



## Upcoming Public Listening Sessions in the Alaska Region

Tommy P. Beaudreau, Acting Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), with the Bureau of Safety & Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), will hold three listening sessions June 6 and June 7 with an eye toward improving rules for oil and gas exploration, development and production in the Alaska OCS.

The Department of the Interior is in the process of developing specific standards to ensure that oil and gas operations on the Alaskan Outer Continental Shelf are conducted safely and responsibly. At the outset of this rulemaking process, DOI is engaging interested parties and stakeholders in Alaska to discuss the scope and objectives of this effort. BSEE and BOEM are working jointly on this rulemaking.

Public participation is invited to the *Listening Sessions* on June 6 and June 7 at either of the locations.

### *Listening Sessions Schedule:*

**June 6 / Thursday**      **Anchorage** (Loussac Library – Assembly Chambers)  
**11am-2pm**

**June 7 / Friday**      **Barrow** (City Assembly Chambers)  
**12Noon-2pm and 5pm-7:30pm**

If you are unable to attend the *Listening Sessions* in person, DOI is accepting and considering written public comments electronically. For consideration they must be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal (<http://www.regulations.gov>; **Check this site again for an updated notice with the docket number**). The deadline to receive these comments is Friday, June 21, 2013 (12:00 midnight, EST / 8:00pm, ADT). Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask DOI (prominently at the beginning of your submission) to withhold your personal identifying information from public view, DOI cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so. DOI will not consider anonymous comments.

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