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Julie Little Senior Landman, Land Department ConocoPhillips Alaska Inc 700 G Street, ATO 1478 P.O. Box 100360 Anchorage, Alaska 99510-0360

RE: Suspension of Operations (SOO) Cosmopolitan Unit, Cook Inlet, Alaska Contract Number: 750102001X

Dear Ms. Little:

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) has reviewed your letter dated August 17, 2005, requesting an extension of the existing lease suspension of operations (SOO) for Federal leases OCS-Y 1664 and OCS-Y 1665. ConocoPhillips requested the SOO be extended until November 14, 2006. The MMS hereby approves an extension of the SOO until August 30, 2006. This will allow time for ConocoPhillips to complete and evaluate the 3D seismic program permitted for this fall and to develop future work commitments.

Extension of the existing lease SOO until August 30, 2006 will align the federal SOO with the State of Alaska (State) approved Second Plan of Exploration (POE) for the Cosmopolitan Unit. The State approved the Second POE through August 30, 2006.

An additional extension of the federal SOO past August 30, 2006 may be approved by the MMS provided ConocoPhillips submits additional justification and a reasonable schedule of work pursuant to 30 CFR 250.171. This justification and work scheduled should be submitted to this office by July 1, 2006. This will align the timeframes for updating the State approved POE with the MMS approval of the federal SOO.

If you have any questions regarding this action please contact Mr. Douglas Choromanski at (907) 334-5308.

Sincerely,

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Regional Supervisor, Field Operations

cc: Minerals Revenue Management Mike Kotowski, Alaska DNR

