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Attention: Coastal Plain EIS

Dear Ms. Hayes,

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I would like to formally request that the Department of Interior extend the public comment period for “The Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)” published in the U.S. Federal Register on December 28, 2018.

Currently the closing date for comments is February 11, 2019. Canada requests a 28 calendar day extension with a proposed closing date of March 11, 2019. This extension would allow us to better support and coordinate responses amongst all interested Canadian governments and Indigenous organizations participating in the review.

Sincerely,

Eric Walsh  
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