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ConocoPhillips Demonstrates First Commercial Use of Unmanned Airborne System

ANCHORAGE – ConocoPhillips Alaska announced today that during the past week, using the Insitu Inc. ScanEagle® Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV), the company completed the first approved commercial use of an Unmanned Airborne System (UAS) in the United States. The flight took place in remote Arctic airspace over the Chukchi Sea approximately 120 miles off the coast of Wainwright, AK.

The flight was launched from the *Westward Wind* research vessel, managed and operated by Olgoonik Fairweather LLC. Controlled by a UAS pilot on the *Westward Wind*, the ScanEagle sent real-time video and telemetry to the ground control system on the vessel. Weighing about 40 pounds, the ScanEagle UAV can fly for up to 18 hours on one-and-a-half gallons of fuel.

Flight data will be provided to the FAA, academia and the energy industry. The results should help enable future UAS operations in the Arctic by streamlining the approval process for such flights in the national airspace. The use of UAS has the potential to enhance scientific data collection, including monitoring marine mammals and ice floes.

“Airborne surveillance is often a component of offshore projects,” said Trond-Erik Johansen, president, ConocoPhillips Alaska. “The UAS could be useful in our monitoring and data collection efforts, with the benefit of improved safety and lower noise levels as compared to using manned aircraft.”

The company's flight successfully tested the ScanEagle UAV sensor payload and navigation system. ConocoPhillips will evaluate the data collected and work closely with the FAA to determine the feasibility of future implementation of UAS into the company's environmental studies and site monitoring plans.

Insitu is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Boeing Company. Olgoonik Fairweather LLC is a joint venture between Olgoonik Corporation and Fairweather Science LLC.

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ConocoPhillips is the world's largest independent E&P company based on production and proved reserves. Headquartered in Houston, Texas, ConocoPhillips had operations and activities in 30 countries, \$55 billion in annualized revenue, \$117 billion of total assets, and approximately 17,500 employees as of June 30, 2013. Production from continuing operations averaged 1,531 MBOED for the six months ended June 30, 2013, and proved reserves were 8.6 billion BOE as of Dec. 31, 2012. For more information, go to www.conocophillips.com.

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