point in time. Probably what we need from the  
16 technical subgroup is going to be supplemental and I imagine  
17 that we can gather it as we move along. But I think -- and Tom  
18 may disagree with me, but I think one -- you know, one of the  
19 issues that is probably going to be most important is our --  
20 probably articulating the excursions because I imagine that will  
21 be what will be the ultimate point of contention if we have a  
22 drill rig that has too many excursions. And one of the things  
23 that I'm having trouble wrapping my mind around given the  
24 presentation we had earlier today is it seems to me if when we  
25 did that modeling it was over -- correct me if I'm wrong, it's

1 an (indiscernible) over a three year span.

2 MS. HUFF: A standard.

3 MR. KINDRED: Yeah, it's the standard.

4 MS. HUFF: Three years.

5 MR. KINDRED: So intuitively it just seems like it  
6 wouldn't really matter if your excursions were grouped or not as  
7 far as violations. So I guess it's surprising to hear that we  
8 may have problems if you had excursions two days in a row.  
9 That's a minor point, but it's something that I imagine when  
10 we're going through drafting some regulatory language it may be  
11 important to be able to have that question answered. And I  
12 guess at the end of the day, you know, I think our goal or our  
13 endeavor should be to create a program that is as inclusive of  
14 traditional drill rig work or traditional activities on the  
15 North Slope as can be. And it's been reiterated time and time  
16 again that this -- these are conser -- this was a conservative  
17 approach. So I would go back to my former question which is how  
18 much malleability is there here, how much -- how do we address  
19 something that we didn't think of, whether it's a frack engine  
20 or something else. And if this is conservative enough would the  
21 technical group ever feel comfortable saying, well, we built in  
22 this cushion and certain activities could probably fall under  
23 that blanket. Now maybe that's my ignorance of the math here,  
24 but I think as much as we can we should try to create language  
25 that captures everything now and moving forward can we act

1 accordingly. So I guess -- but I don't know that that probably  
2 answers your question, but those are sort of some of my  
3 thoughts.

4 MS. KOCH: And just as a follow-up to your comments, Dea  
5 and Alan and Tom Damiana, do you think that -- I mean I agree  
6 with you. I think that we -- there -- even though there may be  
7 some outstanding technical questions we could probably start  
8 moving ahead with the regulatory regime. Dea and Alan and Tom  
9 Damiana, do you feel like you can continue on and maybe address  
10 the question of well servicing activities? I mean this seems  
11 like that's another point that you're bringing up and it just --  
12 it hasn't been evaluated in that context, but it sounds like  
13 it's something that could be -- I'm assuming it could be  
14 evaluated if that's something that you want included.

15 MS. HUFF: Yeah. I mean I think it could be evaluated.

16 MR. SCHULER: This is Alan. I think that's something we  
17 can look at. And I don't want to stand off and talk that we  
18 have to, you know, rule it out from everything that's been done.  
19 It's just that we need to think through that in some detail.  
20 And I know I have some questions on that of how you got in  
21 there. But I think it's something we can work through and it  
22 should hold up to, you know, what's happening at this point of  
23 how to fold in the compliance to date into some kind of a  
24 regulatory program.

25 MS. KOCH: Okay. Thank you. John Kuterbach.

1           MR. KUTERBACH: Okay. Well, I -- you know, I think we  
2 have enough technical reliance on what the data we have, what it  
3 actually represents with some conservativeness, but it's  
4 undefined conservative. I mean we don't know whether does this  
5 -- is this 10 percent conservative, is it 50 percent  
6 conservative. We just have a feel that we know it's in some way  
7 conservative because it's set out in two rigs that are spread  
8 out. We have them at the same location. All right? And the  
9 other conservative factor. So I'm a little leery of saying,  
10 well, you know, we have this kind of conservative slush fund and  
11 let's throw in other stuff that we haven't looked at in that  
12 conservative thing without knowing kind of the extent of how  
13 conservative the evaluation is. So I think we've got a good  
14 idea of this is what the data fully supports and then it's a  
15 matter of what are we comfortable with beyond that as far as --  
16 and I appreciate Brad making an attempt on the -- kind of the  
17 excursions and, yeah, the language doesn't really hit it right.  
18 But the idea there was you can't just say 73 days because it's  
19 really a certain period of the operating time that we were  
20 looking at. So we've got to get that operating concept and we  
21 have to do it appropriately. So I think as we work through some  
22 of these technical regulatory questions we may generate  
23 additional questions to the technical group saying we want to  
24 make this assumption, does the data support that assumption.

25           MR. THOMAS: That's good.

1 MR. KUTERBACH: Right?

2 MR. THOMAS: That's good.

3 MR. KUTERBACH: And so we would have to go back to  
4 the.....

5 MS. KOCH: So we're not going to disband -- I think your  
6 point is we're not going to disband the technical.....

7 MR. KUTERBACH: Right.

8 MS. KOCH: .....subcommittee because there may be  
9 subsequent technical questions that we'll have to task them  
10 with.

11 MR. KUTERBACH: Uh-huh (affirmative). And I think when we  
12 do bring in the policy group and really start talking to it I  
13 really urge us to bring an EPA representative into the group so  
14 that we can get some feedback on do they see this as a roadblock  
15 method. You know, is this going to take us 10 times the effort,  
16 can we have a small adjustment and make it easy. I think  
17 they'll be able to give us that kind of advice without, you  
18 know, unduly influencing how we proceed.

19 MR. THOMAS: You said something interesting a minute ago  
20 though that leads me to think that we should probably complete a  
21 step before we bring EPA into it and that step is do we need to  
22 develop a SIP amendment that requires their approval. I'm not  
23 sure we're there yet. Maybe we can do this within the existing  
24 SIP.

25 MR. KUTERBACH: It's -- I haven't looked at it in detail.



1 All right? We would have to look at the rules and see what  
2 would need to be changed. The one flaw in that ointment is that  
3 we are going beyond the EPA approved methods. All right? We  
4 got that alternative method that's going to need to get approved  
5 by EPA even if we go to group.

6 MR. THOMAS: That's true, right.

7 MR. KUTERBACH: But it wouldn't be a SIP approval. So, you  
8 know, we might be able to avoid the time delay that the SIP  
9 approval would give us, but we're not going to get EPA  
10 completely out of the mix.

11 MR. THOMAS: Right. But before we get EPA involved we  
12 just want to make that conclusion. We need to do the SIP  
13 amendment. Are you saying we should get them involved because  
14 of the modeling earlier?

15 MR. KUTERBACH: I don't have a problem with involving EPA  
16 early. I know when we talked two years ago there was a very  
17 large concern about having EPA at the table or even in the room  
18 when we did this kind of meeting. But I think there's some  
19 folks at EPA with long time experience, Dave Bray's a name that  
20 comes to mind, who could be very helpful in identifying, you  
21 know, well, gee, that's an -- been a national issue for EPA and  
22 if you go anywhere near that it's going to be a problem,  
23 whereas, you know, another method might be easier. So I would  
24 recommend that we at least have EPA, not to participate in the  
25 -- but as a resource for when we start talking about policy.

1 MS. KOCH: Okay. Corri, I wanted to get your thoughts.

2 MS. FEIGE: Sure. Well, and, you know, sort of being  
3 brand new to all of this and seeing the presentation of the  
4 technical data I like very much the fact that it's really going  
5 to touch on about 90 percent of the locations on the Slope and  
6 90 percent of the scenarios. So based upon that and then the  
7 technical data presented I'm very comfortable with where it all  
8 falls out. I do agree that we need to do some more definition  
9 work on what those -- you know, what defines our conservative  
10 parameters and sort of, you know, what the boundaries within our  
11 calculations have been. And I think if nothing else than just  
12 to pass on the red face test when we're having that discussion  
13 with EPA. I also like, given what we've seen here in some of  
14 the draft language, the idea that we could basically augment  
15 what's already there and any of the outliers in this like, you  
16 know, for example, looking to the future with big extended reach  
17 drilling rigs which will be kind of the next wave to come which  
18 will be much larger units. Or having, you know, multiple rigs  
19 on pads and in smaller areas, things of that nature. Those are  
20 kind of the outliers, but this catches the bulk of what's out  
21 there and I see it very nicely, you know, slipping into the  
22 existing regulatory program and possibly that permit by rule  
23 with the data submittal requirement on it for compliance and  
24 monitoring purposes or some sort of NOI process if it goes more  
25 of a general permit route would be pretty effective at getting

1 that data in DEC's hands.

2 MS. KOCH: Okay. Thank you. And I don't want to forget  
3 Mike Munger on the phone. Mike, I want to give you an  
4 opportunity to weigh in.

5 MR. MUNGER: Thanks. Listening through this I'm -- my  
6 question, you know, when you asked if the technical data is  
7 adequate enough to go forward, it seems to me that's -- from my  
8 perspective there's been a tremendous amount of work done and I  
9 applaud the efforts of the technical workgroup. Does the -- but  
10 it seems to me the question is does the DEC feel like there's  
11 adequate enough information to go forward. And I -- you know, I  
12 believe it was Mr. Kuterbach who brought it up that said we may  
13 occasionally go back to the technical workgroup. I -- that was  
14 kind of my understanding all along, that this will be -- there  
15 will be policy issues that will have to be kicked back to the  
16 technical workgroup for more clarification. But -- so I guess I  
17 pose the question back. Does the regulatory agency in this  
18 particular instance feel like there's enough information to go  
19 forward? Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

20 MS. KOCH: Okay. Well, I feel like there's enough  
21 technical information for us to at least consider this next  
22 question. You know, getting back to we had that options, there  
23 was this talk about an options group that would really do things  
24 like -- and I don't think there was a mission statement for that  
25 options group, but just conceptually that an options group could

1 do things like look at this sort of permit by rule language,  
2 actually work on it, make suggestions to it or even before  
3 looking at permit by rule specific language backing out and  
4 maybe more conceptually looking at before we get to this step,  
5 which is a little bit more specific, what are the benefits of a  
6 permit by rule approach versus a general permit approach and  
7 think about those -- that framework. Because there may be pros  
8 and cons that John brought up in terms of, you know, they may  
9 require extra -- something might have to require a SIP process  
10 or something might not and have that sort of discussion and then  
11 maybe after you have that sort of discussion then you hone in  
12 on, okay, well, we think -- what would an actual permit by rule  
13 look like, start looking at this language. What would a draft  
14 general permit look like? We'd get into those sort of  
15 questions. It does feel to me like we're probably ready to go  
16 to that next step and have an options group start working on  
17 those sort of questions.

18 MR. MUNGER: Thanks for that and I would tend to agree  
19 with you.

20 MS. KOCH: So that leads me to another question which is  
21 it was never clear to me in the past when there was this  
22 discussion conceptually about this options group that would do  
23 this sort of regulatory work what that options group would look  
24 like. Is that every single person on this main workgroup? Is  
25 it a smaller subset?

1 MR. THOMAS: We actually identified the people.

2 MS. KOCH: Okay.

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I think we did.

4 MR. THOMAS: Didn't we?

5 MR. KINDRED: I believe we did. I don't know if there's  
6 been significant changes since we did that, but we did have  
7 certain individuals tasked with options. Some were on  
8 technical, some were on both. But I don't think it was a  
9 lengthy process if we had to do it again.

10 MS. KOCH: John and Alice look like they may -- maybe they  
11 have recollection.

12 MS. EDWARDS: No, I was just going to say my recollection  
13 was that by the time we were all said and done that pretty much  
14 most everybody that was on the primary workgroup was on the  
15 options workgroup. And I think if I recall correctly back last  
16 spring or -- not last spring, but the prior spring when we sort  
17 of put it all on hold I think there was some question about  
18 whether we needed a separate group or not. And maybe because of  
19 the detail we're talking about we do, but I seem to recall that  
20 almost everybody was actively participating in the options  
21 group. And I'm -- and we had I think EPA providing some input  
22 to that group. But I don't recall that we had a huge -- that we  
23 were missing anybody from the table.

24 MS. KOCH: John.

25 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, two years ago when we were looking

1 at the options group we did not have it narrowed down as far as  
2 the technical data. We were still talking about the monitoring  
3 data and do we need to regulate drill rigs at all or can we just  
4 register them. Now that we have this we're really focusing in  
5 on a couple of options. Right? We're looking at regulations  
6 like this which could be supplemented or a general permit or  
7 maybe we could brainstorm another option. But my question is  
8 what would the options group actually do. So if what we really  
9 want is to take the options that have already been identified  
10 and flush them out a little more so people can, you know, kick  
11 the tires and slam the doors and see which one looks like it's  
12 going to run better then maybe that's what we ought to be  
13 focused on is the signing out, flushing out the details or  
14 answering certain questions such as what EPA process would be  
15 needed given the option. Can it be done without a SIP change  
16 and just get the model approval from EPA? Or -- you know, and  
17 understand the characteristics of the different options. Unless  
18 other folks think there -- that we should, you know, get  
19 together as an options group and brainstorm to see if there's  
20 anything other than these few options we've already identified I  
21 don't really see a need to convene an options group. Just use  
22 the workgroup and, you know, assign out the work.

23 MR. THOMAS: Well, there are options that -- I think it  
24 would be helpful if we could particularly get you to, you know,  
25 guide us on what's -- what are the pitfalls, what are the pros

1 and cons with this option. You know, what's involved, what's  
2 the work involved if we take this option? What's the scope and  
3 applicability of this option? What are the limitations of this  
4 option? Because, you know, I proposed language here that's --  
5 that in my mind is broadly applicable, but I'm not sure if  
6 you're on the same page. So, you know, laying all the options  
7 out on the table and then hearing from DEC pros, cons,  
8 limitations, scope, applicability would be very helpful to me.

9 MS. KOCH: And what I was thinking of when I heard the --  
10 about the concept of the options workgroup is that it really  
11 would be -- to me there's an analogy with what the technical  
12 workgroup is doing and that the technical workgroup is going and  
13 they have homework assignments, you know, and they are tasked  
14 with specific questions and they go and run the models and do  
15 all that sort of work. That to my mind those subgroups are  
16 smaller groups sometimes of the main group that actually lays  
17 out the -- does that work, does those tasks and then can come  
18 back and potentially -- one route is they could potentially  
19 report back to the main workgroup just the way the technical  
20 workgroup worked on -- you know, they had specific tasks that  
21 they worked through and they're going to have to -- they're  
22 meeting more regularly than we can have a formal workgroup  
23 meeting and then they come back and they report out to this  
24 group. That was one of the thoughts that I had of how it could  
25 take shape. John.

1 MR. KUTERBACH: I don't want to dominate any conversation.  
2 I want to know what the other folks. But I mean that is a good  
3 concept, but if everybody's on the workgroup we're not really  
4 getting a smaller focus workgroup to work on stuff.

5 MR. BROWER: I don't know if I'm going backwards here, but  
6 seems to me that we were -- had some dialogue some time ago,  
7 some -- about hearing what other oil producing states are doing  
8 to address that in their permitting world and look at the  
9 approach of -- it's similar to what we did with our revisions to  
10 Title 19, which still haven't made major strides on. But --  
11 well, we had tasked our attorneys and stuff to see what other  
12 coastal states are doing in terms of regulatory process or  
13 various different things and then tweak and suggest changes to  
14 our own program. And it's still a long lengthy process, but  
15 that was parts of different tasking of the people to bring in  
16 ideas that may already be a well greased machine.

17 MS. KOCH: Okay. Tom or John, since that predates me on  
18 this committee I did think that there had been other previous  
19 work products or presentations. A lot of time has elapsed.  
20 Maybe we could kind of bring that back.

21 MR. TURNER: Correct. What we looked at when we looked at  
22 the other states is how do they protect air quality. So, for  
23 example, in Wyoming they have extensive monitoring set up. In  
24 the case of Texas they have a similar I believe permit by rule.  
25 I'm going off memory. California was very -- they required tier



1 four engines. I mean they were just like just get the non-  
2 pollutant engines. So, you know, each state had a different  
3 approach. This is interesting language, so I'm just going to  
4 ask some obvious questions. We had a -- the technical group did  
5 work. The limits that we -- there was a concern about these  
6 spikes. Right? When you looked at the data the historical fuel  
7 usage was kind of low in comparison to what we were  
8 anticipating, but that historical fuel use is running around  
9 5,000 to 6,000. The technical evidence to the modeling shows  
10 that you can go up to 12, 13, 14. So that makes us in my mind  
11 as a reg writer goes, okay, we've got technical evidence now  
12 that says maybe that limit is a little bit lower than it should  
13 be, we can maybe go up with the limit. The big question is what  
14 to do with this 18,000 gallons. And it looks like we could do  
15 these exceedance. I'm going to call them that. You've got ways  
16 that the exceedance can be limited down, which I think you may  
17 look at. But I'm going to go off of what John's saying. Just,  
18 well, if I go off what John's saying it's like could you write a  
19 reg that you could fit -- that does require some change, but we  
20 have to get the modeling and the technical data approved, or  
21 could you actually -- do we really need to go back and come up  
22 with something else?

23 MS. KOCH: John.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay. I want to refocus back because  
25 Gordon had a good point. That one of the tasks that we may want

1 to look at is what other states are doing and the question to  
2 you from Denise was do we already have that in some form. And I  
3 know we did some work looking at how they regulate drill rigs,  
4 but it was a little bit apples and oranges because they're more  
5 focused on areas that don't comply with ambient air quality like  
6 Wyoming which has modeling and stuff. Whereas we're trying to  
7 protect degradation of air quality, you know, prevent a problem  
8 in an attainment area. And yeah, we may be more strict than  
9 some of those other states. I don't know whether -- and this is  
10 for the workgroup. Do we want to have that to see whether or  
11 not this is needed? You know, if there's other solutions that  
12 other states have come up with, do we want to have that as one  
13 of the tasks that this policy workgroup should go into as well  
14 as narrowing down on particular regulatory options.

15 MR. THOMAS: Yeah. To weigh in on that, we did look at  
16 the -- extensively how other states regulate drilling activities  
17 and what we found is that most states have regulations that  
18 apply to wells when they go into production. But outside of  
19 California I don't recall finding a state that has permitting  
20 requirements for drill rigs. California has pretty stride  
21 requirements, but they have a lot of those on nonattainment.  
22 They've got -- they're regulatory strict in a lot of ways. So  
23 Alaska is outside of California the most stringent.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, being clear here, Alaska's using  
25 permitting through -- as part of our implementation plan. Other

1 states have implementation plans and they may have found that in  
2 their particular situation the drill rigs were of less concern  
3 than another source and they put their focus on another source.

4 MR. THOMAS: Sure, sure. Sure.

5 MR. KUTERBACH: So, you know, I don't know how comparable  
6 it would be.

7 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, there's going to be inequities with  
8 each state. But, you know, you look at Texas, Oklahoma, North  
9 Dakota, Colorado, you know, the drilling activities aren't the  
10 focus of the air programs. The drill rigs just drill without  
11 having air permits.

12 MR. KUTERBACH: I know Col -- yeah, you mentioned Col --  
13 Colorado is focused more on the VOC.....

14 MR. THOMAS: Correct.

15 MR. KUTERBACH: .....because they have an ozone problem.

16 MR. THOMAS: Right.

17 MS. FEIGE: Same in North Dakota with shale and.....

18 MR. THOMAS: Right.

19 MS. FEIGE: .....rig intensities, there are just none?

20 MR. THOMAS: Right. So that's why, you know, early on we  
21 made the proposal. We brought all the ambient air quality data  
22 to bear and proposed that that be used to drive comfort that  
23 there's no threat to ambient air quality standards and that  
24 drill rigs should therefore just be moved out of the drill rig  
25 permitting program for the technical groups, that we can't

1 extend that to cover all scenarios which is how we ended up  
2 here.

3 MS. KOCH: So I'm wondering if one way to move forward is  
4 if we approach this from what are the questions that we would  
5 want, what sort of regulatory scheme questions do we have that  
6 we need to get answered. And once maybe we hone in on those  
7 then we could identify who is on that committee, is it everyone  
8 or do we need people outside of this committee. But maybe one  
9 approach is we figure out what are the questions that we want  
10 answered, what's the charge of that group and then we could --  
11 then we can staff it appropriately.

12 MR. BROWER: I have one.....

13 MS. SMITH: Denise, this is Rebecca in Juneau. We did do  
14 some work. The DEC presentation from August 22nd, 2013, which  
15 is on the webpage does have some of the results of some of the  
16 research that was done into other states.

17 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, there actually -- there should be two  
18 presentations.

19 MR. TURNER: Yeah, there's two. It's all there.

20 MS. KOCH: Thank you, Rebecca. That's what I was  
21 thinking. That could be a good place to start.

22 MS. SMITH: The other thing is I do have a list of who was  
23 at one point or another indicated to be on the options subgroup  
24 if that's helpful for me to read through for anyone.

25 MS. KOCH: Yeah, could you read through that please?

1 MS. SMITH: Yeah. We have Dave Bray from EPA, Bill Britt,  
2 Hilcorp. Alison Cooke and Robin have been put on that list  
3 because Alejandra used to be on that list. Corri substituted  
4 for Bill. John Hellen, Josh Kindred, you, Denise, John  
5 Kuterbach, Mike Munger, John Neason, Mike Peters, Brad Thomas  
6 and then Tom Turner as our.....

7 MS. KOCH: Brad just said -- it may not have been able to  
8 get picked up on, but Brad said that's a big group and you kind  
9 of stole the words right out of my mouth.

10 MS. SMITH: It is a big group.

11 MS. KOCH: I mean in terms of -- I think that there's.....

12 MR. KUTERBACH: I think that was a matter of uncertainty  
13 at the time and everybody felt it was better to be on the group  
14 than off.

15 MS. KOCH: I -- yeah.

16 MS. SMITH: Yeah, that may be and that's just the group  
17 that I've had as a sort of group for holding purposes I suppose  
18 more than anything else.

19 MS. KOCH: That is informative. Maybe just for  
20 comparative purposes when I think about the technical  
21 subcommittee, a bunch of people who were doing specific work  
22 tasks, how many people were on that committee? Can you name  
23 those members, Dea?

24 MS. HUFF: Just Alan and I and Brad, AECOM. Brad  
25 basically.

1 MR. TURNER: It started out big and got narrowed down to  
2 four.

3 MS. KOCH: Yeah, so it's really four or five -- five  
4 people?

5 MS. HUFF: Tiffany and Tom, yeah, you, me, Alan. I don't  
6 think anyone else have ever talked. Like on our extensive  
7 conversations.

8 MR. THOMAS: The actual work was five people.....

9 MS. KOCH: Five people.

10 MR. THOMAS: .....and then there's a lot of communication  
11 externally, but.....

12 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

13 MR. THOMAS: Doing the actual work was probably four  
14 people. I was just there helping.

15 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

16 MS. KOCH: John.

17 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay. We could go with an options  
18 workgroup, but I would charge the options workgroup with coming  
19 up with the questions that need to be answered and then breaking  
20 down into small teams to answer those questions. For instance,  
21 one -- if we're going to work on Brad's language breaking down  
22 to refine that and answer the questions related to that.

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Okay.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Or if it's general permit, answering the  
25 questions with that. Or any other questions we would have for

1 it we could do that and the policy workgroup could identify  
2 those questions and then subcommittee them out to two or three  
3 people to work and report back to the group. Or we could just  
4 do that in this workgroup that we have now, identify the  
5 questions and assign out work.

6 MS. KOCH: I do think that the concept is that really in  
7 the task there's only going to be probably four or five people  
8 who are going to actually do the work and then they could report  
9 back to a larger group. And I think there's kind of a  
10 fundamental of the group gets too big it gets hard to manage or  
11 it's not as clear as who does what. For other members, Mike on  
12 the phone or Gordon, do you have any preference or, you know, do  
13 we identify questions in this group and then task them out or do  
14 we identify a -- or do we keep this really large options group  
15 and charge them with coming up with questions and then  
16 identifying subcommittees?

17 MR. BROWER: Seems to me that you would want to have a  
18 smaller group identify and give missions to potential mechanisms  
19 that could work and then bring that back for debate and dialogue  
20 to the larger body. And I think through that you start to weed  
21 out what might be the most appropriate recommendation to  
22 ultimately provide. You know, not giving clear direction, but I  
23 think it's -- you know, I still have a issue of some other  
24 states that say it's not a problem in how they manage that and  
25 it's not a problem how many drill rigs, it's not a problem in

1 their state. Is it 1,000, is it 2,000 rigs in their state and  
2 it's not a problem and what do we have in the state and it's a  
3 problem, is it 29? You know.

4 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, to build on what you said, it's better  
5 to have a smaller group identify the issues. You know, when you  
6 compare the size of this group, six, with the size of the  
7 options group that was just named by Rebecca, a lot. This is  
8 the smallest group. And so to build on what you said, maybe  
9 this is the right group to put the questions on the table and  
10 this is the right group to farm them out, you know, when they're  
11 put on the table if they need to be farmed out.

12 MS. KOCH: Corri, I haven't queried you recently, what  
13 your thoughts are.

14 MS. FEIGE: Nope, I'm just nodding away over here. I  
15 agree that a smaller group, that's going to make it a little  
16 more concise and easy and we don't get into -- you know, we can  
17 over process it if we're not careful. I think we just have to  
18 identify the questions, determine what we think needs to go into  
19 those and then parse them out, dish out the -- you know pass  
20 them out and have folks start digging in.

21 MR. TURNER: I've heard two questions so far. Are we  
22 going to work on Brad's proposal and are we going to look at  
23 permit by rule. So I'm just starting on a question list.

24 MS. KOCH: Well, I think if -- to Brad's point, this  
25 workgroup is smaller than the options subcommittee. The



1 subcommittee wound up to be bigger than the main committee. So  
2 maybe we keep it at this workgroup is -- when we start this  
3 maybe list of questions that have been raised here and then we  
4 can task those questions out and then maybe have some -- whoever  
5 works on those questions report back to this body. What -- I've  
6 written down at least two questions. The question -- I  
7 appreciate, Rebecca, that you said that August 22nd, 2013,  
8 there's some information, but still we have this question, how  
9 do other states regulate drill rigs. So we could kind of pursue  
10 that question even though we have the starting point or at least  
11 refresh it in everybody's mind. That's over two years since  
12 that's been presented. This question about the pros and cons  
13 about the different approaches. So just kind of the --  
14 structurally what are the pros and cons of the different  
15 approaches. And then under that I would -- I could see once we  
16 get a pros and cons of the different approaches then we could  
17 funnel down to actual language for a permit by rule or actual  
18 language for the general permit. I would think that we'd want  
19 to look at the pros and cons, structurally for those before we  
20 got into the more specific language.

21 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, I think we would need some  
22 categorization of the pros and cons just to be able to focus and  
23 be able to -- for us to understand those. So some of the  
24 characteristics that we need to evaluate is, you know, how much  
25 will it cost. Okay? Does -- will it require EPA approval? Are

1 there some aspects of Alaska's current SIP which prohibit us  
2 from adopting the SIP solutions in other states? Who's going to  
3 pay for it and how is it going to get paid for? Just kind of  
4 those generalized questions that we could use to evaluate pro  
5 and con on different solutions.

6 MS. FEIGE: So then I think the first big question that  
7 we've got to ask is before we go down that path, will EPA accept  
8 the model and the Monte Carlo solution.

9 MS. KOCH: You know what, that's a great question. I'm  
10 wondering if that's a policy question or if that's a technical  
11 workgroup.....

12 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: It's a technical group question.

13 MS. KOCH: .....question.

14 MS. HUFF: Well, we brought it up to Dave Bray already at  
15 EPA on our interim calls and he thought it would end up how it  
16 was going to be framed in the SIPs eval. Was what.....

17 MS. KOCH: So his answer was kind of (indiscernible).

18 MS. HUFF: .....(indiscernible) together. Yeah. But he  
19 definitely wasn't like no at all.....

20 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Okay.

21 MS. HUFF: .....I didn't think, so.

22 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, it wasn't a red flag.

23 MS. HUFF: No.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Of course he didn't put any of that in  
25 writing.

1 MS. HUFF: No.

2 MR. KUTERBACH: That's Dave Bray.

3 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: And he's on the record here, the  
4 transcripts.

5 MS. EDWARDS: I was going to say, you won't get EPA to  
6 commit to any decision point beyond -- before they actually have  
7 the whole thing in front of them.

8 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: In front of them, yeah.

9 MS. EDWARDS: So you can get -- you could get frames of  
10 reference from them, you can get ideas of whether there's big  
11 problems, but usually you won't get a firm yes or no on  
12 anything. That's pretty normal.

13 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yeah.

14 MS. KOCH: Okay. Well, I think John has a good  
15 suggestion. Maybe we could take a break, think about some of  
16 these things, reconvene. It's -- let's come back at maybe 3:40.  
17 All right. Thank you.

18 THE REPORTER: Okay. Off the record at 3:24 p.m.

19 (Off record at 3:24 p.m.)

20 (On record at 3:40 p.m.)

21 MS. KOCH: We're going to try and reassemble and start.  
22 We're missing.....

23 (Side conversations)

24 MS. KOCH: Once again, I wish I had the gavel. Gavel,  
25 gavel, gavel. Thank you. We are reconvening.

1 MR. TURNER: It's back to the workgroup, our audience I  
2 think, except for Randy who's always been kind of a quasi  
3 workgroup guy. Kind of hangs in the back.....

4 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Yeah.

5 MR. TURNER: .....very respectfully.

6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible).

7 MS. KOCH: Our audience has shrunk. Do we still -- Mike  
8 Munger, do we still have you on the phone?

9 MR. MUNGER: Yes, I'm still here.

10 MS. KOCH: Okay. All right. Great. So there was some  
11 good discussion about different approaches. You know, I think  
12 we all are at the point where we're wanting to talk about what  
13 are the next steps. A lot of good work has been done by the  
14 technical subgroup and we want to just keep the momentum, but  
15 there are certain -- I think it's clear that there are tasks.  
16 We still have questions that are outstanding and we need to  
17 figure out how to appropriately resource those questions and who  
18 to task them to. I would throw out as a proposal if we had Brad  
19 and Josh and John and Tom take a shot at not necessarily looking  
20 at wordsmithing the particular language that you've thrown up as  
21 the Strawman, but outlining conceptually how you would translate  
22 the technical information and this technical -- those limits  
23 that have been modeled into a regulatory program. What -- and I  
24 think that's a question that maybe that smaller group can start  
25 to work on.

1 MR. THOMAS: I'm good.

2 MR. TURNER: My boss looked at me, so I'm good.

3 MS. KOCH: And his boss looked at him.

4 MR. TURNER: Yes, I got that. I'm getting both sides.

5 MS. KOCH: So that's how that works. So I -- the initial  
6 question of what -- you know, how would you translate the  
7 technical information into a regulatory program. And I think  
8 maybe a secondary question that might come out of that is what  
9 are the pros and cons of whatever that conceptual approach is.  
10 And those pros and cons should probably be regulatory, they  
11 should be operational, they should be cost -- you know, there  
12 should be cost -- cost should be a consideration. Time should  
13 be a consideration. If one approach is going to be much more --  
14 a much more lengthy process. Trying to think. Maybe.....

15 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Operational impact.

16 MS. KOCH: Operational impact. That's what I was  
17 thinking. Operationally in terms of regulatory, in terms of  
18 cost, in terms of time. I know those are pretty broad sort of  
19 questions, but maybe then that smaller subgroup can work to  
20 refine and translate what those questions are and then report  
21 back to this -- to the main workgroup. So that's my proposal.  
22 I wanted to see -- maybe I'll just go around the table and see  
23 if -- what people think about that. Corri, is that -- does that  
24 work for you?

25 MS. FEIGE: I like the small group idea, absolutely.

1 MS. KOCH: John, any thoughts? John Kuterbach.

2 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, I guess I'll do it.

3 MS. KOCH: Josh (indiscernible).

4 MR. BROWER: Yeah, I'm on board. Yeah. Yeah, that sounds  
5 good.

6 MS. KOCH: Mike, does that work for you?

7 MR. MUNGER: I support that.

8 MR. THOMAS: I'm good.

9 MS. KOCH: Brad?

10 MR. THOMAS: Yep.

11 MS. KOCH: Okay. I think the only other element we  
12 haven't talked about there is I'm not sure if we want to talk  
13 about the timeframe for kind of that smaller group convening and  
14 starting to move forward.

15 MR. KUTERBACH: Speaking of that. I'm thinking we might  
16 want to investigate whether we can get a collaborative work  
17 site, you know, like SharePoint or something that we can just  
18 work on so we don't have to sit in a meeting and teleconference  
19 and that stuff. Because with the different schedules that's  
20 going to be tough for us to arrange.

21 MR. THOMAS: We can do that.

22 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yeah.

23 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

25 MR. THOMAS: I'll make a note. I think we have systems

1 like that.

2 MR. KUTERBACH: I know we have one, but I don't know what  
3 external access we have to it.

4 MS. KOCH: I'm guessing, Brad, that it might be easier for  
5 you to do that than for us to do that.

6 MR. THOMAS: I'll try, yeah.

7 MS. KOCH: The State's going to have more firewalls  
8 and.....

9 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Right.

10 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

11 MS. KOCH: .....it might be easier for us to go into your  
12 collaborative site.

13 MR. THOMAS: Okay.

14 MS. KOCH: But if you hit a dead end.....

15 MR. KUTERBACH: And I can be a troll on your blog.

16 MS. KOCH: We'll try and keep John in line.

17 MR. BROWER: Is there a timeline we want to establish  
18 or.....

19 MS. FEIGE: For trying to turn this around, yeah.

20 MS. KOCH: Yeah, I think that's a fair question. I don't  
21 know what -- I don't want to lead that too much. I want to hear  
22 what your thoughts are and maybe Mike's thoughts.

23 MR. KINDRED: Logistically how long does it typically take  
24 to get this entire group together? Would it make sense to set a  
25 time now that sort of gets us working, but that way we don't

1 have to wait until we get to a point where we feel comfortable  
2 and then have to wait six weeks.....

3 MR. THOMAS: Right.

4 MR. KINDRED: .....for schedules to work out. I mean I'm  
5 not looking for artificial deadlines for a reason. I got  
6 plenty. But it just may make more sense as far as speeding the  
7 process up.

8 MS. KOCH: I won't speak to that just for this meeting  
9 because that's one that I'm intimately familiar with. I think  
10 when it became clear that there was a lot of technical  
11 information and probably enough technical information to we were  
12 hitting a milestone. And when I spoke to Brad I think it was at  
13 the beginning of this month. So it took us about four weeks  
14 from the time that we both said it felt like it was time to have  
15 another meeting to actually convene the meeting.

16 MR. TURNER: Just real quick. Just based on the record,  
17 this time we haven't met -- this group had not met in a year.  
18 You had new players and you had to reestablish everything. In  
19 the past when we were doing it they would run about six week  
20 time period and we could -- you know, there was a we're going to  
21 meet this week and then people just blocked off that week and  
22 then we set a couple of dates and times and it was easier to do.

23 MR. KINDRED: Well, do we have a -- and I don't have a  
24 good sense of how long this project will take, but does it make  
25 sense given the holidays to set a schedule early in 2016 and



1 then that way we know what our deadline is, but it doesn't try  
2 to navigate too quickly. Is that -- is even that took quick a  
3 deadline?

4 MS. KOCH: John, did you have any thoughts about that?

5 MR. TURNER: I have a project as a key member that's due  
6 by January 15th and it will absorb a huge amount of time.

7 MS. KOCH: Okay.

8 MR. TURNER: So, you know, to do something like right  
9 after the first of the year would not give sufficient time.

10 MR. THOMAS: Well, to be clear though, I think -- you're  
11 talking about the next broader scheduled meeting.

12 MR. KINDRED: Yeah, setting that as our goal so we don't  
13 finish what we're doing and then have to wait an additional six  
14 weeks. But if we have an idea of how long we think it'll take  
15 us let's just set the meeting out.

16 MR. KUTERBACH: Could we set something up before the  
17 holiday to -- it doesn't have to be a full meeting where we all  
18 come to Anchorage.

19 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: We could teleconference.

20 MR. KUTERBACH: We could at least have a  
21 teleconference.....

22 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yeah.

23 MR. KUTERBACH: .....meeting of this group just to check  
24 in and see where we are.

25 MS. KOCH: I was going to suggest maybe closer to January

1 1st. I think just December becomes so difficult in terms of  
2 everyone's schedule. Typically.....

3 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

4 MS. KOCH: .....people will be back, you know, January 1st  
5 or January 2nd.

6 MR. TURNER: That -- to satisfy the times. We could --  
7 we've done this before. It's a little bit of effort. I'll have  
8 to look at how Jeanne did it. I may need to have support on  
9 this one. But the windows of opportunity are like December 10th  
10 through the 20th and then the next one would be right after the  
11 first of the year. But the holiday period.....

12 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: That would be the 4th.

13 MR. TURNER: Yeah, the 4th. And so I mean, you know, we  
14 could look at either one of those two dates.

15 MS. KOCH: And maybe make it a teleconference.....

16 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Sure.

17 MS. KOCH: .....so it doesn't have to be quite as.....

18 MR. TURNER: Yeah.

19 MS. KOCH: .....formal. It's easier to fit into  
20 everybody's schedule and that sort of thing.

21 MR. THOMAS: And then up to that date then we could -- the  
22 four of us could get together.

23 MR. KUTERBACH: Right. We'll work on the collaborative  
24 thing and if we have to get on teleconferences we can schedule  
25 that ad hoc as we do it.

1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Makes sense to me.

2 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

3 MS. KOCH: So how about -- I don't know if everyone has  
4 their calendars here or if that's a follow up action that we  
5 could -- DEC, we can initiate and we can find a date that works  
6 for everyone. And.....

7 MR. TURNER: See if we can target at some dates then.

8 MS. KOCH: In early January.

9 MR. THOMAS: I think early January's going to be fine for  
10 me.

11 MR. KUTERBACH: Yeah, Tom, why don't you send out -- pick  
12 a date that first week after the holiday and send out email --  
13 you know, an email invite and then people can respond.

14 MS. KOCH: I'll be -- Alice is saying aren't you on  
15 vacation. I am on vacation. I'll be calling from Mexico.

16 MR. THOMAS: Oh. Like.....

17 MS. KOCH: It'll be a long distance call.

18 MR. THOMAS: The week of the 4th? The week of the 4th?

19 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yeah.

20 MR. THOMAS: I'll probably be in India. So maybe the  
21 (indiscernible).

22 MS. KOCH: Maybe the.....

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: That (indiscernible).

24 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Yeah, we (indiscernible).

25 MS. KOCH: Yeah, and then we have Arlene (ph). So that

1 gets us.....

2 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: A whole week.

3 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Because you're gone -- aren't you  
4 gone from like the 4th (indiscernible).

5 MS. KOCH: I am. I'm really back the week of the 19th.  
6 So the 18th is Martin Luther King Day and then.....

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: And then session.

8 MS. KOCH: .....the 19th is session.

9 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Session begins, yeah.

10 MS. KOCH: I don't think that -- I mean that should  
11 (indiscernible).

12 MR. THOMAS: If we do it late the week of the 4th I could  
13 probably do that. If the week of the 4th is viable. Late in  
14 the week would be probably.....

15 MR. TURNER: I'll check on the week of the 4th, but if not  
16 just knowing how this goes it's going to probably be then after  
17 the 20th. Just to give people perspective.

18 MS. FEIGE: Yeah, and I'm fine later in the week of the  
19 4th as well.

20 MS. KOCH: Okay.

21 MS. FEIGE: Yeah.

22 MS. KOCH: I think I'm really the only hold up in the week  
23 of the 4th and I could try and find a way to participate.

24 MS. FEIGE: Skype.

25 MR. KUTERBACH: I like the idea of making Brad get up in

1 the middle of the night in India.

2 MR. THOMAS: It is the middle of the night.

3 MR. TURNER: Okay. So we'll go ahead and survey the group  
4 for the week of the 4th at the end of the week, like -- I don't  
5 have the calendar in front of me.

6 MS. KOCH: Thursday's the 7th.....

7 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: The 7th.

8 MR. TURNER: Thank you.

9 MS. KOCH: .....and Friday's the 8th.

10 MR. TURNER: So we'll look at Thursday the 7th or Friday  
11 the 8th. And just so I'm clear, Director, you're comfortable  
12 with calling in on your vacation.

13 MS. KOCH: Yes. I just have to -- I have to look into the  
14 logistics. I don't mind doing it. It's I need to make sure  
15 that I can -- that it's physically possible for me. I'm going  
16 to be kind of off the grid.

17 MR. TURNER: So that might be a key element. Otherwise if  
18 that's not the date then the next time will be the week of --  
19 around the 20th.

20 MS. KOCH: Then it's the 19th.

21 MR. TURNER: Week of the 19th. Okay. All right. And  
22 we're going to look at teleconference? Okay. That's a lot  
23 easier to set.

24 MS. KOCH: Yeah. We're a little bit more agile that way.

25 MR. TURNER: Anything else?

1 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, you'll have to see about whether you  
2 need public notice for that or.....

3 MR. TURNER: I'll public notice it one way or the other.

4 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

5 MR. TURNER: Anything like this with the public involved  
6 it's 15 days that I'll public notice it.

7 MR. THOMAS: And I'll send a -- to get us started I'll  
8 send a meeting invite to -- for a meeting as soon as next  
9 Thursday maybe if that works for you guys.

10 MR. TURNER: Yeah, sure.

11 MR. THOMAS: Okay.

12 MR. TURNER: Or the following week. We'll -- you and I  
13 will get together and do that.

14 MR. THOMAS: Okay.

15 MR. TURNER: I got some -- I got a pretty big project due  
16 by next Friday.

17 MR. THOMAS: Okay.

18 MR. TURNER: Then it tapers off a little bit. They all  
19 come in at the end of this month.

20 MR. THOMAS: Well, yeah, and I guess I'm kind of antsy to  
21 get started because the -- it's hard to tell how big a subject,  
22 how deep a subject we can get into until we start talking about  
23 it.

24 MR. TURNER: We're a good group. We're going to go fine.

25 MS. KOCH: All right. Well, it feels like we're kind of

1 coming to a close. We've got these potential dates for the full  
2 workgroup teleconference either January 7th or 8th or the week  
3 of January 19th. We'll see what works for most. We've got kind  
4 of our tasked group of Joshua, Brad, Tom and John. Are there  
5 any other kind of closing thoughts or ideas before we adjourn?

6 MR. THOMAS: A closing thought for me is the effort that  
7 Dea and Alan put into this is appreciated. It's.....

8 MS. KOCH: (Indiscernible).

9 MR. THOMAS: So -- and Tom and Tiffany as well. I mean  
10 they all get credit. It's been a huge amount of work and back  
11 and forth and I think it just went well. There's a level of  
12 cooperation here that's commendable, so.

13 MS. KOCH: I do have one other question which I probably  
14 have -- I shouldn't lob out almost at 4:00 o'clock, but I will  
15 anyway. Feel like we have a path forward on -- we have North  
16 Slope data and modeling that we feel -- you know, there's a lot  
17 of consensus on. There's a path forward for looking at the  
18 regulatory changes that we could make based on this information.  
19 We still have the issue of Cook Inlet. So do we want to let the  
20 regulatory group kind of move forward a little bit, get a little  
21 traction, before we then ask the technical group to start  
22 working on Cook Inlet information?

23 MR. THOMAS: Well, I'm thinking the technical group is  
24 working on the Cook Inlet information. You guys don't have  
25 anything to review yet I don't think for Cook Inlet modeling,

1 but Tom and Tiffany, it's on their to do list if they're not  
2 already working on it. And correct me if I'm wrong, Tom, but  
3 that's what my thought was.

4 MR. DAMIANA: Yeah. Yeah, I mean we've -- the technical  
5 committee had met a couple of times to get, you know, some  
6 initial protocols developed for us and we've been pushing it  
7 forward.

8 MR. THOMAS: So it's in parallel?

9 MS. KOCH: Dea, do you have any thoughts or comments on  
10 that? Or Alan.

11 MS. HUFF: Yeah, it seems like we.....

12 MR. SCHULER: This is Alan. It's a question I had, if we  
13 should proceed or not. I have no problem with proceeding, but  
14 actually it's up to the subgroup if it's worthwhile or not.

15 MR. THOMAS: If what's worthwhile?

16 MR. SCHULER: Again, I presume it is, but it's not my  
17 call.

18 MS. KOCH: I think -- yeah, I think that Alan's just  
19 looking for concurrence from the workgroup that they should move  
20 forward on the technical piece. Barbara.

21 MS. TROST: One thing I would like to know is that before  
22 we move on too far and I know, you know, Tom and Tiffany have  
23 done most of the legwork, but at some point we will need to pull  
24 all this together in a write-up. And that is something that I  
25 am really concerned about because I imagine that it's going to



1 be quite a lot of paper. We will be having a hand in to EPA.  
2 And so we could either wait until we're completely done with the  
3 process, or we could get sort of the process started of  
4 documenting this and pulling all the information together.  
5 Because we've got the work -- the modeling is done and the power  
6 -- we have PowerPoints, but we haven't really put it into any  
7 shape or form that we can submit it to EPA. So I just wanted to  
8 hear that is something that we need to work on and who's going  
9 to be taking the lead on that.

10 MS. KOCH: John.

11 MR. KUTERBACH: I'd wait on that work until we determine  
12 what we're going to need to submit to EPA.

13 MS. TROST: Okay.

14 MR. KUTERBACH: Because it may be less than what we  
15 normally would for a SIP change depending on the solution we  
16 come up with.

17 MS. TROST: Well, we know we have to write the model. I  
18 mean there are certain things that we can already do. It's a  
19 matter of resources and timing I guess. But.....

20 MR. KUTERBACH: Okay.

21 MS. TROST: I mean obviously if we come up with various  
22 scenarios we might have to change what we're doing, but I think  
23 there are certain things that we know we have to write up.

24 MR. KUTERBACH: Then I'll defer to the person paying the  
25 bills.

1 MS. KOCH: I was just about to ask Brad. I mean a lot of  
2 the format of the technical group, and correct me if I'm out of  
3 turn, but AECOM has done a lot of the work. They do a lot of  
4 the modeling and then they hand that information over to Alan  
5 and to Dea and to Barbara for them to review it and to make sure  
6 that they concur with the modeling and the approach. But the  
7 actual modeling is being done by AECOM and if my understanding  
8 is correct it would make -- seem to make the most sense to me  
9 for them to take the -- for AECOM to take the first shot at  
10 writing up what they've done because they're the ones that are  
11 most familiar with that process.

12 MR. THOMAS: That's something we should probably talk  
13 about when (indiscernible) the processes a little bit better  
14 because I don't. So maybe that's one of the things that we can  
15 (indiscernible). If we're talking about, you know, what's the  
16 program going to look like that we ultimately pursue and then  
17 define what we're going to need to get EPA concurrence. At that  
18 point I think I can figure that out.

19 MS. KOCH: Okay.

20 MR. THOMAS: Right now I don't feel like I'm equipped to  
21 answer it.

22 MS. KOCH: Okay. So I think that at this point Barbara  
23 has a great point and we're just going to table it for the  
24 moment until this smaller group kind of works a little bit to  
25 figure out what it is.....

1 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

2 MS. KOCH: .....what sort of regulatory program we want  
3 and that will -- might help to dictate what sort of  
4 documentation that we're going to need to provide that. Does  
5 that work for the workgroup?

6 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Uh-huh (affirmative).

7 MS. KOCH: Mike, we're getting very close to adjourning.  
8 I want to make sure, do you have any closing thoughts or  
9 comments?

10 MR. MUNGER: I did and thanks. I wanted to thank the hard  
11 work that the folks of the technical workgroup have put in to  
12 getting us this information that we've looked at today. I  
13 believe when it comes to Cook Inlet, and of course I have a bias  
14 towards Cook Inlet, but I believe that this work needs to be  
15 done in parallel. If in fact we go forward with regulations  
16 it's -- you can't really write -- they're going to have to be  
17 statewide regulations with caveats for geographical locations,  
18 but I believe since this workgroup set out to do North Slope and  
19 Cook Inlet that the Cook Inlet technical issues need to be  
20 addressed frankly at the same time if we're looking at  
21 promulgating regulations. Because it's going -- there's going  
22 to be some applicability and generalities that will be statewide  
23 anyway. So again, I appreciate the work of the technical group.  
24 I'm glad this workgroup is back together and actually going  
25 forward again. It certainly has been a long time since we've

1 met. I believe it's an important topic that we need to get  
2 addressed and so I'm glad we're moving forward again. Thanks.

3 MR. THOMAS: To address what you said, Mike. This is  
4 Brad. We do intend to include Cook Inlet. So we don't -- in my  
5 mind I haven't anticipated concluding any kind of programmatic  
6 changes without Cook Inlet being involved.

7 MS. KOCH: It sounds like AECOM is.....

8 MR. THOMAS: (Indiscernible).

9 MS. KOCH: .....they might not have presented anything to  
10 DE -- the DEC portion of the technical subcommittee, but they  
11 are.....

12 MR. THOMAS: They're working on it.

13 MS. KOCH: .....they're still working.

14 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

15 MS. KOCH: Okay.

16 MR. SCHULER: Denise, this is Alan. A quick question just  
17 for clarification again with respect to Cook Inlet. I believe  
18 we're looking at onshore drill rig activity and not offshore,  
19 but I want to double check. And the reason why I ask is there's  
20 a different air quality model that's used for offshore  
21 (indiscernible). And so if offshore becomes part of what we  
22 need to look at there are some other issues we need to start  
23 working through as well with AECOM.

24 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, at this point we're not looking at  
25 offshore.

1 MR. SCHULER: Okay.

2 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Drill rigs are already accounted for  
3 in (indiscernible).

4 MR. MUNGER: This is Mike again. (Indiscernible) changes  
5 in the on or off riggers in Cook Inlet to where there used to be  
6 a fixed rig on every offshore platform to where now they're  
7 using a rig that basically can be moved around. For the  
8 majority of platforms I believe that it might be worthy to  
9 taking a look at that again before we go forward.

10 MS. FEIGE: The jack up rig.

11 MR. THOMAS: Yeah. Are you talking about a jack up rig,  
12 Mike?

13 MR. MUNGER: Well, not only the jack up rigs, but the  
14 fixed rigs now, they've taken the vast majority of all the fixed  
15 rigs off the fixed production platforms and then they just move  
16 a mobile rig now around to those platforms for work overs and  
17 other issues.

18 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, just.....

19 MR. SCHULER: This is Alan. I know we worked on an air  
20 quality permit with Hilcorp on multiple -- or rigs on multiple  
21 platforms. And so I don't know if they are content with that.  
22 And then of course there's other operators out there as well.  
23 So I don't know if we have an adequate mechanism for dealing  
24 with that or if there's additional issues at least from  
25 Hilcorp's perspective for the workgroup, but.....

1 MR. THOMAS: That's a fair thing to follow up on, so I'll  
2 -- I can check to see what the -- how drilling is currently  
3 covered on the platforms in the -- in Cook Inlet and whether or  
4 not any issues are raised by the regulatory program as it exists  
5 right now. I don't think there are.

6 MR. KUTERBACH: As I understand it, each of the platforms  
7 has its own permit and the drill rigs are just a.....

8 MR. THOMAS: Part.

9 MR. KUTERBACH: Yeah, it's just an operational  
10 scenario.....

11 MR. THOMAS: Yeah.

12 MR. KUTERBACH: .....under that permit.

13 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Right.

14 MR. THOMAS: Yeah, so we think, Mike, that the existing  
15 drill rig permits cover the drilling scenario even if the  
16 drilling rigs move.

17 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yeah.

18 MS. KOCH: All right. Any other thoughts or comments,  
19 Mike?

20 MR. MUNGER: No, not at this time. Again, thanks for the  
21 work that's gone into this and glad we're going forward. Hope  
22 everybody has a safe weekend.

23 MS. KOCH: Thank you.

24 MR. TURNER: So just to quickly summarize. What I heard  
25 was the options regulatory subcommittee consists of John

1 Kuterbach, Brad, Josh and Tom. That they're going to begin  
2 looking at these various options. Brad's going to look at  
3 SharePoint, some type of a shared technical site. The next  
4 meeting for the large workgroup will be January 7th and 8th.  
5 Tom to start looking for a email, preferably teleconference, but  
6 it's going to be dependent on whether or not Denise can attach  
7 to it. For Cook Inlet they're.....

8 MS. KOCH: Or it would wind up being the week of January  
9 19.

10 MR. TURNER: Correct.

11 MS. KOCH: If 7th or 8th doesn't work.

12 MR. TURNER: Thank you. For the data for Cook Inlet,  
13 that's going to be a parallel process that's going to be  
14 continued, but Brad is going to go check and see how Hilcorp's  
15 currently covering it, but I'm pretty sure it's covered by  
16 existing permits. We're going to wait on the EPA write-up until  
17 such time the options subcommittee sees what's required. Did I  
18 miss any other action items?

19 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I don't think.

20 MR. THOMAS: One to propose. Do you think it's worthwhile  
21 to engage Herman at Region 10 now about the modeling approach?

22 MS. HUFF: I know Alan wrote him an email awhile back  
23 and.....

24 MR. SCHULER: Yeah, this is Alan.

25 MS. HUFF: .....he talked to OEQPS. Sorry Alan, go ahead.

1 MR. SCHULER: Yeah. No, I was just -- well, I should have  
2 let you finish. But I think Dave's been our main point of  
3 contact and so I think it will probably work through Dave and  
4 then if he wants to pull in Herman. Herman's actually retiring  
5 in the end of December. And so his -- I don't know if he's  
6 looking for anymore projects at this point. I think he's trying  
7 to wrap up what he has and I don't know if he would be able --  
8 this project sounds like it's going to go beyond December, so I  
9 think it's probably better to work through Dave at this point in  
10 time and if he wants to pull in Herman for a particular issue  
11 then he's free to do so. We have a good rapport with Herman,  
12 but I think keeping it to Dave is probably the better strategy  
13 at this point.

14 MR. THOMAS: You know, one advantage, you know, with the  
15 proposed revisions to Appendix W and having -- if it goes final  
16 as proposed and having to have all the alternative modeling  
17 approaches approved by the clearinghouse back in North Carolina.  
18 Once that sets in, you know, then our task just gets a little  
19 more -- you know, we just have another hurdle. The advantage of  
20 working with Region 10 now before that rule goes final if it's  
21 finalized the way it's written is we can limit the look by EPA  
22 to Region 10.

23 MR. SCHULER: Well, actually that's a good point, Brad.  
24 Maybe -- I mean one of the (indiscernible) is actually the PVMRM  
25 and maybe we should proceed with asking -- and that is Herman's



1 (indiscernible). Maybe we should proceed with asking for that  
2 now to get that on the record, you know, before Herman retires  
3 and before this proposed change to EPA (indiscernible).

4 MS. KOCH: So in terms of Tom.....

5 MR. SCHULER: (Indiscernible).

6 MS. KOCH: .....writing down the action items, is that --  
7 can you follow up on that action item, Alan? Can you go to.....

8 MR. SCHULER: Yes.

9 MS. KOCH: .....to Herman and ask him about that PVMRM.

10 MS. HUFF: I think we -- it sounds like they might have  
11 several co-current like technical action items just from today's  
12 discussion and working out if we need additional information for  
13 the operational time period for the excursions or whatever.  
14 Like some back and forth that we might need to decide on or look  
15 into.

16 MR. TURNER: So you'll send.....

17 MS. HUFF: I have it and.....

18 MR. TURNER: You have it.....

19 MS. HUFF: You will have it, but I have the technical  
20 (indiscernible).

21 MR. TURNER: Send an email and then probably what will  
22 happen is I'll add it to the minutes after we get the transcript  
23 so it's in the record.

24 MS. HUFF: Yeah.

25 MR. TURNER: Okay. So that's an action item too. Okay.

1 MS. KOCH: Okay. So I -- I'll just do one -- once around  
2 the room for the workgroup members to see if you have any final  
3 thoughts. I'll start with you, Corri. Anything.....

4 MS. FEIGE: Nothing.

5 MS. KOCH: .....before we adjourn? John?

6 MR. KUTERBACH: Well, it's not for the workgroup, but if  
7 Alan's still on, send the saline issues to Tara.

8 MR. SCHULER: I'm sorry, I missed that.

9 MR. KUTERBACH: The saline issues. You know where they  
10 are on the website, on the SharePoint site?

11 MR. TURNER: Rebecca does.

12 MR. SCHULER: Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah. Oh, oh -- oh yeah, so  
13 I'll send it to Karen. Okay.

14 MR. TURNER: Yeah.

15 MS. KOCH: Yeah, different subject, Alan. We just.....

16 MR. SCHULER: Okay. Yeah, I'm sorry. I didn't pick up  
17 the change.

18 MR. KINDRED: Nothing.

19 MS. KOCH: Joshua. Gordon, any.....

20 MR. BROWER: No, I don't have any closing thoughts.

21 MR. THOMAS: Nothing.

22 MS. KOCH: Brad, closing thoughts. All right. Just  
23 wanted to thank you all for being here today. It's been awhile  
24 since we've had one of these full workgroup meetings and it was  
25 really informative to hear all the work that the technical group

1 has done. They've really come very, very far and it really felt  
2 like it was time to start on this other aspect. So I think  
3 we've got a good plan forward and thank you very much. And  
4 officially we are adjourned. I gavel out.

5 THE REPORTER: Okay. We can gavel out at 4:07 p.m.

6 (Off record at 4:07 p.m.)

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