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Public Notice of Availability of Final EIS

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REFERENCE NUMBER: POA-2015-25

WATERWAY: Colville River

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR THE NANUSHUK DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District, Regulatory Division (Corps), in cooperation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, State of Alaska and Native Village of Nuiqsut has prepared the final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Nanushuk Development Project.

The applicant proposes to drill wells and construct and operate infrastructure and facilities to produce and transport sales-quality oil to the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS). Project components include: the Nanushuk Pad (composed of drill site 1 [DS1] and central processing facility), two standalone gravel drill sites (DS2 and DS3), an operations center, a tie-in pad, infield pipelines on vertical support members (VSMs), the Nanushuk Pipeline on VSMs, gravel infield roads, a gravel access road, road bridges at the Miluveach and Kachemach Rivers, and a potable water intake system. The Department of the Army permit application and its revisions, including descriptions of proposed work and structures, and other supporting information can be viewed on the Nansuhuk EIS website: www.nanushukeis.com.

The Notice of Availability (NOA) for the final EIS was published in the *Federal Regist*er on November 2, 2018. In accordance with NEPA, the Corps will not issue a Record of Decision (ROD) on the proposed action until at least 30 days after the NOA publication date. The ROD will state the Corps' decision whether to authorize the proposed

Nanushuk Development Project, and if so, the conditions under which it would be allowed to occur and the factors considered in the decision.

The EIS is available for public review on the Nanushuk EIS website: www.nanushukeis.com. Copies of the EIS are also available for review at the following libraries:

- Anchorage ARLIS, 3211 Providence Drive, Library Suite 111, Anchorage, Alaska 99508
- Noel Wien Public Library, 1215 Cowles Street, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701
- Tuzzy Consortium Library, 5421 North Star Street, Utqiagvik, Alaska 99723

To request a compact disc or hardcopy of the EIS, please contact the Applicant at: Oil Search Alaska, LLC, c/o Patrick Conway, at 510 L St., Suite 310, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; or by email at Patrick.Conway@oilsearch.com; or by phone at 907-375-6938.

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