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I have been a citizen of Alaska since 1966. I worked for the Alaska Marine Highway (AMHS) in the sales and reservation office in Anchorage from 1975 to 2006. In 1989, after the Exxon Valdez oil spill we had many cancellations for people going to PWS. They were afraid if they took the train to Whittier everything on the other side would be dead and smell of oil. Some even cried. I then became the President of the PWS Tourism Coalition to help folks know many parts of the Sound were still okay. Many of our businesses in tourism had suffered a great loss. I then became the president of the Alaska Wilderness Tourism Association. We fought to protect Alaska's resources where our businesses worked. I served as a board member representing AWRTA on the Prince William Sound Regional Citizens Advisory council. PWSRCAC played a vital role in making sure the Sound and its outer lying regions stayed protected from another spill. This is done with our regulatory agencies, member entities and citizens.

I am also a professional wildlife and nature photography and very dependent on protection of our waters for years to come.

I am very concerned that the current review and reform is an effort to roll back regulations in order to cut costs for the oil industry, effectively shifting the burden from oil industry to the people, fish, wildlife, environment, and to the many industries, as well as cultural practices, which rely on them. A concern voiced by ADEC is that the regulations governing c-plans are long, making compliance burdensome. However, the length of the regulations is to provide details for the wide variety of operations, including crude tankers, non-crude tankers and barges, crude oil terminals, non-crude terminals, oil and gas exploration facilities, production facilities, pipelines, and railroad tank cars. Many of the details in c-plan regulations were adopted over time to provide guidance and predictability to industry. There is no "one size fits all" plan; each plan is only as long as it needs to be to include enough details on how prevention and response actions are to be carried out so that there is no ambiguity. The message the State is currently sending to Alaskans is clear: the long-term health of Alaska's coastal communities is secondary to the oil industry's bottom line. Please reconsider gutting a program that has kept our waters safe from oil for many years.