ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Notice of Request for Adjudicatory Hearing on ADEC's 401 Certification of the Donlin Mine 404 Permit

Requester – Tom Waldo and Olivia Glasscock of Earthjustice on behalf of the

Orutsararmiut Native Council, Chevak Native Village, Kasigluk Traditional Council, Native Village of Eek, Native Village of

Kwinhagak, Native Village of Marshall, Native Village of Nightmute, Native Village of Tununak, Organized Village of Kwethluk, Kwethluk IRA Council, Village of Kotlik, SalmonState, and Alaska Community

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Contested Decision – ADEC Certificate of Reasonable Assurance (401 Certification) of the

Corp of Engineer's 404 permit for the Donlin Gold Mine

Respondent – Donlin Gold, LLC

Location – Proposed Donlin Mine, 12 miles north of Crooked Creek, Alaska

Background – The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC)

reissued the 401 certification of the Donlin Mine 404 wetland permit.

Twelve communities represented by Earthjustice requested an

adjudicatory hearing on this decision.

Copies of the adjudicatory hearing can be viewed on ADEC's web site at http://dec.alaska.gov/commish/ReviewGuidance.htm Copies may also be obtained by writing to Gary Mendivil, Hearing Liaison, Office of the Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation, P.O. Box 111800, Juneau, AK 99811-1800; by phoning Mr. Mendivil at (907) 465-5061; by faxing a request to (907) 465-5070; or by email to Gary.Mendivil@alaska.gov

As provided in 18 AAC 15.220, the division director and the permit applicant or permittee may file a response to the request for adjudicatory hearing by serving a response on the Office of Administrative Hearings, by July 6, 2020. Written responses on the request for adjudicatory hearing may be served by mail addressed to the Office of Administrative Hearings, P.O. Box 1101231, Juneau, AK 99811-0231 or the Office of Administrative Hearings, 550 W. Seventh Avenue, Suite 1940, Anchorage, AK 99501. Please also serve a courtesy copy of the adjudicatory hearing request response to Gary Mendivil, Hearing Liaison, Office of the Commissioner, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, P.O. Box 111800, Juneau, AK 99811-1800, by facsimile to (907) 465-5070, or by email to Gary.Mendivil@alaska.gov

The Office of Administrative Hearings will issue a recommended decision to the commissioner whether to grant or deny the request for hearing or to remand the decision to the division director under 18 AAC 15.220(a). The commissioner or the commissioner's designee will issue a decision on the request for adjudicatory hearing under 18 AAC 15.220. The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Kate Orozco at (907) 465-6171 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

Notice dated – June 15, 2020.