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Robin West, Refuge Manager Kenai National Wildlife Refuge P.O. Box 2139 Soldotna, Alaska 99669

Dear Mr. West:

The State of Alaska reviewed the public notice regarding a compatibility determination for the proposed issuance of a right-of-way permit to ENSTAR Natural Gas Company for a new buried natural gas distribution pipeline located parallel to Funny River Road on the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge. The following comments represent the consolidated views of State agencies.

The public notice provides very little project-specific information; however, it does indicate the proposed natural gas pipeline would be located within the Funny River Road State-owned right-of-way. As such, in addition to the Refuge's right-of-way permit, the proposed activity also requires authorization from the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Utilities (ADOT&PF). For additional information about ADOT&PF's permitting requirements, please contact Joselyn Biloon at (907) 269-0508.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment. Please contact me at (907) 269-7529 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Susan E. Magee

ANILCA Project Coordinator

cc: Sally Gibert, ANILCA Program Coordinator