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Alyeska conducts planned maintenance shutdowns

This summer, Alyeska will conduct several planned shutdowns lasting from eight to 18 hours each. The major maintenance shutdowns are a critical part of Alyeska's ongoing pipeline integrity management program, and involve a significant investment of resources dedicated to operating and maintaining the Trans Alaska Pipeline System.

Maintenance shutdowns planned for May and June are:

- May 18 Eight hour shutdown to install temporary bypass piping around Pump Station 5. The bypass piping will allow Pump Station 5 to be isolated while piping inside the station is modified over an eight day period.
- May 27 Eight hour shutdown to remove the bypass and restore normal flow at Pump Station 5, and to perform SIPPS (Safety Integrity Pressure Protection System) work at Pump Station 3.
- June 2 18 hour shutdown for mainline valve testing (Pump Station 5 to Pump Station 7) and SIPPS work at Pump Station 11.

Two other planned shutdowns to install straight pipe at Pump Station 6 are tentatively scheduled for July 28 and August 5, 2012.

Alyeska conducts line-wide shutdowns annually to allow maintenance crews time to work on projects simultaneously along the pipeline and at the Valdez Marine Terminal. Shutdowns typically coincide with producers' routine maintenance on equipment and facilities on the North Slope.

For further information, contact Michelle Egan, Alyeska Corporate Communications Director, at 907-787-8870.

About Alyeska

For 35 years, Alyeska has operated the 800-mile Trans Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS), safely moving oil from Prudhoe Bay on the North Slope of Alaska south to the Port of Valdez, the northernmost ice-free port in the United States. The pipeline traverses three mountain ranges, permafrost regions and 34 major rivers and streams. Alyeska personnel work in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Valdez and at pump stations and response facilities all along the pipeline. They also operate the Ship Escort/Response Vessel System (SERVS) for Prince William Sound. Alyeska was created to construct, operate, and maintain TAPS for owner companies which today are BP Pipelines (Alaska), ConocoPhillips Transportation Alaska, ExxonMobil Pipeline Company, Unocal Pipeline Company, and Koch Alaska Pipeline Company.

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