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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

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***Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Public Advisory Committee; Call for Nominations**

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Interior is soliciting nominations for the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Public Advisory Committee (Committee). This Committee advises the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council (Trustee Council) on decisions related to the planning, evaluation, allocation of funds, and conduct of injury assessment and restoration activities related to the T/V *Exxon Valdez* oil spill of March 1989.

DATES: All nominations must be received by [INSERT DATE 90 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Send nomination packages via email to Shiway Wang, Executive Director, *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council, at shiway.wang@alaska.gov. Also please copy Joy Maglaqui, Executive Assistant, on any email correspondence at joy.maglaqui@alaska.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Fox, Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, telephone number: (907) 227-3783; email: lisa_fox@ios.doi.gov. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, blind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was created pursuant to

Paragraph V.A.4 of the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree entered into by the United States of America and the State of Alaska on August 27, 1991, and approved by the United States District Court for the District of Alaska in settlement of *United States of America v. State of Alaska*, Civil Action No. A91-081 CV. The Committee advises the Trustee Council on matters relating to decisions on injury assessment, restoration activities, or other use of natural resource damage recoveries obtained by the government. The Trustee Council consists of representatives of the U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, and Alaska Department of Law.

The Committee consists of 10 members to reflect balanced representation from each of the following principal interests: aquaculture/mariculture, commercial fishing, commercial tourism, conservation/environmental, native landownership, recreation, subsistence use, science/technology, sport hunting/fishing, and public-at-large.
We are soliciting nominations for five positions that represent science and technology, native landownership, subsistence use, recreation, and public-at-large interests. The Committee members will be selected and appointed by the Secretary of the Interior to serve a four-year term.

Nomination Process*:* Nominations for membership may be submitted by any source. Nominations should include a résumé providing an adequate description of the nominee's qualifications, including information that would enable the Department of the Interior to evaluate the nominee's ability to meet Committee membership requirements and to contact a potential member.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. Ch. 10.

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