

PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION FOR BOND RELEASE
CIRI BELUGA EXPLORATION PERMIT E-1201

Cook Inlet Region Inc. (CIRI), 2525 C Street, Suite 500, Anchorage, AK, 99503-2633, has requested release of the reclamation bond associated with the capping and sealing of 13 drill holes drilled during the 2010 and 2011 field seasons. These drill holes were originally approved as part of their Coal Exploration Permit, permit number E-1201.

The CIRI Exploration Permit is located approximately 14 miles North of Tyonek, Alaska, within Sections 7-9, 17-20 and 29-32 Township 14 North Range 10 West, and Sections 13, 21-27, and 34-36 Township 14 North, Range 11 West, Seward Meridian. CIRI is the owner of both the surface and subsurface rights.

Upon review of the information submitted by CIRI and DMLW's inspection of these drill holes, DMLW finds that these drill holes have been capped and sealed as required by 11 AAC 90.303. Currently DMLW holds a reclamation bond totaling \$61,171.53. Of the total reclamation bond held by DMLW, \$57,754.10 is associated with the cost of capping and sealing drill holes and is available to be released. The remaining reclamation bond of \$3,417.43 is required to cover the remaining reclamation associated with reestablishing vegetation at each drill hole location.

Copies of the bond release request, the existing permit and the decision are available for review at the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water, 550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 920, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

Any person with a valid legal interest that might be adversely affected by this proposal or any federal, state, or municipal agency that has jurisdiction may submit written comments or objections concerning this proposal, and may also request, in writing, a public hearing under AS 27.21.170(g). Any comments or request for a hearing must be received within 30 calendar days after the date of issuance of this decision. And may be mailed or delivered to the Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 W 7th Ave, Suite 1400, Anchorage Alaska 99501; faxed to 907-269-8918 or sent by electronic mail to dnr.appeals@alaska.gov.