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September 27, 2007, Washington, D.C. – Drue Pearce, Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects,

The OFC's startup is well underway. Pearce has hired a small permanent staff and plans to begin work on a gap analysis in October. She has established a cooperative relationship with Canadian Industry Minister Jim Prentice, who manages the Arctic gas pipeline files for Premier Harper. Pearce is coordinating her activities with the State of Alaska and Governor Palin in advance of entering into the joint surveillance and monitoring agreement required by the enabling legislation. Pearce is calling together the principles for the responsible Federal Agencies in early October to discuss the status of the project. Finally, the OFC intends to publish draft regulations in the coming months.

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