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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

ALASKA WILDERNESS LEAGUE; et
al.,

Petitioners,

v.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Secretary of the
Interior; et al.,

Respondents,

and

SHELL OFFSHORE INC.,

Respondent-Intervenor

No. 07-71457

ORDER

RESISTING ENVIRONMENTAL
DESTRUCTION ON INDIGENOUS
LANDS, A PROJECT OF THE
INDIGENOUS ENVIRONMENTAL
NETWORK; et al.,

Petitioner,

v.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Secretary of the
Interior; et al.,

Respondents,

No. 07-71989

and
SHELL OFFSHORE INC.,
Respondent-Intervenor

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH; et al.,
Petitioners,
v.
MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE;
et al.,
Respondents,
and
SHELL OFFSHORE INC.,
Respondent-Intervenor

No. 07-72183

Before: SCHROEDER, Chief Judge, HAWKINS and WARDLAW, Circuit Judges.

The Minerals Management Service's (MMS) February 15, 2007, approval of Shell Offshore's Beaufort Sea Outer Continental Shelf Lease Exploration Plan is temporarily stayed pending resolution of Petitioners' Urgent Motions for Stay by the Ninth Circuit Motions Panel. Shell Offshore shall suspend its Beaufort Sea exploratory drilling program until such time. Vessels currently located in the

Beaufort and Chuckchi Seas shall cease all operations performed in furtherance of that program, but need not depart the area.

This matter will be resolved on an expedited basis. Oral argument is set for Tuesday, August 14, 2007, in San Francisco, California, at 2:00 p.m. Each side will have 20 minutes for argument to allocate among themselves.

The MMS shall file five certified copies of the complete administrative record before the Secretary of the Interior on or before Friday, July 27, 2007.

The parties shall file simultaneous letter briefs not to exceed five pages on the question whether this court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 43 U.S.C. § 1349 or any other federal statute on or before Thursday, July 26, 2007.

SO ORDERED.