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Information Officer  
Research and Special Programs Administration  
Department of Transportation, Room 7128  
400 Seventh Street SW  
Washington DC 20590

**Subject: Susitna River 20" Beluga Gas Pipeline Crossing Abandonment**

Dear Information Officer:

ENSTAR Natural Gas Company hereby files the following Underwater Abandoned Pipeline Report as means of complying with recently passed CFR Title 49 Part 192.727. On June 28, 1993, ENSTAR's 20" Transmission Pressure Pipeline ruptured at the west bank of the Susitna River in Section 4, T15N R7W Seward Meridian Alaska. Shortly after the rupture a 300' section of 20" pipe broke off and was carried downstream. ENSTAR made several attempts during low water conditions to locate, with no success, the 300' section. A new directional drilled crossing was installed in July 1993 and the ruptured pipeline abandoned in place.

The abandoned portion of the crossing at the west bank was removed from the river and east segment was abandoned in place by welding 1/2" thick plate over the end of the pipe.

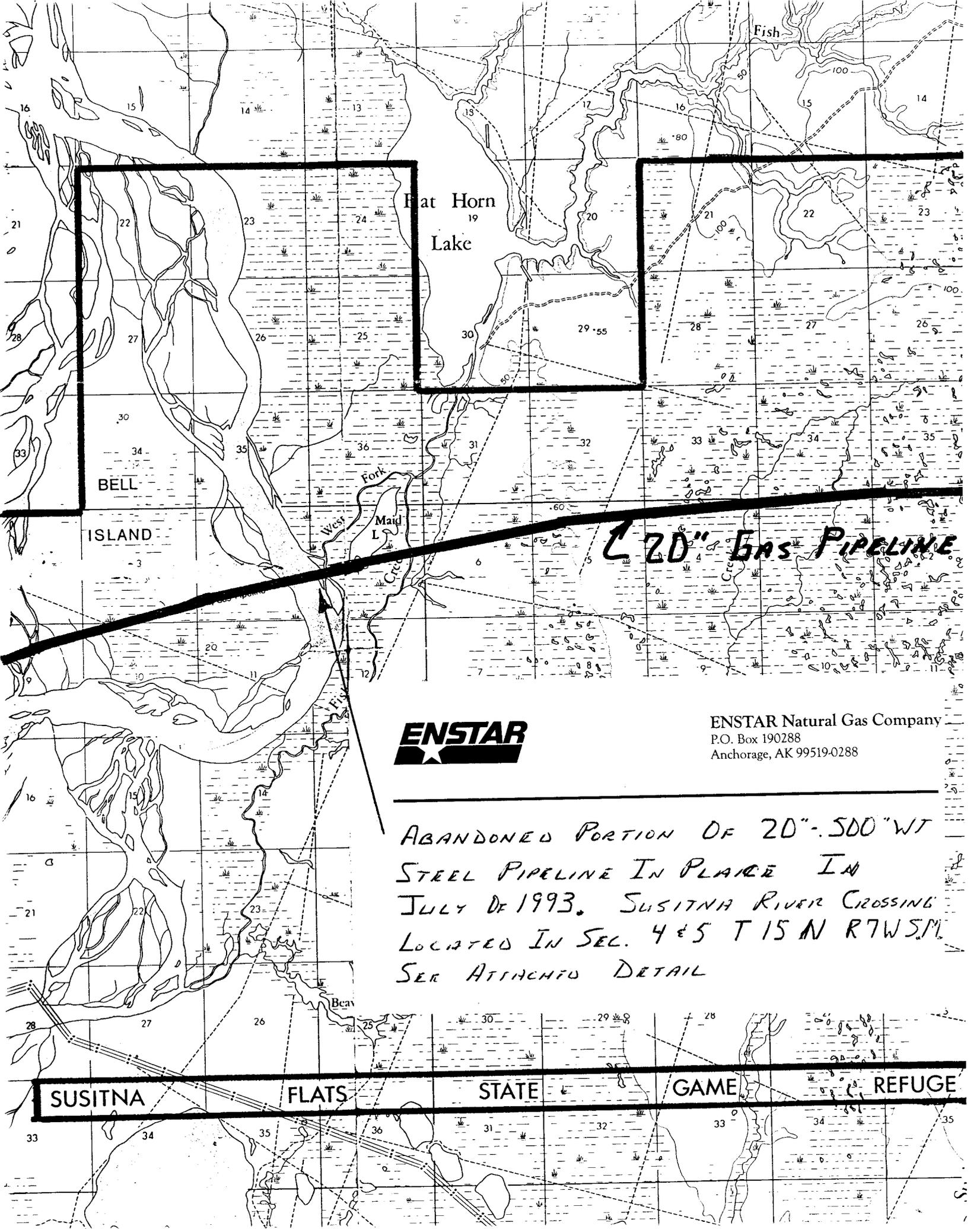
Please call the undersigned at (907) 264-3744 if ENSTAR can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,  
ENSTAR Natural Gas Company

Drew Smith  
Senior Engineer

cc: J. Lau – Director Transmission/Engineering  
Sam Saengsudham & Jerry @ Alaska - Office of Pipeline Safety

Enclosure



Fat Horn  
Lake

Fish

BELL

ISLAND

20" GAS PIPELINE



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ABANDONED PORTION OF 20"-500" WT  
STEEL PIPELINE IN PLACE IN  
JULY OF 1993. SUSITNA RIVER CROSSING  
LOCATED IN SEC. 4 & 5 T 15 N R 7 W S 1  
SEE ATTACHED DETAIL

SUSITNA

FLATS

STATE

GAME

REFUGE

Sec. 4 & 5, T15N R7W  
Seward Meridian Alaska

Susitna River.

Abandoned Portion of 20"  
Steel Pipeline

Existing 20" Natural Gas  
Pipeline

300' Section broke off &  
carried downstream  
Unknown Location



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Preliminary Engineering Design  
20" Beluga Pipeline - Big Susitna River Crossing Abandonment

Project #  
ENSTAR Project

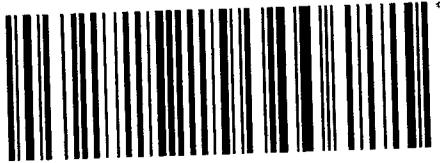
Questions contact Drew Smith @ 264-3744  
Grid: N/A  
Design Revision Date: 10/27/2000



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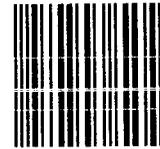
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