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Company "Exxon Neftegaz Limited" OPERATOR OF "SAKHALIN -1" PROJECT

NOTIFICATION

Meeting its commitments on informing the public about planning activities within the framework of "Sakhalin-1" Project implementation on the North-East coast of Sakhalin Island, Company "Exxon Neftegaz Limited" (ENL), the Operator of "Sakhalin-1" Project, informs about its intention to continue public discussion of the materials of Environmental Impact Assessment of the construction project "Production Pipeline Platform Odoptu 2 – Coastal Preparation Complex Chaivo. Passage through Piltun bay. Clarifications to the project. Project "Sakhalin-1". Stage 1" in connection with optimization of the project decisions previously approved by the Russian State bodies (Ministry of Natural Resources and Glavgosekspertiza of Russia) in 2004.

General information on the title, goal and location of thr planned activity:

Production Pipeline "Northern Oil-rig Platform Odoptu 2 – Coastal Preparation Complex Chaivo will be used for transportation of the mixed stream of oil and gas from the extraction ground, located at the Northern Oil-rig Platform Odoptu 2, to Coastal Oil Preparation Complex at Chaivo, currently operated by "ENL" Company. The section of production pipeline, that is subject of the State Ecological Expertise, passes from Western part of Piltun bay and crosses the bay in the eastward direction. The length of the pipeline section crossing the Piltun bay is about 10 km. The planning activities include construction works in the winter period and further exploitation of the object "Production Pipeline Northern Oil-rig Platform Odoptu 2 – Coastal Preparation Complex Chaivo".

Historical Information:

In the period 2001-2002 the "ENL" Company has developed the documentation on the Project "Sakhalin-1", that includes the chapter on development of Odoptu oil-field (including construction of production oil pipe-line across Piltun bay) and conducted preliminary Environmental Impact Assessment taking into account proposals and comments from the public.

Based on the results of preliminary assessment the basic project decisions on construction of production oil pipeline have been taken, including the passage via Piltun bay, within the framework of

stages, identifying the first stage of its development as exploration and extraction from the oil-rig Odoptu 2 only, some modifications have been made in the project of construction of "Production Pipeline Northern Oil-rig Platform Odoptu 2 – Coastal Preparation Complex Chaivo" (passage through Piltun bay), including:

- diameter of production pipeline increase from 324 mm up to 406,4 mm;
- •the product transported via pipeline has been changed from single-phase to two-phase fluid/gaseous.

In December 2007 – January 2008 the "ENL" Company organised and conducted public hearings on the mentioned above project modifications, made in the project, in Okhtinsky region – the site of the planned activities. The comments and proposals received during the period of the public hearings on planned activities have been taken into account and incorporated into project documents.

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Bodies responsible for organization and carrying out public hearings: Municipal entity "Nogliki Urban District"