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## Open House on Sulfolane Contamination in North Pole

There will be an Open House on Sulfolane contamination in North Pole Tuesday, June 25th, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. at the North Pole City Hall.

Representatives from the Alaska departments of Environmental Conservation, and Health and Social Services, will be there to answer questions, listen to concerns, and provide the most up-to-date information.

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## Additional text, if desired:

The industrial solvent was found in wells near the North Pole refinery in the fall of 2009. The discovery and investigation of sulfolane contamination has been unprecedented in Alaska due to the distance that sulfolane has traveled in groundwater and the number of properties affected with private drinking water wells. All residents with sulfolane detections in their water currently have been offered an alternate drinking water source.