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Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 8:18 AM
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Sent: Mon Jun 30 08:16:06 2008
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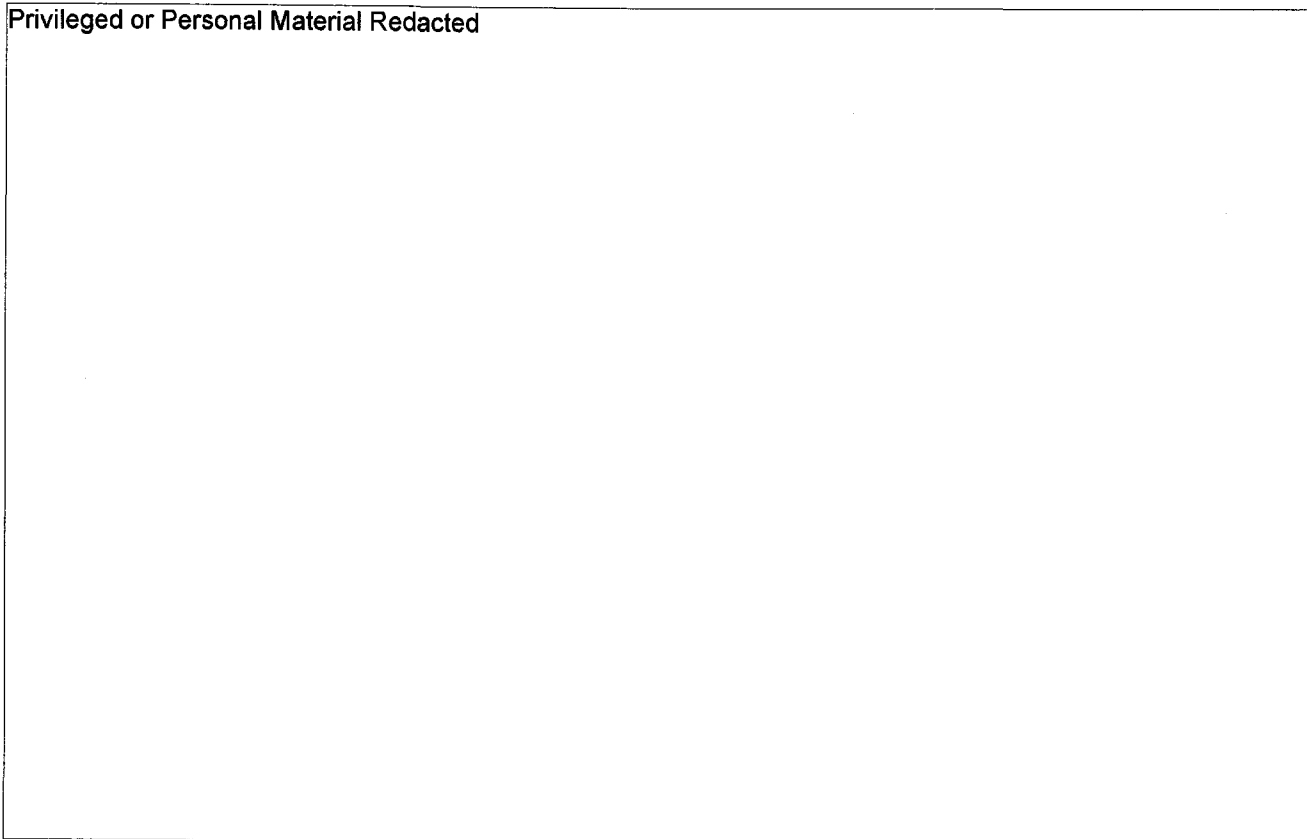
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Cc: Heather
Subject: Re: NGA Flights - Options

I won't do my vacation part of this trip if its only one full day of vacation. Not worth it

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 30 Jun 2008 22:04:38 -0800
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV) <janice.mason@alaska.gov>; <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: <khbruce@gci.net>
Subject: Re: NGA Flights - Options

Janice, if I'm reading the Nevada portion correct, she would leave Monday night and get into LV on Tuesday then departing for Philly on Weds. I would suggest a flight option that would get them in on Monday morning should they decide to go that route. Also AK flies direct there and it may be timelier and as cost effective to do it that way...???

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
To: ExternalEmailgsp
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Kurt & Heather Bruce <khbruce@gci.net>
Sent: Mon Jun 30 17:59:57 2008
Subject: NGA Flights - Options

Governor:

Here are a couple of options for the flights to NGA.

Option 1 – ANC/Philadelphia, PA

Wednesday, July 9, 2008

Depart ANC on Northwest Flt., #844 – 9:30 p.m.

Arrive Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN – 5:47 a.m.

Depart Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN – Flt., #688 – 7:05 a.m.

Arrive Philadelphia, PA – 10:40 a.m. on Thursday, July 10, 2008

The first event at NGA begins Friday, 07.11.08 at 6:30 p.m. (East Coast Time) – It is the Welcome Reception.

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Option 2 – ANC/Philadelphia, PA/Las Vegas, NV

Monday, July 7, 2008

Depart ANC on Northwest Flt., #844 – 9:30 p.m.

Arrive Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN – 5:47 a.m.

Depart Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN – Flt., #775 – 7:00 a.m.

Arrive Las Vegas, NV – 8:18 a.m.

Wednesday, July 9, 2008

Depart Las Vegas, NV on Northwest Flt., # 1196 – 11:15 a.m.

Arrive Detroit, MI – 6:22 p.m.

Depart Detroit, MI – 7:02 p.m.

Arrive Philadelphia, PA – 8:44 p.m.

The NGA Adjournment is 11:30 a.m. on Monday, July 14 –

The RGA Adjournment is 1:30 p.m. on Monday, July 14 (Luncheon)

RETURN Philadelphia, PA – July 15, 2008 to ANC

Depart Philadelphia, PA – Minneapolis/St. Paul – on Northwest Flt., #687 - 11:25 a.m.

Arrive Minneapolis/St. Paul – 1:17 p.m.

Depart Minneapolis/St. Paul – Flt., #849 - 2:35 p.m.

Arrive ANC – 5:20 p.m.

I did not list out pricing – tickets are usually purchased at full fare so that any changes/cancellations can be fully recovered.
Janice

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Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 9:52 PM
To: Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re:

Why must this be done in the next day or two?

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)" <leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 30 Jun 2008 09:14:12 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)<randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Subject:

Governor, DOT&PF needs approval to proceed with a mitigation transaction for the Juneau Access project. The Department has asked Southeast Alaska Land Trust to obtain an in-holding in Point Bridget State Park that is for sale by a family that would like the land to be protected. The cost is approximately \$500,000. While this purchase is to fulfill a mitigation commitment for JA, it can be used to mitigate impacts to marine waters from other projects (e.g. highways along a shore, ferry terminals, an airport in tidelands, etc.) if the JA project is not constructed. This acquisition will be made with federal transportation funds that are already obligated and in-hand for this purpose. The acquisition fulfills a commitment made by FHWA and is supported by resource agencies as it will protect habitat, and will benefit the state parks system because the land will be transferred to the park system rather than be privately developed.

This mitigation process is required by all the resource agencies on all projects through the permitting process. It is a little like the 1% art factor on new buildings.

SEAL Trust must submit a bid by July 3, the deadline set by BIA who holds the land in trust for the Native owner. The funds do not need to be transferred by then, but they need to know if the money will be available as soon as possible before July 3.

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K- if janice finds flts today, pls contact heather to let her know the sched so she and I can get lauden's ticket at the same time. I'll be out of bb range today thanks

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From: K Perry
To: Governor Sarah Palin
To: Rhonda (GOV) McBride
To: Frank Bailey
Cc: M Nizich
Cc: Ivy personal
Sent: Jun 30, 2008 7:02 AM
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Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Ivy personal <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sun Jun 29 19:29:48 2008
Subject: Barrow tomorrow

I'm zipping up to Barrow for a one-day trip to meet w/Mayor Itta and see some whaling celebration, etc. I'll have Ivy ask around about potential boards and commissions members. If there are any issues for me to be aware of that are timely for Itta feel free to let me know.

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Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 8:35 AM
To: DNR OHMP
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); denby_lloyd@fishgame.state.ak.us
Subject: Thank You All!

We in the Commissioner's Office in the Department of Natural Resources want to tell you all that we have enjoyed working with you as an integral part of this department and look forward to our continued relationship as you re-establish yourselves within the Department of Fish and Game. We were very fortunate not to have had to deal with many "upward climbing monkeys" as issues were handled appropriately by you as the professionals you are. Your track record and accomplishments speak for themselves. We are proud of having had the opportunity to learn from you as well as share our realities with you.

Thank you for having been a part of DNR's Office of Habitat Management and Permitting and the larger DNR family. Our best to each of you as you move forward with your careers!

Thank you for a great job!
Tom Irwin, Commissioner
Marty Rutherford, Deputy Commissioner
Dick LeFebvre, Deputy Commissioner

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Does he realize we are very supportive of in state also and I've asked the AGIA team to ramp up that message publicly, as I fear that message was lost through the revealing of the TC-Alaska "big line" plan? Marty could provide the Senator more information on precisely what we're doing to ensure in-state use and benefits of our gas. (I'd hope his testimony would acknowledge that we're on the same page with in-state.)

Also, hopefully he could weave in that our Surplus Revenue Return proposal shows how oil/gas revenue DOES help ourselves as we attempt to relieve burdens on AK residents by returning surplus dollars to them to help meet the rising cost of living - it's a short term plan as we work towards conservation and long term energy relief plans.

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Senator Stevens contacted me last night to find out what you would think about his testifying at the special session on in-state energy issues.

He does support an in-state solution. However, his primary objective would be to show the Congress how state oil revenues can be used to benefit the citizenry. He believes that the second special session will exemplify how opening ANWR and offshore areas in Alaska would provide significant non-tax revenues to the U.S. Treasury, thereby benefitting the economy in several ways.

For whatever it's worth, I believe that this is a good idea. I'm not sure that anything will budge the Democratic Leadership in Congress, but the publicity should help keep the spotlight on Alaska's oil and gas resources.

I think that the ultimate decision about his testifying must be made by the Legislature. However, the Senator didn't want to proceed without your approval. My guess is that the beneficial electoral implications are not lost on the Senator, either.

I also mentioned to him that we would probably respond to Dan Fagan's Sunday column, which I characterized as beyond fair criticism of a politician in a situation where Fagan had previously been apprized of the facts.

Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

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Cc: M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Kelly Goode<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Kel Goode<kellyc@acsalaska.net>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

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Further- how was this "complaint" received, by who, and when/where?

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Date: Tue, 1 Jul 2008 05:41:57

To: Walt Monegan<walt.monegan@alaska.gov>

Cc: M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Kelly Goode<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Kel Goode<kellyc@acsalaska.net>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

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Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 10:49 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter for Mary Glazier re: Japanese Prayer Convocation

Governor,

Mary and Cheryl assisted me with the content, yes. Kris had me run it past Nizich, and we tweaked it a bit before sending it with Mary this morning. She was thrilled with the letter and the Alaska book and promised to provide a thorough report on her trip :)

Please let me know if you have any further questions. Thank you,

Kate

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To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Schedule - Week of July 1 - 8, 2008

Governor -

In talking with Kelly today via phone she had mentioned that you may want to come to Juneau for the 4th of July weekend and then go to Anchorage/King Salmon for bill signing before departing for NGA on Wednesday, 07.09.08 p.m.

Option 1: Depart ANC to JNU - Wednesday, 07.02.08 - AK Flt., #74 - 6:50 p.m.

Arrive JNU - 8:32 p.m.

Note: We do need to do a couple of tapings - Gasline Briefing and Miss Alaska DVD in the office.

Option 2: Depart ANC to JNU - Thursday, 07.03.08 - AK Flt., #64 - 1:37 p.m.

Arrive JNU - 3:24 p.m.

Juneau Fireworks are at midnight on Thursda

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From: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LVON_SCHEBEN]

Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 9:14 AM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)

Governor, DOT&PF needs approval to proceed with a mitigation transaction for the Juneau Access project. The Department has asked Southeast Alaska Land Trust to obtain an in-holding in Point Bridget State Park that is for sale by a family that would like the land to be protected. The cost is approximately \$500,000. While this purchase is to fulfill a mitigation commitment for JA, it can be used to mitigate impacts to marine waters from other projects (e.g. highways along a shore, ferry terminals, an airport in tidelands, etc.) if the JA project is not constructed. This acquisition will be made with federal transportation funds that are already obligated and in-hand for this purpose. The acquisition fulfills a commitment made by FHWA and is supported by resource agencies as it will protect habitat, and will benefit the state parks system because the land will be transferred to the park system rather than be privately developed.

This mitigation process is required by all the resource agencies on all projects through the permitting process. It is a little like the 1% art factor on new buildings.

SEAL Trust must submit a bid by July 3, the deadline set by BIA who holds the land in trust for the Native owner. The funds do not need to be transferred by then, but they need to know if the money will be available as soon as possible before July 3.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 10:30 PM
To: McBride; Rhonda (GOV)
Subject: Re: Barrow Addendum

She was awesome! Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: Rhonda (GOV) McBride
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jun 30, 2008 8:26 AM
Subject: Barrow Addendum

If you see Janelle Everett, give her a big hug for me. Janelle is news director at KBRW. Once while she was on an extended vacation in her home state of Alabama, she stored her parka in my house. My God. The darned thing weighed almost as much as me. And that's a lot.

You can't miss Janelle. She's big, black and beautiful. She's one of Alaska's veteran radio reporters -- having worked in Bethel and Kodiak as well as Barrow.

Also a quick correx. Barrow's Dalton Hwy Corridor hearing is July 23rd, not June 23rd.

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Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 10:28 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: 'khbruce@gci.net'
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Sent: Mon Jun 30 22:03:23 2008
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I won't do my vacation part of this trip if its only one full day of vacation. Not worth it

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 10:07 PM
To: Todd; Kel personal; Goode; Kelly C (GOV); K Perry Yahoo
Subject: Fw: Walt

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 1 Jul 2008 06:06:39

To: Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Walt

When where how

-----Original Message-----

From: Frank Bailey

To: Sarah's Personal Email

ReplyTo: Frank Bailey

Sent: Jun 30, 2008 10:06 PM

Subject: Walt

Just caught him at home.

He said the complaint did come from Lyda to John Glass who passed it to him.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 10:43 PM
To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: two things

What are details of the report? Who, what, where, what was I supposedly driving, etc?

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From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 30 Jun 2008 22:42:59 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: two things

Governor, Randy and I have been going over the report and its probably not something we want to have circulated just yet. I will get a summary to you but if you need to respond to Walt just tell him it is still being reviewed.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Mon 6/30/2008 9:41 PM
To: Monegan, Walt C (DPS)
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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 4:16 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Senator Stevens contacted me last night to find out what you would think about his testifying at the special session on in-state energy issues.

He does support an in-state solution. However, his primary objective would be to show the Congress how state oil revenues can be used to benefit the citizenry. He believes that the second special session will exemplify how opening ANWR and offshore areas in Alaska would provide significant non-tax revenues to the U.S. Treasury, thereby benefitting the economy in several ways.

For whatever it's worth, I believe that this is a good idea. I'm not sure that anything will budge the Democratic Leadership in Congress, but the publicity should help keep the spotlight on Alaska's oil and gas resources.

I think that the ultimate decision about his testifying must be made by the Legislature. However, the Senator didn't want to proceed without your approval. My guess is that the beneficial electoral implications are not lost on the Senator, either.

I also mentioned to him that we would probably respond to Dan Fagan's Sunday column, which I characterized as beyond fair criticism of a politician in a situation where Fagan had previously been apprized of the facts.

Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

John W. Katz
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and Special Counsel to the Governor
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Importance: High

Further- how was this "complaint" received, by who, and when/where?

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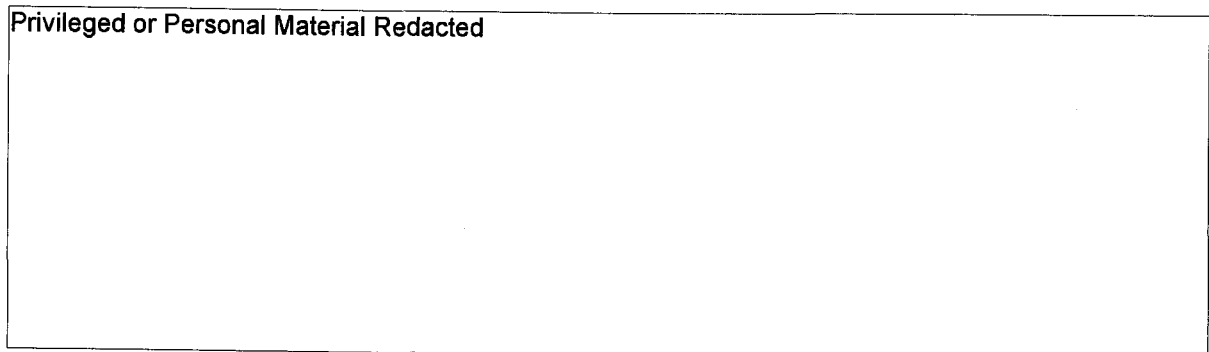
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Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: Update

Pls don't wait for me to get the op ed out. It needs to be out asap.

We're now in fairbanks. We didn't know the flight landed here before heading to Anchorage, so it'll be after midnight that I arrive in the valley. So don't look for me in the morning. Barrow was good- but very long travel home. Had we known, we'd have taken them up on their offer to return on the 2 hr flight on their jet. Trig is ready to be home and fed... as am I.

-----Original Message-----

From: K Perry Yahoo
To: Governor Sarah Palin
ReplyTo: K Perry Yahoo
Sent: Jun 30, 2008 8:18 PM
Subject: Update

We worked through several iterations of the op ed response to Fagan today. We're sending it out for a final review and will have a draft for you in the morning. ADN knows, and we'll send it to them tomorrow.

Today on Fagan's show, he was largely talking about other things - starting off with Billy Boy McAllister. I was only able to catch bits and pieces. But, one thing he said about statehood is that he's rec'd a lot of hate mail from his Sunday editorial. In reviewing the blog comments, I was pleasantly surprised to see that the majority of them were against him (and Gail). I think this all needs to be considered, along with input I've rec'd from others, on the op ed piece.

Hope all went well in Barrow. Heard the weather was great. Wish I could have gone as I've never been but it is good I stayed, it was another busy day at office. All good though. Nizich will be up in the morning.

Also, I picked up your suburban and it's parked at the house.

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To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Lefebvre; Richard A (DNR); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Repayment

But I didn't see it on Andrew's Blog! Are you sure?

Congratulations, team.

----- Original Message -----

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Cc: Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jun 30 20:24:07 2008
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Thanks to the success of the auction, Mat Maid is paying back the \$600k appropriation to the state. Kristan requested that a check be cut today. This is great news.

Kris

Unknown

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Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 2:01 PM
To: Rintala; Jessalynn F (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2008 3:00 PM
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Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Douglas Brooks
address: 452 Carrington Lane Douglasville GA 30135
678 715 8179

MESSAGE:

To The Honorable Sarah Palin

Governor, State of Alaska

Mrs. Palin:

As a life long Republican, I, along with many others, hope that you will come to the aid of your party and our great country and serve as our next Vice-President. Our party and our country need you. Our country is facing a crucial time in our history, not or whether or not Obama is elected but in many other areas. Our economy is almost in total ruin, our security is again facing a challenge, not just from without but from within, as the Supreme Court has now given our enemies the same rights as a citizen has. Schools have openly banned even the Pledge of Allegiance. Our borders are still not secured and far too many cities are clearly defying our laws by being sanctuary cites.

It is in times, such as these, that our country needs leadership, and I, along with many of my friends, believe that you along with Senator McCain will and can provide that leadership. As you can see, I am not a resident of the great State of Alaska, but even here in Georgia, we have heard about you and the great things you have done there.

If there is anyway that I can help you, please let me know. I will write letters to Senator McCain, start a 527, or whatever it takes to help ensure that you are our next Vice-President.

Thank you for your time and my prayers are with you.

Douglas M. Brooks

dmb73@comcast.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 1:58 PM
To: Rintala; Jessalynn F (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2008 2:49 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Richard Casey
address: 912 E. Ridgecrest Road Fort Collins CO 80524
970-980-5975

MESSAGE:

Sarah Palin should run for Vice President of the United States. She is terrific! A vote from Colorado.

rcasey@rmcbiosciences.com

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Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 1:58 PM
To: Rintala; Jessalynn F (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2008 2:42 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. William McKane
address: 1306 Spruce Street Yankton SD 57078

MESSAGE:

Recently I heard Governor Palin interviewed by Larry Kudlow on CNBC, and I think that she would make a first-rate running mate for Senator John McCain. Please encourage her to accept if asked! What can we do to encourage Senator McCain to put her on the ticket? She is clearly a very winsome political leader. Congratulations to Alaska for choosing such a governor. Go Sarah!

Sincerely,

Fr. William Paul McKane

zetesis@iw.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 1:45 PM
To: Rintala; Jessalynn F (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2008 1:09 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Bill Kuehn
address: 7464 S. Depew St. Littleton AK 80128
303-979-5050

MESSAGE:

Please consider being the V.P. on the Republican ticket.

This morning Bill Cristel on Fox said you would be the best. I've heard you are a female Ronald Regan. You are also for drilling for oil in your state.

I'm excited about you and what you could do. I'll be looking forward to learning more about you.

I know it would be difficult to move your family to D.C. but you would be doing a lot for your country.

I hope you get lots more e-mails like this. I'm a super Republican who is not passionate about McCain but with you on the ticket I and others like me would be super energized.

Thanks for your time and God's speed in whatever you do,

Bill

bill@toughteams.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 11:34 AM
To: Rintala; Jessalynn F (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2008 8:42 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: keith mundy
address: 187 kino springs dr. nogales AZ 85621

MESSAGE:

Nice letter to Congress. Maybe you should run at some point in time. I sure as hell would vote for you.

Have a great day and good luck in the future.....

Keith A. Mundy

Dir. of Golf

Kino Springs G.C.

kinospringsgolf@theriver.com

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From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2008 7:50 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Carol Brannock
address: 119 Victory Circle Willow Spring NC 27592

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I am deeply concerned for our country. For the first time today I heard some politicians discussing running mates for John McCain. Your name was among the list. So, I have done my research and find your contributions to Alaska remarkable.

I live in North Carolina and am a retired teacher of 30 years of service. I hope that you do become the VP nominee and that you make education one of your priorities. My daughter is a teacher and my son will soon be one. Both have and will have exorbitant educational loans to repay on less pay than they should have as teachers.

I am excited about the possibility that you may be our next vice president!

Carol

beachnc4@aol.com

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From: McBride, Rhonda (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RMFAUBION]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 8:27 AM
To: Sarah Palin
Subject: Barrow Addendum

If you see Janelle Everett, give her a big hug for me. Janelle is news director at KBRW. Once while she was on an extended vacation in her home state of Alabama, she stored her parka in my house. My God. The darned thing weighed almost as much as me. And that's a lot.

You can't miss Janelle. She's big, black and beautiful. She's one of Alaska's veteran radio reporters -- having worked in Bethel and Kodiak as well as Barrow.

Also a quick correx. Barrow's Dalton Hwy Corridor hearing is July 23rd, not June 23rd.

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 6:00 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Kurt & Heather Bruce
Subject: NGA Flights - Options

Governor:

Here are a couple of options for the flights to NGA.

Option 1 - ANC/Philadelphia, PA

Wednesday, July 9, 2008

Depart ANC on Northwest Flt., #844 - 9:30 p.m.

Arrive Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN - 5:47 a.m.

Depart Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN - Flt., #688 - 7:05 a.m.

Arrive Philadelphia, PA - 10:40 a.m. on Thursday, July 10, 2008

The first event at NGA begins Friday, 07.11.08 at 6:30 p.m. (East Coast Time) - It is the Welcome Reception.

Option 2 - ANC/Philadelphia, PA/Las Vegas, NV

Monday, July 7, 2008

Depart ANC on Northwest Flt., #844 - 9:30 p.m.

Arrive Minne

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 10:06 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: FW: Land purchase requested by Leo

Governor:

I have gone over this with Leo and the project manager. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted
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Thanks,

Randy

From: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 9:14 AM
To: ExternalEmailgsp
Cc: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)
Subject:

Governor, DOT&PF needs approval to proceed with a mitigation transaction for the Juneau Access project. The Department has asked Southeast Alaska Land Trust to obtain an in-holding in Point Bridget State Park that is for sale by a family that would like the land to be protected. The cost is approximately \$500,000. While this purchase is to fulfill a mitigation commitment for JA, it can be used to mitigate impacts to marine waters from other projects (e.g. highways along a shore, ferry terminals, an airport in tidelands, etc.) if the JA project is not constructed. This acquisition will be made with federal transportation funds that are already obligated and in-hand for this purpose. The acquisition fulfills a commitment made by FHWA and is supported by resource agencies as it will protect habitat, and will benefit the state parks system because the land will be transferred to the park system rather than be privately developed.

This mitigation process is required by all the resource agencies on all projects through the permitting process. It is a little like the 1% art factor on new buildings.

SEAL Trust must submit a bid by July 3, the deadline set by BIA who holds the land in trust for the Native owner. The funds do not need to be transferred by then, but they need to know if the money will be available as soon as possible before July 3.

LEO

8/26/2009

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 1:57 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: FYI-Complaint filed against NMFS/Commerce over listing delay for Cook Inlet Beluga Whale

Dear Governor Palin,

Just for your information. The attachment, in case it does not open, is a complaint filed by various environmental groups against the National Marine Fisheries Service for failing to act in a timely manner to list beluga whales under the endangered species act.

Just saw the unveiling of the Peratrovich statue downtown. Begich and Diane Benson did the talking. Begich acknowledged Sen. Ted Stevens but did not invite him forward or offer him a chance to talk. Sen. Stevens then left the scene completely just as it started. After the statue was unveiled then Begich remembered to invite Lt. Gov. Parnell to speak. The Lt. Gov. spoke and read part of your letter which was presented to the artist. In the crowd were Arlis, Fran, Steve Reiger, the Peratrovich family members, a few others and mostly tourists.

Talis

From: Meyen, Bradley E (LAW)
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 1:49 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Tillery, Craig J (LAW); Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)
Cc: Daugherty, Steven A (LAW)
Subject: FYI-Complaint filed against NMFS/Commerce over listing delay for Cook Inlet Beluga Whale

Greetings: Please see the above complaint filed by five organizations and relating to Cook Inlet Beluga Whales. The web site for the Center for Biological Diversity states that the complaint was filed today, June 30, 2008, in the District Court for the District of Columbia. The complaint challenges the 6 month extension invoked by NMFS under the ESA on April 22, 2008. CBD filed a 60 day notice of intent to sue on April 23, 2008. NMFS and the Secretary of Commerce have 60 days to respond to the complaint. I will verify the filing with the District Court for the District of Columbia and check on any motions that may have been filed at the same time. I have provided this information to ADF&G. Brad

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8/27/2009

From: "Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)" <leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 30 Jun 2008 09:14:12 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

CC: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

Subject:

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LEO

8/25/2009

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 7:37 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Rowland; Mindy B (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Thank You All!

Can you let the public know of this? Remember critics said we'd never actually follow through with this- Alaskans need to know of your great work with this! We can do a presser...

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 07:24:41 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fw: Thank You All!

Habitat has been formally moved back to ADFG. I thought you would want to see this letter from DNR to Habitat.

Governor, thanks for all your support in this move. Another accomplishment for Alaska. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR)
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 07:10:23 2008
Subject: FW: Thank You All!

From: Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR)
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 8:35 AM
To: DNR OHMP
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); denby_loyd@fishgame.state.ak.us
Subject: Thank You All!

We in the Commissioner's Office in the Department of Natural Resources want to tell you all that we have enjoyed working with you as an integral part of this department and look forward to our continued relationship as you re-establish yourselves within the Department of Fish and Game. We were very fortunate not to have had to deal with many "upward climbing monkeys" as issues were handled appropriately by you as the professionals you are. Your track record and accomplishments speak for themselves. We are proud of having had the opportunity to learn from you as well as share our realities with you.

Thank you for having been a part of DNR's Office of Habitat Management and Permitting and the larger DNR family. Our best to each of you as you move forward with your careers!

Thank you for a great job!
Tom Irwin, Commissioner
Marty Rutherford, Deputy Commissioner
Dick LeFebvre, Deputy Commissioner

9/18/2009

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 7:59 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Will do immediately.

John W. Katz
Director of State/Federal Relations
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<D12754A53B2AED468149A15236EB769484E495@SOAJNUMSG02.soa.alask
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Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
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Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

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Does this sound like a plan?

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July 1, 2008

Contacts: Aaron Saunders (907) 271-5915

Steve Wackowski (202) 224-5122

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in Anchorage and Fairbanks

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To attend, members of the press must RSVP to: aaron_saunders@stevens.senate.gov or steve_wackowski@stevens.senate.gov.

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Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov> wrote:

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Does he realize we are very supportive of in_state also and I've asked the AGIA team to ramp up that message publicly, as I fear that message was lost through the revealing of the TC-Alaska "big line" plan? Marty could provide the Senator more information on precisely what we're doing to ensure in-state use and benefits of our gas. (I'd hope his testimony would acknowledge that we're on the same page with in-state.)

Also, hopefully he could weave in that our Surplus Revenue Return proposal shows how oil/gas revenue DOES help ourselves as we attempt to relieve burdens on AK residents by returning surplus dollars to them to help meet the rising cost of living - it's a short term plan as we work towards conservation and long term energy relief plans.

----- Original Message -----

From: John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 04:16:08 2008
Subject: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Senator Stevens contacted me last night to find out what you would think about his testifying at the special session on in-state energy issues.

He does support an in-state solution. However, his primary objective would be to show the Congress how state oil revenues can be used to benefit the citizenry. He believes that the second special session will exemplify how opening ANWR and offshore areas in Alaska would provide significant non-tax revenues to the U.S. Treasury, thereby benefitting the economy in several ways.

For whatever it's worth, I believe that this is a good idea. I'm not sure that anything will budge the Democratic Leadership in Congress, but the publicity should help keep the spotlight on Alaska's oil and gas resources.

I think that the ultimate decision about his testifying must be made by the Legislature. However, the Senator didn't want to proceed without your approval. My guess is that the beneficial electoral implications are not lost on the Senator, either.

I also mentioned to him that we would probably respond to Dan Fagan's Sunday column, which I characterized as beyond fair criticism of a politician in a situation where Fagan had previously been apprized of the facts.

Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

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Unknown

From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 12:37 PM
To: Joseph Balash; Marty Rutherford
Cc: Mike Nizich; Governor Sarah Palin
Subject: Senator Stevens/Energy - CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Per our conversation, I have sent the communication below to Senator Stevens. Hopefully, it captures the essence of what we discussed.

As I mentioned, I communicated earlier today with the Senator to emphasize the Governor's commitment to the in-state use of natural gas and to seek support for the use of petroleum dollars to defray citizen's energy costs.

If I hear anything further, I will let you know.

P.S.

Should I provide a "heads up" to Senator Murkowski as well?

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>>> On 7/1/2008 at 4:27 PM, in message <486A5ADA.CD3B.0090.3@ALASKADC.org>, John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org> wrote:

I was just advised by two members of the Governor's gas team, and I thought that you should know as well, that tomorrow there will be a press advisory announcing a press conference on Monday at which the State will announce a two-phase public/private partnership to bring affordable natural gas to residents of the railbelt. The gas team believes that this project will underscore the importance that the Governor attaches to in-state production and use of natural gas.

As you can imagine, rumors are swirling about your two energy related press events. The gas team feels that we have made significant progress under AGIA, especially in terms of the Trans-Canada proposal but also the competition for transport that it has generated. The team is hoping that you have come to this conclusion as well and is willing to provide further information to you if that would be helpful.

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From: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RHUGHES]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:44 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: RE: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Will do, Governor. Will e-mail them now.

Rosanne Hughes
Director of External Communications
(907) 269-7450

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:41 AM
To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Pls follow up w them then. Thanks

----- Original Message -----

From: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 08:27:50 2008
Subject: RE: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

I haven't heard of anything, Governor, nor seen anything from them.

Rosanne Hughes
Director of External Communications
(907) 269-7450

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:25 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Did the team ever follow up on the public messaging they were to do on this issue? (That was two wks ago...):

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: 'ivyfrye@yahoo.com' <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 08:21:06 2008
Subject: Fw: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

All opportunities need to be seized to get that msg out... Kris, did you ever see anything from Marty or Joe on messaging this after the gasline mtg in my office two wks ago? Remember they were going to do a public statement? Pls let them know that now even the Senator is on it bc we haven't been out there with the msg we've asked them to ramp up.

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Sent: Tue Jul 01 04:16:08 2008

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From: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RHUGHES]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:28 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: RE: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

I haven't heard of anything, Governor, nor seen anything from them.

Rosanne Hughes
Director of External Communications
(907) 269-7450

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:25 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Did the team ever follow up on the public messaging they were to do on this issue? (That was two wks ago...):

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
To: 'ivyfrye@yahoo.com' <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 08:21:06 2008
Subject: Fw: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

All opportunities need to be seized to get that msg out... Kris, did you ever see anything from Marty or Joe on messaging this after the gasline mtg in my office two wks ago? Remember they were going to do a public statement? Pls let them know that now even the Senator is on it bc we haven't been out there with the msg we've asked them to ramp up.

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 9:17 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Rintala; Jessalynn F (GOV)
Subject: RE: Other

Importance: High

I think this one needs to have the letter from Michelle (Jessalynn) that states "due to many requests of this nature - the Governor is not able to contribute at this time, etc."
Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 9:02 AM
To: Rintala, Jessalynn F (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 2:53 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Jessica Cha

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]

Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 4:58 PM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: pageant

The pageant is July 19th. They were talking about waiting for Molly to get back or use a scanned version of what is in the book for the photo, and I told Kate to proceed without. We're fine for the DVD though; it will be a 45 second script and will be scheduled for Monday sometime while Jason and Andy are here for the press conf. We'll allow for enough time.

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From: Morgan, Katryn L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KLMORGAN]
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 2:18 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Miss America Script

Governor,

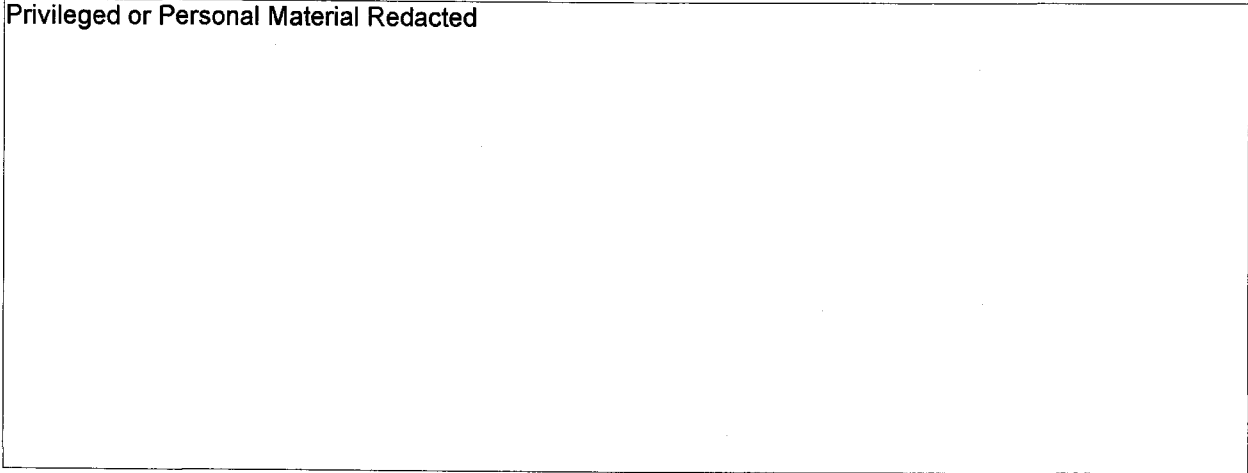
I thought you might want to approve the Miss America script before shooting the congrats video, so you have it here as an attachment, as well as in the body of the email. Two things to be aware of: first, with your family out of country, I haven't had any success in tracking down your Miss Wasilla photo; I've let Bonnie Faulk know it might not appear in the video. Second, just so you're aware of the presentation, the Wendy Williamson Auditorium will be dark, the velvet curtains will pull back, and they'll roll your tape. Essentially, you are the very beginning of the program. Bonnie is so excited that you've agreed to do a welcome video; she feels it really conveys to the girls that there is nothing they can't do. Please let me know if you'd like to see any changes in the script. Thanks so much!

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Thank you☺

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From: Morgan, Katryn L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KLMORGAN]
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 12:31 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Greta Clark: Vision for the Yupik People

Governor,

I wanted to convey the conversation that I had with Greta Clark, the woman you met at One Lord Sunday in the Valley. Greta wanted to share with you the vision that she felt God had given her for the Yupik people in particular, but which is applicable for all Natives; you asked me to get her phone number so that our office might contact her later.

Greta is a Christian and a prayer warrior, and she says there is still a tremendous amount of pain in Alaska's Native communities due to Non-native on Native injustice and duplicity. When she visits these communities with her ministry, she tells them of the apologies she's received from Non-natives for the way the Native people have been treated, apologies that have helped her move forward. She says that – especially in the far north – they respond with, "We have not heard this! We're hurt! They broke our trust, stole from us, and hurt us. We don't believe what you have said they say."

Greta longs for reconciliation and healing. She believes this can only begin with a public apology. She said that it needs to be someone who can reach across the line of pain, eventually suggesting that if you felt God lead you in this direction, that you be the one to issue such an apology at an upcoming AFN conference, if the opportunity presented itself. Greta believes that a public apology would begin deep healing, bring political alignment, and provide opportunity for the Native communities – right now, Greta says that most far north Native communities are NOT supportive of AGIA, because they fear the land will be ruined or taken from them even further. She thinks they would support your efforts to build a gasline, if they knew that you loved them and were caring for their best interests. She mentioned Todd, saying that the fact that your husband is Native would strengthen the impact your apology would have. Greta believes that the apology would help Native communities move past their pain.

I asked Greta if she was connected to a prayer network, and she laughed and said, "Oh, yes!" She said they keep you in their prayers, and are constantly bringing their wounded people before God. I thanked her and asked her to continue to do so; in the case that you speak at future AFN's, you will most certainly have prayer cover from the Native community.

I don't know what your upcoming schedule looks like, although I'm certain it's busy; but if you do have such an opportunity, and you feel you should take it, I would be privileged to assist you with remarks to move forward on the path to reconciliation. Please let me know if you have any questions for me regarding this conversation/topic, and thank you for your time.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 8:10 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: FW: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 8:09 AM
To: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Subject: RE: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

☺ The Sheffield meeting is at 11am. Meg, once you hear let me know so I can change w/him if necessary.

From: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 8:07 AM
To: ExternalEmailgsp; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: RE: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

you both are making me nervous. ;)

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wed 7/2/2008 8:02 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Yeah, me too
;)

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 07:41:07 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR) <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>
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Um, no ;) I pulled over

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To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Sent: Wed Jul 02 07:29:41 2008
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Amen.

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U textin and drivin? Didn't u just pass a law... ;)

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 07:20:38 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
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P.s. If ok w/ts, it would be great. Strong msg.

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Kris: Rosanne can't print the attachments for me, she emailed that she's at the airport... did she cc you in her reply to me on that (I already deleted it). If not, she should have.
I'll reschedule with Wally and will even go to his office to get chewed out instead of missing TS's presser, if TS wants me there. I just need to know when and where and if he wants me there.

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CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR) <kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>; Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR) <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
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Governor,

Good morning! I wanted to make sure that you received this information, as Katz sent to your GOV sponsored email address and not the yahoo address. Kurt and I were pulled into this conversation yesterday and began working an independent stream to get information to you. I hope that we are adding to your knowledge and not repeating information that you already have.

The note below and the attached are in preparation for this morning and any potential questions you receive regarding Senator Stevens' energy announcement this morning. The first attachment entitled "Senator Stevens Visit kkg" is a set of talking points / statement that you could make regarding the energy announcement today. The second attachment entitled "Stevens Conversation" reflects the notes / outline I made following several conversations yesterday with Stevens' staffers, including his energy policy coordinator, his deputy chief of staff, and some of his communications folks. I don't know if you agree with everything the Senator is going to announce but the notes reflect what he will announce today.

The bottomline in all this is how incredibly excited his staffers were to be speaking with someone from your office other than Katz. Based upon their reaction, they see your offices in Alaska as different and more personally reflective of you than John Katz who is absolutely wonderful, but an expected and necessary relationship. I used to converse with them (communications side) and they said that no one's called them to discuss matters other than Katz on a daily basis, and they were excited that your office was reaching out again and engaging them. It should be a positive experience today and no need for any defensive talk or action.

When I called the Senator's office, I mentioned that I was interested in the Senator's specific remarks today because you were most likely going to be contacted and wanted to be able to make positive comments about the Senator's efforts and see how

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we could work together. They were thrilled and immediately the calls came in with the specifics and even asking questions of you: do you have any ideas to encourage fuel efficiency / transportation cost effectiveness on the stateside? And do you know if nuclear power is prohibited in the state and is there anything we can do to work on that?

At this point, we need direction from you as to what you'd like to do. If you wanted to stand with the Senator during the press conference, we can push for that and arrange that as they first mentioned that as an option yesterday and I merely said that I wasn't prepared to speak to your schedule and didn't even know if you were in town. Would you like to attend the press conference? Would you like to issue a press statement or a press release touting his plan (we'll have someone at the press conference to ensure that the Senator stays with his comments)? Or would you just like to wait for press calls and handle it that way?

Once you know the direction, I'll work up something for you and assist Sharon in meeting your goals for today.

Thank you, Governor.
Meghan

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Subject: CONFIDENTIAL: Governor & Stevens

Welcome back. It will be good to work with you again.

I'm not sure where to start. It appears that an awful lot of people are now involved in these dynamics.

Senator Stevens sent me an email two days ago asking me to consult with the Governor on a few specific points. I have responded twice to him by email, and he replied last night. He has not been copying his staff on our email exchange. So, I haven't either.

I'll summarize my communications with him, the Governor, and the gas team as follows -

- * The Senator wants to work with the Governor on a bi-partisan basis to develop an energy policy that addresses national and state concerns.
- * He may want to speak to the Legislature, and the Governor doesn't seem to have a problem with this. This could be as early as July 10th.
- * The Senator wants to point to Alaska as a good case history for how petroleum dollars can be used to address short and long-term needs. Right now, the cost of energy in urban and rural Alaska.
- * The Governor asked me to emphasize the high priority we attached to in-state production and use of natural gas, and I have.
- * The gas team asked me to mention that, next Monday, the Governor will announce a two-step, public/private partnership to provide affordable natural gas to the railbelt.
- * The Governor and the gas team asked me to emphasize the value of AGIA and the hope that we can work with the Senator on this.
- * This morning, I received a very warm email from the Senator. He did not comment specifically on all of the points I raised. However, he clearly wants to work with the State and the Legislature on a friendly, bi-partisan basis.

A couple of other points. Much of the Senator's outline is premised on opening ANWR and using the revenues therefrom. Circumstances are changing slowly for the better. However, the Democratic leadership in Congress appears adamantly

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opposed to opening ANWR or more of the OCS.

We have fought for federal OCS revenue sharing with states for years and have come close on prior occasions. In the current budget climate, this appears to be a tough sell.

I hope this helps. Please let me know if you need anything more.

p.s. I have copied everyone who is working on these issues so that we are all aware of what has occurred thus far. Please keep in confidence.

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>>> On 7/2/2008 at 1:25 AM, in message
<2E222297579BD54CBF7BFB95C542C28ECE782A@SOAANCMMSG03.soa.alaska.gov>, "Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)"
<meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov> wrote:

John,

Good morning!

First of all, I am back assisting the Governor with Gasline Communications. So, hello again!

Secondly, in that capacity, Kurt Gibson (Member of Gasline Team / Division of Oil & Gas) and I have been working on potential talking points for the Governor if she's asked about the Senator's energy plans or if she's asked to participate in the press conference. Earlier today, I reached out to some of those on his staff that I know and they were incredibly receptive to assisting us and pleased that someone from Alaska actually called them to say hello and ask for information. One even suggested that the Governor might stand with the Senator which probably doesn't even work with her schedule, but I don't know. At this point, we're treating this press conference as something she may have to respond to and we'd like to do so in a positive manner.

Kris Perry said that you've also got information that no one else has regarding the bullet line. And so as I put the talking points together and outline my conversation with his office, I was wondering if you could check against your information and add to it. Ideally, you and I would have this done by 10am ish, if that works with your schedule, so that the Governor can look at this first thing in the morning.

Thanks so much,
Meghan

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 2:42 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: correct second sentence of first paragraph of last email

Dear Governor Palin,

Second sentence of the first paragraph in the last email should read: "I am not sending" the letter rather than "Noting". In other words I will send the letter after you have given the green light. Talis

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]

Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 3:52 PM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Begich

Would like to talk w/you briefly if you could call his cell. If not, I can schedule a time.

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*Kris Perry, Director
Office of Governor Sarah Palin &
Office of International Trade
907.269.7450 (p)
907.269.7463 (f)*

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JFRYE]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 3:12 PM
To: Sarah Palin; fek9wnr@yahoo.com
Subject: FW: Look it's Piper!!!

Copy the link into your browser. It's Pip in Barrow :)

From: Stepovich, Melissa M (GOV)
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 3:04 PM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Frye, Ivy J (GOV); Bailey, Frank T (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
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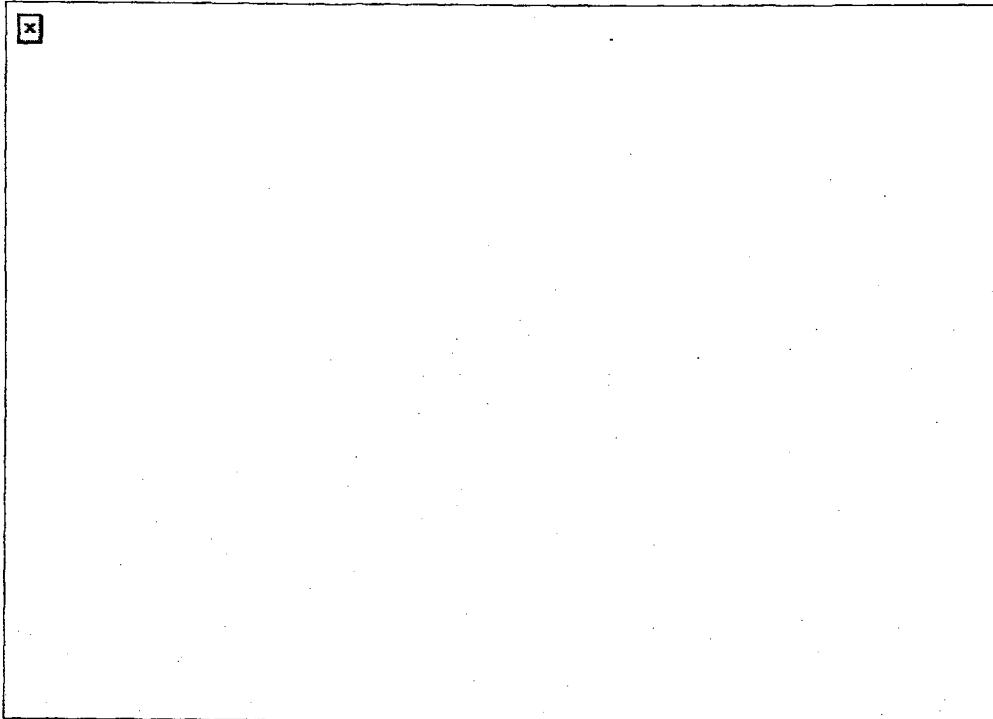
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From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=FTBAILEY]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 3:07 PM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'; 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'
Cc: 'ivyfrye@yahoo.com'; 'kellyc@acsalaska.net'
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From: Goode, Kelly C (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KCGOODE]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 1:28 PM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Keller asked to resign

Perfect timing. I have put together a list of items with names and addresses so we can send thank yous.

-----Original Message-----

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To: Ivy personal; Goode, Kelly C (GOV)
Subject: Re: Keller asked to resign

Any idea where the barrow things ended up from yesterday so Itta and others can be thanked?

-----Original Message-----

From: Ivy personal
To: Sarah's Personal Email
To: K Perry Yahoo
To: Todd
To: Frank Bailey
ReplyTo: Ivy personal
Sent: Jul 1, 2008 10:41 AM
Subject: Keller asked to resign

Keller asked to resign

By Michael Rovito/Frontiersman

Published on Tuesday, July 1, 2008 10:17 AM AKDT

WASILLA -- The Wasilla City Council voted late Monday night to approve a resolution asking Mayor Dianne M. Keller to resign.

The decision came after hours of testimony from the public, Keller and other city officials involved in a damaging report from an independent law firm accusing some in the city of acting inappropriately in dealings with a private developer.

The resolution passed 4-1, with Deputy Mayor Kristofer D. Larson in opposition. Councilman Doug Holler was not present at the meeting.

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+bigad/130326-1212108860.gif?r=http://www.dancersworkshopak.org](http://adsys.townnews.com/c63136395/creative/frontiersman.com/bigad/130326-1212108860.gif?r=http://www.dancersworkshopak.org)> The Frontiersman will
update this story throughout the morning.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 2:30 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: Juneau Access Land Purchase

Thanks Randy.
Now does something like this purchase need legislative approval?

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 14:31:10 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: Juneau Access Land Purchase

Governor:

I am not sure who Leo is referring to as staff that was informed of this a year ago. I have been onboard for going on my 8th month, and got notice of the need for a purchase about a month ago and the time crunch aspect of it at a meeting with Leo and Frank last week.

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The rest of the project remains in a holding pattern while we wait for the court decisions.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 2:27 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: please approve
Great thanks!

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 14:27:08 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: please approve

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No. 08-XXX

Habitat Department Transitions from Natural Resources Department

July 1, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin today praised the work of state officials in completing the transition of the Habitat Division from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G). The move, initiated by Governor Palin earlier this year in Executive Order 114, reversed a decision by the prior administration. After extensive discussions with community leaders and after hearing the concerns of numerous Alaskans, the Governor decided that the division belonged in what had been its traditional home at ADF&G.

"I appreciate the cooperation between the two agencies as this important transition comes to fruition," Governor Palin said. "The professional staff of both departments demonstrated their commitment to the state's mission of responsible resource development and conservation."

Under DNR's management, the office has continued to fulfill its important statutory responsibilities. That will not change as the division moves back to ADF&G.

"We recognize the importance of balancing habitat protection and resource development," said Tom Irwin, Commissioner of DNR. "It is an essential part of the state's responsibilities."

ADF&G Commissioner Denby Lloyd echoed Irwin.

"We are pleased that the transition is going so smoothly, and that all of the state's habitat biologists and permitting staff are back under one roof," Lloyd said. "Our commitment to responsible stewardship of Alaska's fish and game, as well as responsible development of our natural resources for the benefit of all Alaskans, is stronger than ever."

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 1:47 PM
To: John Katz
Cc: Ivy personal
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Energy - CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY/CLIENTPRIVILEGE

Also, Ivy Frye will contact you re: a message that Sen. Cornyn's office is asking for re: our pro-development agenda w energy.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 6:56 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Filming at the Heaven farm

Governor-

I spoke with Margaret Heaven today about the film crew at her farm. They are filming a "psycho thriller" on the property and she wanted to know if you would like to stop by and say hello to the crew. She said the crew is there late into the evenings. I told her that if your schedule permits, I would let her know. Ms. Heaven implied that you knew where her farm is located. Thanks

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 6:21 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Military_and_Veterans_Affairs

These need to go to Mark Kelsey. He is doing all issues on Vets, Alaska military youth academy and DMVA issues.

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 9:42 AM
To: 'timothy.worthy@us.army.mil'
Subject: RE: Military_and_Veterans_Affairs

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 12:22 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Military_and_Veterans_Affairs

Web mail from: Mr. Timothy Worthy
address: 1408 100th ST #4 Fort Wainwright AK 99703
907-356-1445

MESSAGE:

My name is CW3 Tim Worthy and I am with D company 123rd AVN out of Fort Wainwright. My Company will be deploying later this month and I would like to see about getting an Alaska flag to take with us so that we can take pictures to send back to represent Alaska. I have heard for \$25 I can buy one that has been flown over the state capital, if so I would like to purchase one. Can you please point me in the right direction? Thank you.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 7:37 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session
Attachments: ATT2420650.jpg

I will emphasize to the Senator that the Administration is very much on board with in-state use and also our plan for using petroleum revenues to address short term needs, particularly those related to energy costs.

I think this is all we may need to do for now. In honesty, messages from the gas team have not registered well with the Senator although this may change in the aftermath of your recent meeting with him.

When I wrote you earlier, I was unaware of the Senator's plans - and he did not mention them - to talk publicly on July 2nd and 3rd about his initiatives to "bring short and long-term energy relief to Alaskans." (See below). His original idea was to use your initiatives and the second special session to show Congress how petroleum revenues could be used at the federal level.

Perhaps, we should postpone a definitive response to the Senator until we see what transpires tomorrow. In the meantime, I can convey your thoughts about in-state use, etc and see how he responds.

Does this sound like a plan?



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Contacts: Aaron Saunders (907) 271-5915

Steve Wackowski (202) 224-5122

Senator Stevens to Discuss New Energy Initiatives at

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Press Events
in Anchorage and Fairbanks

ANCHORAGE, AK - Senator Ted Stevens (R-Alaska) announced today that he will outline his energy initiatives to bring short and long-term energy relief to Alaskans at press conferences in Anchorage and Fairbanks.

The Anchorage press conference will be held on **Wednesday, July 2 at 11 a.m.** in his office in the Federal Building. This office is located at 222 West 7th Avenue #2, Room 569.

The Fairbanks press conference will be held **Thursday, July 3 at 9 a.m.** at the Cold Climate Housing Research Center. This facility is located at 1000 Fairbanks Street.

To attend, members of the press must RSVP to:
aaron_saunders@stevens.senate.gov or steve_wackowski@stevens.senate.gov.

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"Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov> wrote:

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Does he realize we are very supportive of in-state also and I've asked the AGIA team to ramp up that message publicly, as I fear that message was lost through the revealing of the TC-Alaska "big line" plan? Marty could provide the Senator more information on precisely what we're doing to ensure in-state use and benefits of our gas. (I'd hope his testimony would acknowledge that we're on the same page with in-state.)

Also, hopefully he could weave in that our Surplus Revenue Return proposal shows how oil/gas revenue DOES help ourselves as we attempt to relieve burdens on AK residents by returning surplus dollars to them to help meet the rising cost of living - it's a short term plan as we work towards conservation and long term energy relief plans.

----- Original Message -----

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To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 04:16:08 2008
Subject: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Senator Stevens contacted me last night to find out what you would think about his testifying at the special session on in-state energy issues.

He does support an in-state solution. However, his primary objective would be to show the Congress how state oil revenues can be used to benefit the citizenry. He believes that the second special session will exemplify how opening ANWR and offshore areas in Alaska would provide significant non-tax revenues to the U.S. Treasury, thereby benefitting the economy in several ways.

For whatever it's worth, I believe that this is a good idea. I'm not sure that anything will budge the Democratic Leadership in Congress, but the publicity should help keep the spotlight on Alaska's oil and gas resources.

I think that the ultimate decision about his testifying must be made by the Legislature. However, the Senator didn't want to proceed without your approval. My guess is that the beneficial electoral implications are not lost on the Senator, either.

I also mentioned to him that we would probably respond to Dan Fagan's Sunday column, which I characterized as beyond fair criticism of a politician in a situation where Fagan had previously been apprized of the facts.

Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

John W. Katz
Director of State/Federal Relations
and Special Counsel to the Governor
jwkatz@alaskadc.org <<mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org>>
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 10:50 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Weekly: Engaging the Private Sector Is Key to Solving the Energy Challenge

From: membership@uschamber.com [mailto:membership@uschamber.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 10:34 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Weekly: Engaging the Private Sector Is Key to Solving the Energy Challenge

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Tuesday, July 1, 2008

Engaging the Private Sector Is Key to Solving the Energy Challenge

By Tom Donohue, President and CEO



A global energy summit held June 22 in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, underscored the essential role of international cooperation in meeting global energy demand. The summit also highlighted the importance of the private sector in securing energy for the growing global economy.

The fact that business interests were even invited to the summit—which included representatives from 38 countries and many international energy organizations—demonstrates progress. The U.S. Chamber's Institute for 21st Century Energy, led by General Jim Jones, was in Jeddah and played a key role in fostering discussion between government and business.

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The Chamber and its Institute for 21st Century Energy is engaging both presidential candidates and both major national political parties in a fact-based discussion focused on our nation's critical energy challenges.



Year in Review: Supreme Court Supports Federal Jurisdiction

Businesses had a mixed Supreme Court session, with victories in important federal preemption cases somewhat tempered by the Court's decisions in the employment discrimination arena, according to legal experts attending the National Chamber Litigation Center's 4th Annual Supreme Court Wrap-Up Media Briefing on June 24.

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By Michael Rovito/Frontiersman

Published on Tuesday, July 1, 2008 10:17 AM AKDT

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<<http://adsys.townnews.com/c63136395/creative/frontiersman.com/+bigad/130326-1212108860.gif?r=http://www.dancersworkshopak.org>> The Frontiersman will update this story throughout the morning.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 1:12 PM
To: Rintala, Jessalynn F (GOV); Jenicek, Monica (LAW)
Subject: Re: Recall: PR DoL Attorney General Colberg Announces Settlement with MoneyGram 070108

Got it.

----- Original Message -----

From: Rintala, Jessalynn F (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Jenicek, Monica (LAW)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 13:08:22 2008
Subject: RE: Recall: PR DoL Attorney General Colberg Announces Settlement with MoneyGram 070108

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Thanks so much.

----- Original Message -----

From: Jenicek, Monica (LAW)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Drinkwater, Cynthia C (LAW)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 13:01:47 2008
Subject: RE: Recall: PR DoL Attorney General Colberg Announces Settlement with MoneyGram 070108

Governor, I will have Cindy Drinkwater respond directly.

Monica Jenicek

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1031 W. 4th Ave. #200

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 10:21 AM
To: 'judi@longpassages.org'
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 8:30 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Judith Nester
address: 54326 East End Rd. Homer AK 99603
907 235-1238

MESSAGE:

Dear Govenor Palin

My husband, Bob Burns, and I had the privilege of meeting you last week at the bill signing ceremony in Homer. We really enjoyed the experience.

We are new to Alaska and as such it was wonderful to shake hands with the Governor and to learn that you and your family have a real connection to Homer. Bob and I fell in love with Homer when we first set eyes on it and decided almost instantly that we wanted to make it our home.

Our background before settling here was 14 years of living on a sailboat and sailing around the world, seeing over 50 countries and meeting people of all ages, ethnicity and religions. So we were really looking for someplace special to spend the rest of our years.

I know that you are a very busy person, but, if you have time on your next trip to Homer, we would enjoy having you and your family stop by our home for a visit. I will, of course, understand if this is not possible.

If, during your busy schedule, you would like to take some time out to know more about our world cruise, you can check out www.longpassages.org or our current website, www.landpassages.com.

Additionally, we took several pictures at the bill signing ceremony in Homer and would be happy to send you a CD of the photos if you would like them.

We can be reached on 907-235-1238. Our email is: longpassages@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Judi Nester

Bob Burns

judi@longpassages.org

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 10:20 AM
To: Benedict; Nichole M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Health_Care

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 8:12 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Health_Care

Web mail from: Ms. Mary Tadic
address: P.O. Box 562 Skagway AK 99840
907-983-2732

MESSAGE:

Hello Governor Palin,

Just quick note to tell you how happy I am that a fellow-believer is sitting in the governor's seat. I guess the most important health topic for me is to overturn the judicial ruling regarding parental notification for an abortion. Thank you for your strong stance on this subject. I pray that it will produce the desired results.

On another note, congratulations on the birth of your precious little boy! I wanted to mention something to you that perhaps you hadn't heard about. There's a major revival going on in Lakeland, Florida, with many miracles and healings going on. You can hear the fellow who God has anointed so mightily on www.sidroth.org-click on the interview with Todd Bentley.

God bless you and yours.

In Him, Mary Tadic

maryltadic@hotmail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 10:13 AM
To: 'dlsdmd@hopper.net'
Subject: RE: Oil&Gas

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Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 6:11 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Oil&Gas

Web mail from: Mr. David Skees

address: PO BOx 627 Snead AL 35952

205-466-7188

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin, You are an encouragement!! Not bad for a "girl" to stand up to the left wing, America hating libs!! Just kidding about the girl part!! It breaks my heart to see the greatest nation in the history of the world being brought down by globalist, misplaced guilt laden liberals! These goons live in compounds are insulated by their wealth from the real world. Keep up the fight! I hope we see you more and more on the national scene!! What, you didn't have any abortions? Thank God you did not! What a beautiful family!! May God bless everything you put your hand to!! Sincerely, David L. Skees DMD, FAGD

PS: For humor, our conservative women always look better than the libs! It is amazing what a clean heart can do for one's countenance!

dlsdmd@hopper.net

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 9:52 AM
To: 'joanstadler@gmail.com'
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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Joan Stadler
address: 36 Rochester NY 14610
585-413-3130

MESSAGE:

Hey,

I emailed earlier and shared that I was compelled to pray for you, I have been praying and heard about your baby! Yeah, congratulations. Today, again feel called to pray for you so..... I am. I still do not know why, but, who am I to ask questions. :)

Your sister in Christ,

Just Joan :)

Feel lifted today.

joanstadler@gmail.com

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From: Ivy Frye [ivyfrye@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 1:32 PM
To: Goode; Kelly C (GOV); gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Keller asked to resign
Just gave names/addresses and gifts to Tara for responses.

-- On Tue, 7/1/08, gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com> wrote:

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Date: Tuesday, July 1, 2008, 1:27 PM

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 11:44 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: please approve
Great

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 10:55:58 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: please approve

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No. 08-XXX

Governor Palin Urges Exxon to Pay Plaintiffs

July 1, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska – Governor Sarah Palin today encouraged Exxon Mobil to pay the \$507 million in punitive damages plus interest awarded by the U.S. Supreme Court to plaintiffs in the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill lawsuit. The Governor has directed Attorney General Talis Colberg to write a letter to Exxon requesting prompt payment of the punitive damages to the 32,000 plaintiffs in the case.

"These people have suffered long enough," Governor Palin said. "While Exxon may have the ability to delay payments, I strongly encourage them to bring this sad chapter in our history to a long-overdue conclusion. It is time to end the misery so everyone can move on."

The Governor is hopeful plaintiffs will receive payments this fall. So far, though, Exxon has not indicated whether it will cut checks to plaintiffs right away, or seek further reductions in the award as the case goes back to the lower courts.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 10:50 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Alaska Statehood Experience Grant Press Release

From: Stacy Haesaert [mailto:shaesaert@akhf.org]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 10:40 AM
To: Stacy Haesaert
Subject: Alaska Statehood Experience Grant Press Release

Humanities Forum, Rasmuson Foundation award \$900,000 to Alaska Statehood Experience projects

Anchorage -

A community mural in Seward, a poetry performance in Juneau, a film shot by Kotzebue youth, and a new Atlas of our state are just some of the ways Alaskans are getting involved with activities that explore, debate and commemorate Alaska's 50th anniversary of statehood with support from the Alaska Statehood Experience project. Alaska Humanities Forum and Rasmuson Foundation today announced the award of \$921,284 to 28 projects across the state that not only delve into the history of Alaska statehood, but also examine its meaning as we look ahead to the next 50 years. The complete list of project awards follows this release.

"The Alaska Humanities Forum was thrilled to receive high-quality proposals for Alaska's Statehood Experience – and from every region and across such diverse groups," said Dr. Greg Kimura, president and CEO of the Alaska Humanities Forum. "These projects will create an historical legacy that will outlast the 50th anniversary, enriching generations of Alaskans to come."

Rasmuson Foundation President Diane Kaplan added, "Alaskans have great stories to tell about the place they live and the life they love. Each of these projects elicits and shares those stories, and creates a living narrative that we can continue to write as we progress into the second 50 years."

Proposals were reviewed by a panel of Alaskans who made award recommendations. The panel members were Cathy Rasmuson (Rasmuson Foundation), Evan Rose (Alaska Permanent Capital Management Company), Barbara Baugh, Sue Hull, Katie Hurley, Sonya Kelliher-Combs (Artist), Andrew Kwon, Cathy Muñoz, Rep. Mary Nelson, Kris Perry (Office of the Governor).

The Alaska Statehood Experience is a partnership between the Alaska Humanities Forum and Rasmuson Foundation with support from KTUU-TV, Anchorage Daily News, Alaska Newspapers Inc., KNBA-FM (Koahnic Broadcast Corp.), Alaska Public Radio Network, and National Endowment for the Humanities – We the People.

The mission of the Alaska Humanities Forum is to enrich the civic, intellectual, and cultural life of all Alaskans through the wisdom and methods of the humanities.

Project Title	Organization Name	City	Grant Award
Eight Stars of Gold	Alaska's Kids	Anchorage	\$17,850
Then/Now	InternationalGallery of Contemporary Art	Anchorage	\$20,000

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Cyrano's Celebrates!	Eccentric Theatre Company (Doing business as Cyrano's Theatre Company)	Anchorage	\$30,000
The State of the Hood	Alaska Poetry League	Anchorage	\$16,740
Students Celebrating Statehood: Tundra Style/Yupiulleq Nutemllarmek	Lower Kuskokwim School District	Bethel	\$70,000
Spring Statehood Celebration: Two World Premieres	Perseverance Theatre, Inc.	Douglas	\$51,500
Celebrate Alaska!	Fairbanks Frontier Chapter, Sweet Adelines International	Fairbanks	\$5,000
Alaska's History - It's Magic!		Juneau	\$16,554
Eight Stars of Comedy Gold: 300 Years of Alaska History in 3000 Seconds	Alaska Children's Institute for the Performing Arts	Kenai	\$30,000
Statehood!	Aurora Films	Anchorage	\$20,000
50 Years of Statehood- Alaska's Native Voices	Koahnic Broadcast Corporation	Anchorage	\$100,000
The Atlas of Alaska	University of Alaska Fairbanks	Fairbanks	\$10,000
Not Yet! Alaska Voices Opposed to Statehood	Kachemak Bay Broadcasting, Inc	Homer	\$20,000
Fifty Years: A Light from the Village		Kotzebue	\$50,000
History of the Alaska Mental Health Trust	Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority	Anchorage	\$50,000
A Retrospective Analysis of Alaska Statehood from a Native Perspective	Sealaska Heritage Institute	statewide	\$100,000
Remembering the 1950s: Life in Alaska Leading to Statehood	Anchorage Museum Association	Anchorage	\$13,000
Alaska Natives and the Land: The Legacy of Statehood	Alaska Native Heritage Center	Anchorage	\$50,000
Judge Wickersham and the First Statehood Bill	Tanana-Yukon Historical Society	Fairbanks	\$20,000
Journey to Statehood		Haines	\$20,000
Juneau Welcomes Statehood	Capital City Celebrations	Juneau	\$10,140
Seward Home of Alaska's			

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Flag	City of Seward	Seward	\$20,500
Alaska Statehood Discussion Series	First Alaskans Institute	statewide	\$25,000
The ANB/ANS and Alaska Statehood	Tlingit Readers	Juneau	\$50,000
AK50 (K-12 mini-grant)	Alaska's Statehood Experience program	statewide	\$50,000
Book Project 'Alaska at 50'	Alaska's Statehood Experience program	statewide	\$25,000
Book Project Alaska's Statehood Experience	Alaska's Statehood Experience program	statewide	\$25,000
ASE project start-up discretionary	Capital City Celebrations, Sealaska Heritage Institute, Eric Wohlforth, Ernestine Hayes	statewide	\$5,000

About the Foundation

The Rasmuson Foundation was created in May 1955 by Jenny Rasmuson to honor her late husband E.A. Rasmuson. The Foundation is a catalyst to promote a better life for all Alaskans.

For further information about this and other grant opportunities, please visit the Alaska Humanities Forum website at www.akhf.org.

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Subject: FW: Extended Unemployment Compensation 2008

From: EUC2008, OWS - ETA [mailto:EUC2008.OWS@dol.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 12:22 PM

To: mayor@dc.gov; abryan@vidol.gov; Dan.dunmoyer@gov.ca.gov; governor@state.nm.us; flossy.aston@state.co.us; elaine.lefeur@governor.alabama.gov; contact@la.gov; lisa.davis@gov.ok.gov; governor@mt.gov; governor@gov.idaho.gov; Monesia.Brown@flaawi.com; chet.culver@iowa.gov; cindy.zehnder@gov.wa.gov; governor@state.wy.us; dave.heineman@nebraska.gov; suzanne.brackett@chamber.state.ny.us; gabriel.maser@state.ma.us; gov@rigov.state.us; Doug Hoffner; governor@state.pa.us; Elizabeth Ignacio; governor@governor.state.ms.us; arodgers@az.gov; corbins@michigan.gov; Cheryl.Mowell@state.vt.us; governor@wisconsin.gov; dlazovich@gov.nv.gov; Joe Manchin III; governor@maine.gov; contact@governordejongh.com; governor@nd.gov; michael.delaney@nh.gov; clyde.henderson@gov.state.nj.us; bbruso@utah.gov; governor@ks.gov; larry.temple@twc.state.tx.us; governor.lingle@hawaii.gov; governor.rell@ct.gov; mark@sc.gov; governor@gov.state.md.us; katharine.barondeau@dolir.mo.gov; governor.office@ncmail.net; sarah.agee@governor.arkansas.gov; pamela.roberts@state.sd.us; mdaniels@gov.in.gov; phil.bredesen@state.tn.us; james.sledge@illinois.gov; governor.minner@state.de.gov; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); mdunn@gov.state.ga.us; governor@ky.gov; Danny.Santos@das.state.or.us; susie.long@governor.ohio.gov; bennett.blodgett@governor.virginia.gov; tim.pawlenty@state.mn.us
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Subject: Extended Unemployment Compensation 2008

The President has signed into law a temporary federally funded extension of unemployment benefits. Under the new legislation, each state may enter into an agreement with the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) to act as an agent of the United States in paying these benefits.

In order for these benefits to be available to unemployed workers in your state beginning the week of July 6, 2008, please execute the attached agreement between your state and the Department of Labor and return it by Noon EST, Wednesday, July 2, 2008. To execute the agreement, your state name and the state agency that will be responsible for making these benefit payments should be inserted in the appropriate spaces on page one of the agreement; on page three insert the name and title of the official who signs the agreement and your state's name in the appropriate spaces. If an official other than the Governor signs, the Certificate of Authority section must be signed by the Attorney General or other authorized legal official and the official's title inserted below the signature line.

Please print a copy of the agreement for signature. After the governor or the designated state official sign the printed copy of the agreement, please send via email a PDF copy to EUC2008.OWS@DOL.GOV or you may fax it to Cheryl Atkinson, Administrator, Office of Workforce Security, at (202) 693-3229. Following receipt of the signed agreement, a Department official will sign it and return a completed signed agreement for your state's records.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in making these benefits available to unemployed workers in your state as quickly as possible. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Betty Castillo (202-693-3209), Stephanie C. Garcia (202-693-3207) or Bob Wagner (202-693-3210).

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 9:10 AM
To: ftb907@yahoo.com; ivyfrye@yahoo.com; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

I know. Arghhh.

----- Original Message -----

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To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Ivy Yhoo Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 09:08:12 2008
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

I just spoke with Tom about this on Thurs.

We're way behind on messaging this and a lot of people think we're missing the boat.

Sent from my Blackberry Device

From: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 08:21:06 -0800
To: <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
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----- Original Message -----

From: John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 07:36:48 2008
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

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Does this sound like a plan?

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 1, 2008

Contacts: Aaron Saunders (907) 271-5915

Steve Wackowski (202) 224-5122

Senator Stevens to Discuss New Energy Initiatives at Press Events

in Anchorage and Fairbanks

ANCHORAGE, AK - Senator Ted Stevens (R-Alaska) announced today that he will outline his energy initiatives to bring short and long-term energy relief to Alaskans at press conferences in Anchorage and Fairbanks.

The Anchorage press conference will be held on Wednesday, July 2 at 11 a.m. in his office in the Federal Building. This office is located at 222 West 7th Avenue #2, Room 569.

The Fairbanks press conference will be held Thursday, July 3 at 9 a.m. at the Cold Climate Housing Research Center. This facility is located at 1000 Fairbanks Street.

To attend, members of the press must RSVP to: aaron_saunders@stevens.senate.gov or
steve_wackowski@stevens.senate.gov.

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and Special Counsel to the Governor

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(202) 624-5858

>>> On 7/1/2008 at 11:05 AM, in message <D12754A53B2AED468149A15236EB769484E494
@SOAJNUMSG02.soa.alaska.gov>, "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov> wrote:

Does he realize we are very supportive of in-state also and I've asked the AGIA team to
ramp up that message publicly, as I fear that message was lost through the revealing of
the TC-Alaska "big line" plan? Marty could provide the Senator more information on
precisely what we're doing to ensure in-state use and benefits of our gas. (I'd hope his
testimony would acknowledge that we're on the same page with in-state.)

Also, hopefully he could weave in that our Surplus Revenue Return proposal shows how
oil/gas revenue DOES help ourselves as we attempt to relieve burdens on AK residents by
returning surplus dollars to them to help meet the rising cost of living - it's a short
term plan as we work towards conservation and long term energy relief plans.

----- Original Message -----

From: John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 04:16:08 2008
Subject: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Senator Stevens contacted me last night to find out what you would think about his testifying at the special session on in-state energy issues.

He does support an in-state solution. However, his primary objective would be to show the Congress how state oil revenues can be used to benefit the citizenry. He believes that the second special session will exemplify how opening ANWR and offshore areas in Alaska would provide significant non-tax revenues to the U.S. Treasury, thereby benefitting the economy in several ways.

For whatever it's worth, I believe that this is a good idea. I'm not sure that anything will budge the Democratic Leadership in Congress, but the publicity should help keep the spotlight on Alaska's oil and gas resources.

I think that the ultimate decision about his testifying must be made by the Legislature. However, the Senator didn't want to proceed without your approval. My guess is that the beneficial electoral implications are not lost on the Senator, either.

I also mentioned to him that we would probably respond to Dan Fagan's Sunday column, which I characterized as beyond fair criticism of a politician in a situation where Fagan had previously been apprized of the facts.

Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

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Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 9:36 AM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: two things
Amen!

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 09:36:52 -0800
To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: two things

Governor:

I plan on finishing a very thorough review of this report and then discussing it with COS, Commissioner Kreitzer, and Karen Rehfeld. My personal opinion is that at some point DPS management needs to lead and do the best job they can with the resources they have just like every other agency.

Randy

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:57 AM
To: Monegan, Walt C (DPS)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV); Kel Goode; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: two things

Who are the authors of the report? There needs to be further review of suggestions that DPS does not have the resources to do its job... so the report is still under review.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Monegan, Walt C (DPS)" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 06:44:44 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV) <kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Kel Goode<kellyc@acsalaska.net>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: two things
I have a message into DC Glass and am awaiting those details.
-Walt

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Mon 6/30/2008 9:54 PM
To: Monegan, Walt C (DPS)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV); Kel Goode; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: two things

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Further- how was this "complaint" received, by who, and when/where?
Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----
From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 1 Jul 2008 05:41:57
To: Walt Monegan <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>
Cc: M Nizich <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Kelly Goode <kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Kel Goode <kellyc@acsalaska.net>; K Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: two things

I've never driven Trig anywhere without a new, approved carseat. I want to know who said otherwise- pls provide me that info now.

-----Original Message-----
From: Walt Monegan
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jun 30, 2008 2:19 PM
Subject: two things

Governor-
1st - Have you read/approved the 2007 AST Annual Report to be made public?

2nd - Via a soon-to-be-retiring legislator, we have received a complaint that had you driving with Trig not in an approved infant car seat; if so this would be awkward in many ways.

Please know that I am trying to help...
-Walt

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:57 AM
To: Rintala; Jessalynn F (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Energy

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2008 11:03 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Energy

Web mail from: Mr. Leonard Dubber
address: P O Box 349 Haines AK 99827
907 766 3108

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin, I hear your name mentioned as a VP candidate so I know if you speak they will listen. The way to win is for the National Republican Committee to make an documentary style infomercial that gives a history of the Democrats blocking the opening of ANWR and then getting all the GOP candidates to stay on message till the tail is pinned on the dockey and this oil crisis belongs to the Democrats. Nobody ever stayed on message as well as you did against Gov. M and you won. I believe the national GOP could be as successful.

Also I would rather you stay here in our great state as long as Obama doesn't win.
Sincerely L Dubber

dubber@aptalaska.net

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:56 AM
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Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2008 5:05 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Matthew Powell
address: P.O. Box 879429 Wasilla AK 99687
907-631-0787

MESSAGE:

I've heard rumors about a possible VP bid for you. I have great respect for you. If you think being VP is good for Alaska, I would stand behind you. That being said, I believe Alaska needs you here.

Thank you for your service

matjpow@yahoo.com

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:47 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Exxon

Arghhhhhh!

-----Original Message-----

From: Sharon Leighow
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 1, 2008 8:42 AM
Subject: RE: Exxon

Come on - it's Exxon!

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:38 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Exxon

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-----Original Message-----

From: Sharon Leighow
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 1, 2008 8:26 AM
Subject: RE: Exxon

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 7:59 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
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S- pls do presser on this. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 1 Jul 2008 15:57:58

To: Talis Colberg<talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Cc: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Rosanne

Hughes<rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; M

Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

Subject: Exxon

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:25 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

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Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:22 AM
To: Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: In-state

Marty/Joe: what came of the public messaging mission discussed two wks ago in my office re: our first commitment to in-state use of our gas... "Putting Alaskans First" ? I didn't see anything come out on that in the public. I ask bc now Sen.Stevens will be publicly testifying that that MUST be the top priority - I'm telling him that it is, but we haven't articulated that well enough (evidently), but that is my consistent commitment and message: in-state use of our resource for Alaskans to be served.

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:21 AM
To: ivyfrye@yahoo.com; ffb907@yahoo.com; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

All opportunities need to be seized to get that msg out... Kris, did you ever see anything from Marty or Joe on messaging this after the gasline mtg in my office two wks ago? Remember they were going to do a public statement? Pls let them know that now even the Senator is on it bc we haven't been out there with the msg we've asked them to ramp up.

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Sent: Tue Jul 01 07:44:50 2008
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

I'd ask that you speak to him before his July 2 messaging even.

And for what it's worth- I agree that gasline team's messaging re: in-state has NOT been aggressive or passionate enough to remind Alaskans that my FIRST goal is, and always has been, taking care of AK first. We've met recently on that- with my reminder about the ol' "Putting Alaskans First" campaign promise of mine... and I'm strongly encouraging AGIA team to tell Alaskans (and prove to all) that that IS the mission here with AGIA. They have regrouped on that and they're looking for opportunities to reiterate our commitment to in-state use first. Thanks!

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I will emphasize to the Senator that the Administration is very much on board with in-state use and also our plan for using petroleum revenues to address short term needs, particularly those related to energy costs.

I think this is all we may need to do for now. In honesty, messages from the gas team have not registered well with the Senator although this may change in the aftermath of your recent meeting with him.

When I wrote you earlier, I was unaware of the Senator's plans - and he did not mention them - to talk publicly on July 2nd and 3rd about his initiatives to "bring short and long-term energy relief to Alaskans." (See below). His original idea was to use your initiatives and the second special session to show Congress how petroleum revenues could be used at the federal level.

Perhaps, we should postpone a definitive response to the Senator until we see what transpires tomorrow. In the meantime, I can convey your thoughts about in-state use, etc and see how he responds.

Does this sound like a plan?

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July 1, 2008

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From: McBride, Rhonda (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RMFAUBION]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 8:10 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Barrow Addendum

Great! Hope you had a wonderful day.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: McBride, Rhonda (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jun 30 22:29:58 2008
Subject: Re: Barrow Addendum

She was awesome! Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: Rhonda (GOV) McBride
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jun 30, 2008 8:26 AM
Subject: Barrow Addendum

If you see Janelle Everett, give her a big hug for me. Janelle is news director at KBRW. Once while she was on an extended vacation in her home state of Alabama, she stored her parka in my house. My God. The darned thing weighed almost as much as me. And that's a lot.

You can't miss Janelle. She's big, black and beautiful. She's one of Alaska's veteran radio reporters -- having worked in Bethel and Kodiak as well as Barrow.

Also a quick correx. Barrow's Dalton Hwy Corridor hearing is July 23rd, not June 23rd.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 9:15 AM

To: 'Robison; Ronda'

Subject: RE: Anchorage Fire Department Helicopter Ride

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

From: Robison, Ronda [mailto:RobisonR@ci.anchorage.ak.us]

Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 10:23 AM

To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)

Subject: Anchorage Fire Department Helicopter Ride

Dear Governor Palin:

Deputy Chief Michelle Weston would like to extend an invitation for you to ride on the Fire Department's wildfire helicopter (Rotor 1) some time this week at your convenience. It will take about an hour – flying over the greater Anchorage area.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Ronda Robison
Executive Assistant
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Subject: Fw: Exxon

S- pls do presser on this. Thanks

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 1 Jul 2008 15:57:58

To: Talis Colberg<talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

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Subject: Exxon


Talis- pls have one of your folks draft a short letter to Exxon "encouraging" them to pay the \$500mil. (See today's ADN story today) we need to be on the record as telling them to pay up, end this thing, end this misery. Then we're doing a presser on it (in fact let's do the presser stating I've asked DOL to write this letter).

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 9:22 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: ETS Education Research Update - June 2008

From: ETS Education Research Update [mailto:R&Dweb@ets.org]
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2008 10:40 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: ETS Education Research Update - June 2008



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This study investigated the distinctness and reliability of analytic rating dimensions and their relationships to holistic scores and *e-rater*® essay feature variables in the context of the TOEFL® CBT writing assessment. (TOEFL Research Report No. TOEFL-RR-81, ETS RR-08-01. Authors: Y.-W. Lee, C. Gentile & R. Kantor)

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A sample of examinees answered short-answer GRE® subject test items in biology and psychology and received immediate feedback via the *c-rater*™ scoring engine. Subsequent human scoring of the responses pointed to the quality of automated scoring. (GRE Board Research Report No. 04-02, ETS RR-08-20. Authors: Y. Attali, D. Powers, M. Freedman, M. Harrison & S. Obetz)

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Evaluating the Effectiveness of a Full-Population Estimation Method

This report investigated plausible explanations for the observed heterogeneity among jurisdictions in exclusion rates of students with disabilities and/or students who are English language learners from NAEP administrations. (ETS RR-08-18. Authors: H. Braun, J. Zhang & S. Vezzu)

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Examining an Alternative to Score Equating: A Randomly Equivalent Forms Approach

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This study examined the impact of a read-aloud accommodation on scores from standardized tests of reading comprehension at Grades 4 and 8. Results showed that the mean score on the audio version was higher than scores on the standard version both for students with learning disabilities and those without. (ETS RR-08-23. Authors: C. Cahalan Laitusis, L.L. Cook, F. Cline, T. King & J. Sabatini)

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In this investigation of the factor structure of a field trial sample of TOEFL® iBT, results broadly supported current reporting of four scores (for reading, listening, speaking and writing) and a total score. (TOEFL iBT Report No. TOEFLiBT-04, ETS RR-08-09. Authors: Y. Sawaki, L. Stricker & A. Oranje)

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Strategies for linking two consecutive assessments were investigated by the researchers through analysis of NAEP reading data using the general diagnostic model. (ETS RR-08-08. Authors: X. Xu & M. von Davier)

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To calculate aggregation inclusion probabilities, this study investigated three statistical models and derived the school weights for the High School Effectiveness study, which contained one or more cases transferred from the National Educational Longitudinal Study of 1988. (ETS RR-08-17. Author: J. Qian)

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The ability of high school grades and SAT® scores to predict cumulative grades in different types of college courses was evaluated in a sample of 26 colleges. (College Board Report No. 2008-01, ETS RR-08-06. Authors: B. Bridgeman, J. Pollack & N. Burton)

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Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV); Kel Goode; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: two things

Who are the authors of the report? There needs to be further review of suggestions that DPS does not have the resources to do its job... so the report is still under review.

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From: "Monegan, Walt C (DPS)" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 06:44:44 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV) <kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Kel Goode<kellyc@acsalaska.net>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: two things

I have a message into DC Glass and am awaiting those details.
-Walt

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Mon 6/30/2008 9:54 PM
To: Monegan, Walt C (DPS)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV); Kel Goode; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
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Further- how was this "complaint" received, by who, and when/where?
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Subject: Re: two things

I've never driven Trig anywhere without a new, approved carseat. I want to know who said otherwise- pls provide me that info now.

-----Original Message-----

From: Walt Monegan
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jun 30, 2008 2:19 PM
Subject: two things

Governor-

Ist - Have you read/approved the 2007 AST Annual Report to be made public?

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Re: two things

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2nd – Via a soon-to-be-retiring legislator, we have received a complaint that had you driving with Trig not in an approved infant car seat; if so this would be awkward in many ways.

Please know that I am trying to help...
-Walt

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 7:46 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Senator Stevens/Second Special Session

Fyi, no action needed but we need to remind AGIA team to follow through on in-state use mission:

----- Original Message -----

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Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 07:44:50 2008
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 1, 2008

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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Thank You All!

Excellent work on this, all! Thank you sincerely!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 07:44:57 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Rowland, Mindy B (GOV)<mindy.rowland@alaska.gov>; Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR) <richard.lefebvre@alaska.gov>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Thank You All!

Dick, would you help the Governor's office with this?

Also thanks for all your help on the move. Tom

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Date: Tue, 01 Jul 2008 07:24:41 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fw: Thank You All!

Habitat has been formally moved back to ADFG. I thought you would want to see this letter from DNR to Habitat.

Governor, thanks for all your support in this move. Another accomplishment for Alaska. Tom

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From: Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR)
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
Sent: Tue Jul 01 07:10:23 2008
Subject: FW: Thank You All!

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Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 6:38 AM
To: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR)
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Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

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To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR) <kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>; Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR) <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
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Subject: CONFIDENTIAL: Governor & Stevens

Welcome back. It will be good to work with you again.

I'm not sure where to start. It appears that an awful lot of people are now involved in these dynamics.

Senator Stevens sent me an email two days ago asking me to consult with the Governor on a few specific points. I have responded twice to him by email, and he replied last night. He has not been copying his staff on our email exchange. So, I haven't either.

I'll summarize my communications with him, the Governor, and the gas team as follows -

- The Senator wants to work with the Governor on a bi-partisan basis to develop an energy policy that addresses national and state concerns.
- He may want to speak to the Legislature, and the Governor doesn't seem to have a problem with this. This could be as early as July 10th.
- The Senator wants to point to Alaska as a good case history for how petroleum dollars can be used to address short and long-term needs. Right now, the cost of energy in urban and rural Alaska.
- The Governor asked me to emphasize the high priority we attached to in-state production and use of natural gas, and I have.
- The gas team asked me to mention that, next Monday, the Governor will announce a two-step, public/private partnership to provide affordable natural gas to the railbelt.
- The Governor and the gas team asked me to emphasize the value of AGIA and the

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hope that we can work with the Senator on this.

- This morning, I received a very warm email from the Senator. He did not comment specifically on all of the points I raised. However, he clearly wants to work with the State and the Legislature on a friendly, bi-partisan basis.

A couple of other points. Much of the Senator's outline is premised on opening ANWR and using the revenues therefrom. Circumstances are changing slowly for the better. However, the Democratic leadership in Congress appears adamantly opposed to opening ANWR or more of the OCS.

We have fought for federal OCS revenue sharing with states for years and have come close on prior occasions. In the current budget climate, this appears to be a tough sell.

I hope this helps. Please let me know if you need anything more.

p.s. I have copied everyone who is working on these issues so that we are all aware of what has occurred thus far. Please keep in confidence.

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"Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov> wrote:

John,

Good morning!

First of all, I am back assisting the Governor with Gasline Communications. So, hello again!

Secondly, in that capacity, Kurt Gibson (Member of Gasline Team / Division of Oil & Gas) and I have been working on potential talking points for the Governor if she's asked about the Senator's energy plans or if she's asked to participate in the press conference. Earlier today, I reached out to some of those on his staff that I know and they were incredibly receptive to assisting us and pleased that someone from Alaska actually called them to say hello and ask for information. One even suggested that the Governor might stand with the Senator which probably doesn't even work with her schedule, but I don't know. At this point, we're treating this press conference as something she may have to respond to and we'd like to do so in a positive manner.

Kris Perry said that you've also got information that no one else has regarding the bullet line. And so as I put the talking points together and outline my conversation with his office, I was wondering if you could check against your information and add to it. Ideally, you and I would have this done by 10am ish, if that works with your schedule, so that the Governor can look at this first thing in the morning.

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Meghan

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Cc: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sen Cornyn

Thanks, John. I'll follow up with you today regarding the governor's energy policies being posted for Energy Independence Days.

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 10:13:20 -0400
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Per the Governor's request, I have drafted the = paragraphs below for Senator Cornyn's blog. As you will note, I have = not included a lot of statistics but have tried to articulate some general = themes.

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John:

Senator Cornyn's office contacted me regarding Governor Palin providing = a short written statement on her energy policy to post on his website for = the virtual Energy Independence Days next week. The purpose of the = virtual event is to provide a forum to discuss the importance of US energy = independence. I thought we could send a short statement regarding = Governor Palin's stance on ANWR drilling, OCS, and her gas pipeline = plan. All three policy positions of Governor Palin correlate with US = energy independence by increasing domestic production. The email I = received is below. Would you like to touch base on putting together = a few paragraphs? Also, what do you know of Senator Cornyn?

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Email below:

The Senator will be hosting virtual "Energy Independence Days" next week in which we'll have a new splash page, buttons/widgets, video of him talking about drilling in the U.S., ect. Newt Gingrich has written a guest post for us and we're going to have other electeds discussing the importance of American Energy Independence.

It would be AMAZING to get a simple 2-3 paragraph guest post by the Governor, a podcast, or a video that we could use to help us get the message out. She is obviously one of the most effective people in this regard and adding her name to our initiative, even in the form of a guest post would be awesome.

If we need to write something up and have them sign off, or whatever it is, it would be awesome.

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Yes, pls give Lisa a head's up too... hopefully they'll be patient and gracious w us.

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Per our conversation, I have sent the communication below to Senator Stevens. Hopefully, it captures the essence of what we discussed.

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Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 09:31:47 -0800
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Thursday, June 3 – Available Flights:

Depart ANC 8:00 a.m. – Arrive JNU 9:47 a.m.
Or
Depart ANC 6:50 p.m. – Arrive JNU 8:32 p.m.

The afternoon flight is sold out – if you would like we could have Bob check for seats.

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We do have two seats held for tonight's flight at departing ANC at 6:50 p.m. arriving JNU at 8:32 p.m. We can hold for tomorrow a.m. Tonight's flight needs to be purchased by 1:00 p.m. or they will go off hold.
Janice

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Kris

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Your comments, Governor, could mirror that which Kurt and I drafted and I sent earlier and attached again above.

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They believe that just the two standing together will be news enough and should attract many in the press - they would love a press release heading out from our office inviting the press. As Aaron said, the Senator could talk about "wallpaper" and the media would show because the Governor is there with him.

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He did say that while there have been a few bumps (earmarks, in particular), the Senator thinks highly of the Governor, is supportive of the Governor, and likes what she is doing, especially regarding energy, including the debit card plan and now the \$1200 energy rebate plan.

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The press conference is in the federal building. Stevens' staffers are inviting media to his office and then escorting them to the FAA conference room on the 5th floor.

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Once you know the direction, I'll work up something for you and assist Sharon in meeting your goals for today.

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To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: We're on!
What time tomorws

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 09:03:47 -0800
To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: We're on!

We do have two seats held for tonight's flight at departing ANC at 6:50 p.m. arriving JNU at 8:32 p.m. We can hold for tomorrow a.m. Tonight's flight needs to be purchased by 1:00 p.m. or they will go off hold.
Janice

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Wed, 2 Jul 2008 16:54:14 +0000
To: K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: We're on!
Yeah ylthen if its sunny I'm outta there.
Janice, just for fyi are there two seats on tonights flt or tom mornings

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Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 08:45:15 -0800
To: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)<meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>;
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CC: Mason, Janice L (GOV)<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
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We will reschedule the meeting w/Sheffield. Can we do that for 1pm? That way it will ensure that your

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meeting w/Hickel sticks to the time allocated. Please let me know. Thanks!

Kris

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Importance: High

The Senator is "very enthusiastic" about the opportunity to stand with you and talk about energy and your solutions to the crisis.

Here's the "run of the show" at this point:

Aaron Saunders says that yesterday, the Senator spent 20 minutes outlining his plan and it went way too long. They would like for it to be closer to 10 minutes today. The Senator would be honored if you stood next to him and then spoke for a couple of minutes before opening it up to reporters.

Your comments, Governor, could mirror that which Kurt and I drafted and I sent earlier and attached again above.

Aaron is emailing be the Senator's speech so that you are fully aware of what the Senator will be saying.

They believe that just the two standing together will be news enough and should attract many in the press - they would love a press release heading out from our office inviting the press. As Aaron said, the Senator could talk about "wallpaper" and the media would show because the Governor is there with him.

He did say that while there have been a few bumps (earmarks, in particular), the Senator thinks highly of the Governor, is supportive of the Governor, and likes what she is doing, especially regarding energy, including the debit card plan and now the \$1200 energy rebate plan.

I'll get working on the media advisory right away with Sharon. Governor, please let me know what you think of the revised comments. And then I'll begin preparing a press release for release just after the press conference.

Many questions today might be centered around the fact that you are standing together, but I think if you stick with "perception versus reality" theme, that would be great. "I've always enjoyed a fine relationship with the Senator and it continues to grow stronger. I look forward to continuing to work together with him during this time. This state is stronger with the vision and ideas of our leaders combined."

The press conference is in the federal building. Stevens' staffers are inviting media to his office and then escorting them to the FAA conference room on the 5th floor.

Aaron wants to remind you that the Senator's plan is not set in stone; he will continue to work on it as he gets back to Washington, DC and takes more feedback from Alaskans.

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Meg

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Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 2:18 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Miss America Script

Governor,

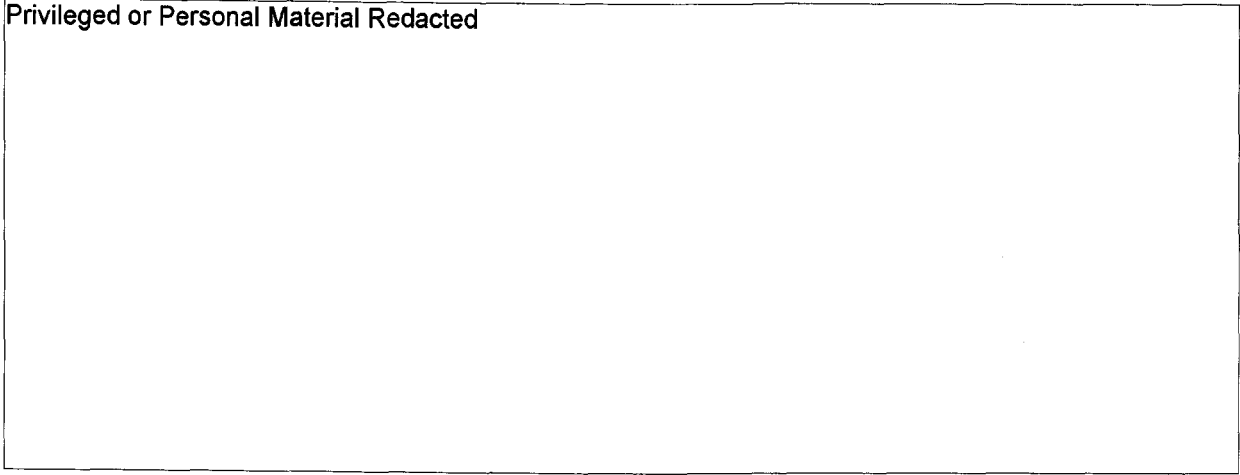
I thought you might want to approve the Miss America script before shooting the congrats video, so you have it here as an attachment, as well as in the body of the email. Two things to be aware of: first, with your family out of country, I haven't had any success in tracking down your Miss Wasilla photo; I've let Bonnie Faulk know it might not appear in the video. Second, just so you're aware of the presentation, the Wendy Williamson Auditorium will be dark, the velvet curtains will pull back, and they'll roll your tape. Essentially, you are the very beginning of the program. Bonnie is so excited that you've agreed to do a welcome video; she feels it really conveys to the girls that there is nothing they can't do. Please let me know if you'd like to see any changes in the script. Thanks so much!

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Thank you ☺

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Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 4:58 PM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: pageant

The pageant is July 19th. They were talking about waiting for Molly to get back or use a scanned version of what is in the book for the photo, and I told Kate to proceed without. We're fine for the DVD though; it will be a 45 second script and will be scheduled for Monday sometime while Jason and Andy are here for the press conf. We'll allow for enough time.

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Cc: Cora Crome; Kris Perry; Mike Nizich; Russ Kelly; Governor Sarah Palin
Subject: Coastal Protection/Alaska Exclusion - CONFIDENTIAL

In case you get questions, we have opposed the exclusion of Alaska from this coastal and estuarine grant program (see below). The program has been beneficial to Alaska.

Originally, we heard rumors that Mr. Young was contemplating an Alaska exclusion and were assured that this was not the case. So, we were quite surprised when the exclusion of several coastal states was included in legislation pending before the House Resources Committee. Recently, we have reiterated our concern and have joined several other organizations and states that are seeking deletion of the amendment.

I don't know why Mr. Young would pursue this. The amendment is based on population density. So, he had to know that it would disadvantage Alaska, and his staff was told by us and others about the use of these federal funds to protect specific river mileage in Alaska.

My guess is that Mr. Young's amendment will be deleted either in the House or later in the legislative process.

If you need further information, please let me know.

Rep. Don Young upsets coastal state colleagues over environmental amendment.

The Hill reports that Young carved out an exemption for Alaska's coasts from a bill that would create a grant program to protect these areas. His move may also eliminate three other states that wanted to participate.

The amendment says only states with coastal populations of "at least 85 people per square mile" can apply for the coastal preservation grants. That kicks Oregon, Maine and Minnesota out of applying for grants.

"It was a surprise and a shock," said Andrea Geiger who works with a nonprofit that represents governors of 35 coastal states. "No one was really prepared for the language or understood the language enough to know what they were passing. That led me to believe that no one had seen the language prior to the markup."

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Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 5:29 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Alaska Aerospace Development Corp

Governor,

We have 2 spots to cover for the Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation. This is the Corporation that oversees the Kodiak Narrow Cape Rocket Launch Industry, as well as a low-orbit satellite servicing in Anchorage. Mike Nizich sit in the public seat for the Board so knows the lay of the land.

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Apologies for the long email!

Frank

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To: harrietdrummond@alaska.com; mattclaman@gmail.com; gruensteinbe@muni.org; guiterrezm@muni.org; jjohnston@gci.net; gray-jackson@muni.org
Cc: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: city council refuses to have a live on camera community energy forum for 300,000 citizens
Date: 7-2-08 Wednesday

To: Council Woman Ms Durmmond

From: Paul D. Kendall

Thank You for your prompt and open response Ms Drummond.

Please invite me and the public if you have any meetings or discussion on energy at all...

Are you answering for Chairman Claman? I am still awaiting an answer from chairman Claman, which i presume he and ms Selkregg are "working up"..MAYBE!

Who is or who are the ones in this "group" looking at energy cost for transit ?

Why only transit?

I am unclear if you are meeting or not?

When did you all meet or talk?

Are you gathering information on how much fuel is produced and where it is being used and in what amounts

One of the secret meetings i was refering to was the way the council gets a task force together, and then they meet when and where we the public cannot be... and then they make sure there is no cameras for us to watch.... "The real discussion"!

What i also meant by secret meeting was a cynical statement infering that at the last moment you would as a "council body", suddenly announce a secret meeting had been heldbecause inreality, our city council has not done much if anything at all !! ,

„actually they have by their actions , contributed to our energy crisis..Bubble, Tumor, Assault, Plundering, Pilliaging, and Profiteering of our loved ones,, while our loved ones are asleep in their homes,, no less.....

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I strongly disagree with your reference to the governor and the state being responsible for energy—you folks along with a veritable tag team of other entities who we convey governance oversight with for our well being are equally responsible and as to date irresponsible....for our energy impacts.

Look, Ms Drummond,....

As a citizen of Anchorage, I want an energy forum, there is no excuse or cover for this council not to do this....and the longer this coucil continues to look the other way, the more hardship you put upon us...the community of real lives....

I want to be notified and invited of any and all energy discussions. I am not sure i can attend, but it would it be nice to try to attend or see the discussion on live camera.....

And in closing, i realize some of my comments are considered harsh, or strong, or wrong, or in other considerations.....But, I am willing to debate or dialog the substance of my comments in a public forum and suffer the consequences if i am wrong in them....

clean ELECTRICITY AND WATER are the keys to a stable society and our freedoms; we want and deserve an energy forum that you people owe us as a 300,000 citizen community....

It takes 3 STABLE SECTORS to mainain a stable society in place.....

ENERGY

POPULATION CONTROL

VIABLE LEADERSHIP

.....PDK.....

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Governor,

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Kris

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If we need to write something up and have them sign off, or whatever it is, it would be awesome.

We're also going to be doing a blogger conference call, if she was interested in being on that we could work our schedule around her.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 2:04 PM
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Cc: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Long Past due Thank You Recognition to RDC for your Gracious and Generous accomodations for atten

Date: 7-8-08 Tuesday

To: Resource Development Council, 121 W, Fireweed, Anchorage, Ak

www.akrdc.org

From: Paul D. Kendall "Will Free"

Attn: Board of Directors and all Membership Parties-

-My Overiding view is that Alaska has a unique infrastructure potential,;

With opportunities to; attend to and develop, multiple, simultaneous, and parallel non competing major revenue producing sectors; All of which,should lead to multiple long term revenue streams, Alaskan society technology upscaling, world wide recognition, more individual free will freedoms; AND / OR, a new or next new ENERGY BASED SOCIETY!

Change Alaska, Change the World!

This moment is that big!

It, you, us, and we, altogether, are that moment in time to be more; Much, much more than we realize!

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PD Kendall,

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I asked Ms. Deantha (and Jason earlier) for your E-mail site information and permission to E-mail your organization so that i might E you folks in the future..

To date, i have usually Eeed my opinions and suggestions to our Gov, Atty Gen, Legislature, some news groups, and a few others...and the thought ocured to me that perhaps i should enlarge my Eeing....

And how could i not give some first consideration to your Resource Development Council Organization?

As i review and reflect on some of the high quality events you have afforded me as not just a member of the community,,but above that, as a non-member of RDC, non-paying attendee/limited public guest, and sometimes quasi-adversarial questioner of your presenters..

I must in all fairness, conlude that a thank you to your organization, its management body, and its body whole is long overdue and owed in full.

I Paul D. Kendall "Will Free", privately and publicly thank you folks of the Resource Development Council for your open and freely offered professional and gracious accomodating of this public citizen at no charge, who has enjoyed and with your permission, continues to enjoy your many endeavors of community awareness presentations your group works so hard to bring to Alaska.

As this is my first E to you all, you should understand that nearly all, if not all of my commentaries should always be considered public. And all public business should be conducted in Public...Period!

Sincerely and Respectfully,

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Ps..As i am writing this RDC THANK YOU, T. Boone Pickens in a Television Add just came on CNN announcing he is about to lay out an alternative energy plan...I have to go.

So i can call him (alright, his people) and let them know he is using the wrong terms; Self Sufficiency, Doable Renewables and Maintainable Sustainables are old thinking;; We in Alaska, the next and new great frontier in energies, have already moved on, to "Harmonic Fuels" and "Switch On Energies".....(ha ha jokingly),,,, well, ya never know, he just might listen to me;.

That is what dreams are all about? Trying to make them real in a realistic way...a lot of well intended hard work, a big gamble and a lotta faith and hope!

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Ivy

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The Senator will be hosting virtual "Energy Independence Days" next week in which we'll have a new splash page, buttons/widgets, video of him talking about drilling in the U.S., ect. Newt Gingrich has written a guest post for us and we're going to have other electeds discussing the importance of American Energy Independence.

It would be AMAZING to get a simple 2-3 paragraph guest post by the Governor, a podcast, or a video that we could use to help us get the message out. She is obviously one of the most effective people in this regard and adding her name to our initiative, even in the form of a guest post would be awesome.

If we need to write something up and have them sign off, or whatever it is, it would be awesome.

We're also going to be doing a blogger conference call, if she was interested in being on that we could work our schedule around her.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 7:04 AM
To: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Gibson; Kurtis K (DNR); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Didn't know time nor place. Still, if TS wants me there I'd be there... Where is it?

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 07:01:05 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR) <kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Mason, Janice L (GOV) <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Does the time matter with your schedule - his presser is at 11am.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wed 7/2/2008 6:38 AM
To: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Btw, I wonder if this is why Begich tried to reach me yesterday. I left a voice mail w him in returning his call.
Anyway, if TS chooses not to have me participate at his press conf, let's do our presser w your comments below:

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 06:24:54 -0800
To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR) <kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>; Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR) <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Governor,

Good morning! I wanted to make sure that you received this information, as Katz sent to your GOV

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sponsored email address and not the yahoo address. Kurt and I were pulled into this conversation yesterday and began working an independent stream to get information to you. I hope that we are adding to your knowledge and not repeating information that you already have.

The note below and the attached are in preparation for this morning and any potential questions you receive regarding Senator Stevens' energy announcement this morning. The first attachment entitled "Senator Stevens Visit kkg" is a set of talking points / statement that you could make regarding the energy announcement today. The second attachment entitled "Stevens Conversation" reflects the notes / outline I made following several conversations yesterday with Stevens' staffers, including his energy policy coordinator, his deputy chief of staff, and some of his communications folks. I don't know if you agree with everything the Senator is going to announce but the notes reflect what he will announce today.

The bottomline in all this is how incredibly excited his staffers were to be speaking with someone from your office other than Katz. Based upon their reaction, they see your offices in Alaska as different and more personally reflective of you than John Katz who is absolutely wonderful, but an expected and necessary relationship. I used to converse with them (communications side) and they said that no one's called them to discuss matters other than Katz on a daily basis, and they were excited that your office was reaching out again and engaging them. It should be a positive experience today and no need for any defensive talk or action.

When I called the Senator's office, I mentioned that I was interested in the Senator's specific remarks today because you were most likely going to be contacted and wanted to be able to make positive comments about the Senator's efforts and see how we could work together. They were thrilled and immediately the calls came in with the specifics and even asking questions of you: do you have any ideas to encourage fuel efficiency / transportation cost effectiveness on the stateside? And do you know if nuclear power is prohibited in the state and is there anything we can do to work on that?

At this point, we need direction from you as to what you'd like to do. If you wanted to stand with the Senator during the press conference, we can push for that and arrange that as they first mentioned that as an option yesterday and I merely said that I wasn't prepared to speak to your schedule and didn't even know if you were in town. Would you like to attend the press conference? Would you like to issue a press statement or a press release touting his plan (we'll have someone at the press conference to ensure that the Senator stays with his comments)? Or would you just like to wait for press calls and handle it that way?

Once you know the direction, I'll work up something for you and assist Sharon in meeting your goals for today.

Thank you, Governor.
Meghan

From: John Katz [mailto:jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wed 7/2/2008 4:53 AM
To: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Cc: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: CONFIDENTIAL: Governor & Stevens

Welcome back. It will be good to work with you again.

I'm not sure where to start. It appears that an awful lot of people are now involved in these dynamics.

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Senator Stevens sent me an email two days ago asking me to consult with the Governor on a few specific points. I have responded twice to him by email, and he replied last night. He has not been copying his staff on our email exchange. So, I haven't either.

I'll summarize my communications with him, the Governor, and the gas team as follows -

- The Senator wants to work with the Governor on a bi-partisan basis to develop an energy policy that addresses national and state concerns.
- He may want to speak to the Legislature, and the Governor doesn't seem to have a problem with this. This could be as early as July 10th.
- The Senator wants to point to Alaska as a good case history for how petroleum dollars can be used to address short and long-term needs. Right now, the cost of energy in urban and rural Alaska.
- The Governor asked me to emphasize the high priority we attached to in-state production and use of natural gas, and I have.
- The gas team asked me to mention that, next Monday, the Governor will announce a two-step, public/private partnership to provide affordable natural gas to the railbelt.
- The Governor and the gas team asked me to emphasize the value of AGIA and the hope that we can work with the Senator on this.
- This morning, I received a very warm email from the Senator. He did not comment specifically on all of the points I raised. However, he clearly wants to work with the State and the Legislature on a friendly, bi-partisan basis.

A couple of other points. Much of the Senator's outline is premised on opening ANWR and using the revenues therefrom. Circumstances are changing slowly for the better. However, the Democratic leadership in Congress appears adamantly opposed to opening ANWR or more of the OCS.

We have fought for federal OCS revenue sharing with states for years and have come close on prior occasions. In the current budget climate, this appears to be a tough sell.

I hope this helps. Please let me know if you need anything more.

p.s. I have copied everyone who is working on these issues so that we are all aware of what has occurred thus far. Please keep in confidence.

John W. Katz
Director of State/Federal Relations
and Special Counsel to the Governor
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(202)624-5858

>>> On 7/2/2008 at 1:25 AM, in message
<2E222297579BD54CBF7BFB95C542C28ECE782A@SOAANCMMSG03.soa.alaska.gov>,

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"Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov> wrote:
John,

Good morning!

First of all, I am back assisting the Governor with Gasline Communications. So, hello again!

Secondly, in that capacity, Kurt Gibson (Member of Gasline Team / Division of Oil & Gas) and I have been working on potential talking points for the Governor if she's asked about the Senator's energy plans or if she's asked to participate in the press conference. Earlier today, I reached out to some of those on his staff that I know and they were incredibly receptive to assisting us and pleased that someone from Alaska actually called them to say hello and ask for information. One even suggested that the Governor might stand with the Senator which probably doesn't even work with her schedule, but I don't know. At this point, we're treating this press conference as something she may have to respond to and we'd like to do so in a positive manner.

Kris Perry said that you've also got information that no one else has regarding the bullet line. And so as I put the talking points together and outline my conversation with his office, I was wondering if you could check against your information and add to it. Ideally, you and I would have this done by 10am ish, if that works with your schedule, so that the Governor can look at this first thing in the morning.

Thanks so much,
Meghan

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 7:10 PM
To: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Gibson; Kurtis K (DNR)
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens Invitation

Thanks for all your help and coordination today! It went very well. I'll regret the Fairbanks press conf, please relay that to his office as I'll be in sunny (?) Juneau. Thanks again, sincerely.

-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Stapleton
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: K Perry
Cc: Sharon Leighow
Cc: Kurt Gibson
Sent: Jul 2, 2008 3:45 PM
Subject: Senator Stevens Invitation

Governor,

From all accounts, today went great. The Senator's office expressed great pleasure with how everything went today. While the Senator recognizes this is last minute, he does want to extend an invitation to have you join him in Fairbanks for the press conference which begins at 9am.

My understanding is that you're leaving for Juneau tonight and I can pass that along to the Senator's staff, along with the message that you apologize you can't make it this time, but I did want to give you the option.

Thanks,

Meghan

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 3:57 PM
To: Benedict; Nichole M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 1:55 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Rose Rodriguez Garcia
address: P. O. Box 222322 Anchorage AK 99522
907-350-4677

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

Let me first express my appreciation for the wonderful reception you gave our military personnel during the celebration of Alaska's 50 Years event/Elmendorf Air Force base. My husband and my father are both Veterans and my son is currently serving in Iraq. We not only pray for

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 7:17 PM
To: Morgan; Katryn L (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Greta Clark: Vision for the Yupik People

Absolutely the reconciliation is long overdue. I don't know what the "right" opportunity will be, but pray for God's opportunity to be presented. Let's be prepared with God-inspired words for that time... so feel free to begin! (So will I begin to contemplate this.)

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From: "Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)" <kate.morgan@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 12:30:51 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Greta Clark: Vision for the Yupik People

Governor,

I wanted to convey the conversation that I had with Greta Clark, the woman you met at One Lord Sunday in the Valley. Greta wanted to share with you the vision that she felt God had given her for the Yupik people in particular, but which is applicable for all Natives; you asked me to get her phone number so that our office might contact her later.

Greta is a Christian and a prayer warrior, and she says there is still a tremendous amount of pain in Alaska's Native communities due to Non-native on Native injustice and duplicity. When she visits these communities with her ministry, she tells them of the apologies she's received from Non-natives for the way the Native people have been treated, apologies that have helped her move forward. She says that – especially in the far north – they respond with, "We have not heard this! We're hurt! They broke our trust, stole from us, and hurt us. We don't believe what you have said they say."

Greta longs for reconciliation and healing. She believes this can only begin with a public apology. She said that it needs to be someone who can reach across the line of pain, eventually suggesting that if you felt God lead you in this direction, that you be the one to issue such an apology at an upcoming AFN conference, if the opportunity presented itself. Greta believes that a public apology would begin deep healing, bring political alignment, and provide opportunity for the Native communities – right now, Greta says that most far north Native communities are NOT supportive of AGIA, because they fear the land will be ruined or taken from them even further. She thinks they would support your efforts to build a gasline, if they knew that you loved them and were caring for their best interests. She mentioned Todd, saying that the fact that your husband is Native would strengthen the impact your apology would have. Greta believes that the apology would help Native communities move past their pain.

I asked Greta if she was connected to a prayer network, and she laughed and said, "Oh, yes!" She said they keep you in their prayers, and are constantly bringing their wounded people before God. I thanked her and asked her to continue to do so; in the case that you speak at future AFN's, you will most certainly have prayer cover from the Native community.

I don't know what your upcoming schedule looks like, although I'm certain it's busy; but if you do have such an opportunity, and you feel you should take it, I would be privileged to assist you with remarks to move forward on the path to reconciliation. Please let me know if you have any questions for me regarding this conversation/topic, and thank you for your time.

Kate Morgan
Communications Coordinator
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 12:21 PM
To: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: please approve
Sounds great!

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 12:21:27 -0800
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: please approve

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Thanks. Once approved by everyone else, please send Sharon. I will be away from the computer.

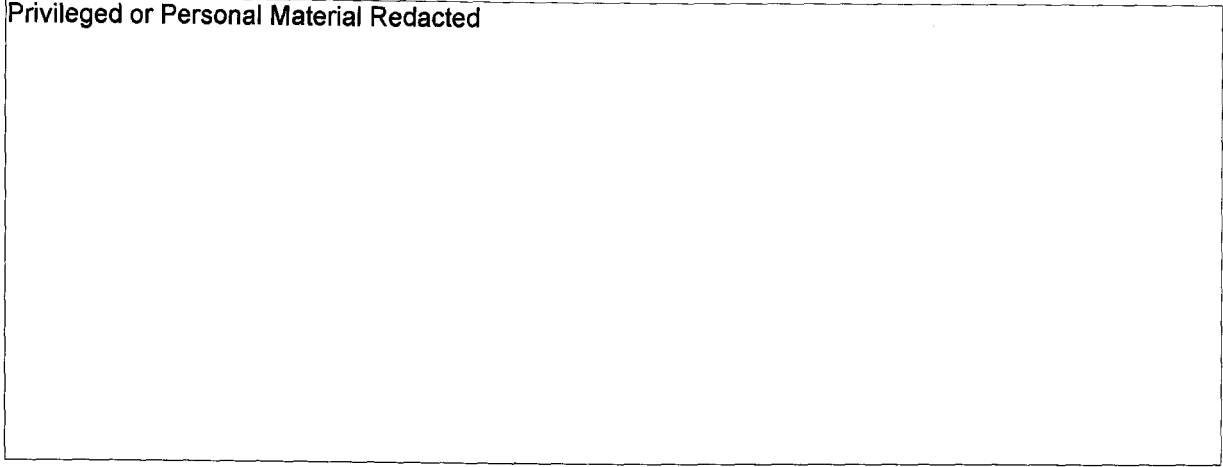
Thanks!
Meg

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Sent: Wed 7/2/2008 12:00 PM
To: ExternalEmailgsp
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Subject: please approve

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 4:19 PM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: Native Village of Point Hope v. Shell et. al.
Right on! Thank you and congratulations! Hope it t'aint appealed.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 16:19:04 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: FW: Native Village of Point Hope v. Shell et. al.

Dear Governor Palin, We have prevailed over the effort to enjoin seismic testing for oil exploration. Attached is Judge Beistline's order from today. The injunction to stop testing was denied and dismissed. It is a good win. It will probably be appealed. Talis

From: Tillery, Craig J (LAW)
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 4:13 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Katz, John W (GOV)
Subject: FW: Native Village of Point Hope v. Shell et. al.

FYI

Craig J. Tillery
Deputy Attorney General
Alaska Department of Law
1031 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 200
Anchorage, AK 99501
(907) 269-5200
craig.tillery@alaska.gov

Please note that my email address has changed to craig.tillery@alaska.gov

From: Mulder, Steven E (LAW)
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 4:03 PM
To: Tillery, Craig J (LAW)
Cc: Kobayashi, Tina (LAW)
Subject: Native Village of Point Hope v. Shell et. al.

Congratulations to Jen Schorr and Jon Katchen for their part in this successful decision from Judge Beistline in the seismic surveys matter. Our intervention was granted and the state's interests considered in the decision denying the plaintiffs' preliminary injunction motion.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 9:37 AM
To: Wilken; Jessica M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 11:06 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Bruce Lozanoff
address: po box 4225 palmer AK 99645
907-376-1031

MESSAGE:

Gov. Palin,

I have been a resident in the Mat-Su for 25 years now and in fact I have had the pleasure of working with both of your parents and spending time talking to them about their latest adventures. I must say, I voted for you with some trepidation; however, I figured if you had the same personality as your parents, you would work out fine. Well, my intuition was right.

My wife is a special education teacher and I am a school psychologist and we appreciate greatly what you are trying to do to improve the overall educational environment in the state. You appear to be a strong advocate for children as well as improving the work conditions for all educators.

Your latest proposal of a energy allowance for state residents further shows your understanding of the financial plight of hard working Alaskans barely making ends meet.

In the last 2 years I personally know 5 couples, all in education, who have left the state because of the continued soaring costs of living along with stagnant salaries. Each of these couples had been employed in the Mat-Su for a minimum of 20 years. These were hard decisions for all of them, but an economic necessity outweighed there love of the state.

My wife and I are in the same boat and are in the process of making huge lifetime decisions. We were recently in the lower 48 looking not only at comparable paying jobs, but an overall cost of living that is becoming more and more disparaging here. For example, gas prices in Ohio, Colorado, Wyoming and Illinois were a minimum of .70 less a gallon. This sure adds up over time.

We continue to feel Alaska is our home and we feel you are certainly a very positive political change in a politically polluted environment. Keep up the good work for the people and don't let the system get the best of you.

Bruce and Linda Lozanoff

blozanoff@hotmail.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 9:20 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Fitness

I'll do the Fitness segment of that publication if theyll shoot somewhere cool and distracting like at a glacier or out fishing or hiking w trig in jogger or backpack

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 9:23 AM
To: Castle; Lillian K (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Rintala; Jessalynn F (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 01, 2008 4:56 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Duke Kahumoku
address: 6711 Weimer Dr. #5 Anchorage AK 99502
907-677-1981

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Sarah Palin, (My HERO)

My name is Duke Kahumoku (Republican), 26 years old, I have a wife Kathryn and an almost 3 year old named Seamus (Shay-mes). I am a Hawaiian living in Alaska as a resident, I know it may sound pretty insane. I've been here since 1992 when our family moved to Kodiak and I was 10 or 11 (Dad was one of the Captain's for the Coast Guard fire house there.). I've learned how to fish & hunt from the great native Alaskans that live there. Also, I do call Alaska my home, not Hawaii.

I hold a class A CDL and worked construction until I severely injured my back through working labor on a job. This occurred last August, 2007. It's a long story and I know that you may be very busy so I won't go into the details, I will only say that I go in for back surgery July 23, 2008 with a fusion at two levels L4-L5/L5-S1 and maybe L3-L4. I've been in severe pain since that injury and my right leg goes numb only if I do the dishes, so, I am bound to bed rest, however my right leg still remains numb so I may as well just do it right, haha. I was barely able to make it through my first year of college last year at UAA. Missing out on many lectures because of pain, I studied hard through the pain and the affects of meds and I got pretty good grades with a 4.0 last semester with

barely showing up (Chemistry was one of the classes, VERY hard for me.), haha.

Anyways, I've been meaning to communicate with you since you were voted in because I and my wife Kathryn voted for you and we support you for TWO terms. We wish you could remain our Governor forever, because we know that you really do care for Alaskans and want to do what's best for us. So, with all of this time and sitting I just wanted to let you know how much strength that you give to me. (I will be honest, I am afraid of this surgery because anything can happen, especially while working around Major nerves.) Every time I hear your voice speaking to your people of Alaska, it somehow strengthens me through this very tough time in my life(I want to be fishing and hunting right now, I'm not one to just sit). I know that may sound crazy. But, just to give you an idea of how you influence my home; I Love the story of "Alexander the Great". He is my favorite of them all. For he truly loved the people that he conquered and was not ruthless to them. Also, he made things happen for

his people and he was not greedy like those before him. But, shared the windfall of riches with his people. Just like you are trying to do.

Governor Palin, you are my "Alexander the Great". I do look up to you and your administration because you make things happen to benefit Alaska. You did not bow to any oil company when you raised the taxing on oil to add to Alaska's already thriving state account. This was an awesome move and the Governor before you lost all trust in the people by cushioning his own lifestyle and buddying up with these oil companies.

Anyways, my whole reason for this email is that I was able to visit Hawaii, the Big Island, Kailua-Kona this last Christmas (painful traveling, lots of meds, haha.) for two weeks and I haven't been back since I was 9 or 17 years ago. I am seriously considering getting all of my schooling here at UAA and then moving back to Hawaii to run for politics. Because, the democrats basically continue to vote down funding to better suit the healthcare for the Hawaiian residents. This is only one of the many struggles that I am seeing the people are facing. My Father is now a Fire Chief for the airport of Kailua-Kona and Waimea airport and he is so afraid of a disaster striking because there is only one very small Hospital in Kona for that side of the Island. The next hospital is 45 minutes to 2 hours away depending on where you are located.

**My question to you after all of this blabbing is what classes or degree shall I be pursuing to learn politics to become as great as you. One day I desire to become the Governor of Hawaii (NOT for power, but, to make life better for the people like you.)And although they have a different major source of revenue, I will be calling you for information. So, any words of wisdom, information, etc. that you may have for me will be valued Greatly.

Sorry for keeping you for so long, I did not intend for this email to be this long. Congrats on the new baby, I'm sure that this new child of yours is SO cute. God has been very gracious to you and your family and I only desire that your household will continue to be blessed. "Long live Governor Sarah Palin." This is what the people of Alaska should be shouting from the streets each time you show up.

My recovery will be long but I would like to remain in touch with you. Oh, if you could review the Alaska workers comp. laws and do anything to increase the benefits for getting rehabilitated through getting retrained instead of taking money (I don't want the money I desire education only as a compensation.) Right now, insurance companies through Alaska law are only required to pay for two years for someone like myself to become retrained or attend UAA for a 2 year degree. The problem with that is most of the 2 year degrees require pre-requisites or in other words it takes 3 years of study in the Radiology Technology program to get the benefits of an Associate's Degree. It makes no sense to me. Other places like Charter College are too expensive because the insurance is only required to pay \$13,500 give or take total. AVTEC, another retraining place only trains for jobs making much less than I made as a truck driver/laborer.

That's another question; again I'm sorry for keeping you.

I would like to meet you sometime personally the next time you come into Anchorage, maybe during my recovery period, the whole next year basically. Or a call if you have the time would be so awesome.

Sincerely,

Duke Kahumoku (R)

(907) 677-1981 Home

(907) 240-3004 Cell

"My Governor seek thee out this entire U.S. Nation which is equal to thyself; for Alaska has not room for thee."

-Duke Kahumoku

Meaning: "Sarah Palin for President of the United States".

(Words of King Phillip 2nd cried out in much joy to Alexander the Great when Alexander tamed a horse which he named Bucephalus "ox-headed" as a young boy when no other man could tame this horse.) Obviously, these words are tweeked a little by myself. These words are from the heart of one of your most honored citizens. Have a wonderful day.

thegoat812@hotmail.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 12:13 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: please approve
Great

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 12:00:55 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR) <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>
Subject: please approve

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 8:54 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Juneau

You're very welcome! Willow's always willing to lend a hand. :)

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jul 02 08:46:18 2008
Subject: Re: Juneau

Thanks so much. Hopefully Willow's being helpful today.

-----Original Message-----

From: Erika Fagerstrom
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 2, 2008 8:43 AM
Subject: Re: Juneau

Hello,

No problem!! It's nice here right now, and we'll keep praying!!

Erika

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jul 02 08:11:09 2008
Subject: Juneau

Hi Erika! The plan is for me, Willow, Pip and Trig to spend 4th of July weekend there. Can we get hot dogs for the house? We'll be praying for sun so we can picnic outside. Thanks!

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Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 7:41 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR)
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Um, no ;) I pulled over

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To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Sent: Wed Jul 02 07:29:41 2008
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Amen.

U textin and drivin? Didn't u just pass a law... ;)

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 07:20:38 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR) <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

P.s. If ok w/ts, it would be great. Strong msg.

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To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)

Sent: Wed Jul 02 07:09:18 2008

Subject: Fw: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Kris: Rosanne can't print the attachments for me, she emailed that she's at the airport... did she cc you in her reply to me on that (I already deleted it). If not, she should have.

I'll reschedule with Wally and will even go to his office to get chewed out instead of missing TS's presser, if TS wants me there. I just need to know when and where and if he wants me there.

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Good point. I'm keeping that in mind re: speculators.

Thanks so much for today! Hickel was tempered, so was Sheffield. We'll cross our fingers that they'll chill until after the AGIA vote.

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Oh yeah, one other thing. Sen. Stevens will talk about energy speculators. I'm a former trader of energy commodities and, to put it diplomatically, I think there's room to argue whether or not they are the root of the problem. That said, it's safe to say that the goings on among energy speculators bear examination (at times like this everything does bear examination, right?).

Good luck!

kkg

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Didn't know time nor place. Still, if TS wants me there I'd be there... Where is it?

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Does the time matter with your schedule - his presser is at 11am.

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Subject: Re: Filming at the Heaven farm

Pls let them know it didn't work out as I am traveling back to Juneau Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Sharon Leighow
To: Governor Sarah Palin
To: K Perry
To: Janice Mason
Sent: Jul 1, 2008 6:55 PM
Subject: Filming at the Heaven farm

Governor-

I spoke with Margaret Heaven today about the film crew at her farm. They are filming a "psycho thriller" on the property and she wanted to know if you would like to stop by and say hello to the crew. She said the crew is there late into the evenings. I told her that if your schedule permits, I would let her know. Ms. Heaven implied that you knew where her farm is located. Thanks

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Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 5:03 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Energy Event/follow-up

It sounds like you and Senator Stevens had a very successful event yesterday.

Is there any follow-up that you would like to see at the federal level? We are already on record in support of most of the energy initiatives that Senator Stevens outlined. However, I just want to make sure that we're not missing anything from your perspective.

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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Thanks again for yesterday! Here's a recap of meetings I shared w Kurt:
(And we do need to plan for other producers/independents to be invited to sit w TC right after the affirmative vote - we can at least put out the invite)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Thu, 3 Jul 2008 16:00:02 +0000
To: Kurt Gibson<kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

I think he'll say something along the lines: "I don't care who builds the gasline, just get it built". Marty and Tom were amazingly patient w Wally. It seemed that Malcolm learned a few things and perhaps will be able to explain more to Wally. He repeated that they'd have to "study further" some of the things we were telling him. He (and later Sheffield) both acted surprised and unbelieving when we said in-state IS priority - as big line is built of course we'll facilitate spur and/or bullet. They thought we were so locked in w big line there was no chance for LNG. Also, Sheffield had heard we're prohibited from talking to anyone but TC once they're licensed. He brought up Lesil's mediation idea and insisted we need to consider this, but not with an outside mediator (instead that would be me)... I told him the day after TC is licensed we DO sit down with them, the producers... all the players. We won't mandate partnerships but can facilitate. And I told him Hal had already agreed to that, as had Mulva, and I'd assume at least BP would join in too, probably Exxon, and why not independents too? He was shocked that we'd already thought of that and were planning it - and we were certainly not prohibited from doing so. He used the term "travesty" when referring to this assumed gag order. Kris has Sheffield's talking points that he left with us, I'll ask her to get those to you, Tom, Marty, Meg. Thanks again!

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To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
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thank you, you did wonderfully. Marty said Hicel was pretty tough. any indication from senator stevens regarding what he might say next week when he addresses the legislature? sure would be nice to hear him say something positive about AGIA.

thanks again.

kkg

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]
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Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: In-State Gas concept paper for Monday's Press Conference

Sorry, I'm just a little on-edge after the past couple of days. This whole gasoline episode has been a long and exhausting ordeal.

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Governor, Kris,

Here is what I believe to be the "final" concept paper for the "In-State Gas" Conference on Monday. This paper has the blessing of both ANGDA and ENSTAR and this is the concept we are all working off. And, hopefully, their comments will be pegged off it as well. The following people will be at the press event, although other representatives from the entities may show-up:

ENSTAR:

Gene Dubay, Executive VP & COO for Continental Energy Systems (owner company of ENSTAR)

Colleen Starring, Regional VP for ENSTAR

ANGDA:

Scott Heyworth, Acting Chairman

Harold Heinze, CEO

Administration:

Tom Irwin, DNR

Pat Galvin, DOR

Joe Balash, Gov's Ofc

Marcia Davis, DOR

Marty Rutherford, DNR

I have advised everyone that the press conference is scheduled for 1:00pm on Monday, July 7th, in your Anchorage Conference Room. They have also been advised that you will be announcing this formation of a project development venture (a public/private partnership) and will be laying out the concept, followed by Gene Dubay, Scott Heyworth and Harold Heinze making brief statements. I have asked everyone to be at your offices about 15 minutes ahead of time as you may want to go into the Conference Room together.

I will be using this paper to put together some talking points for you, Governor. Should you wish anything else, please let me know. My cell phone #: 317-4728.

Also, we have identified a series of people to pre-message this announcement to and we will be making those calls on Sunday evening and early Monday.

Thanks for all your support, Governor, and for your recognition that dealing with in-state gas needs is critical! It was a great insight that I believe will push the AGIA License over the edge!

Marty

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Subject: Fw: Barrow travel
Importance: High

Mike or Janice- can you chime in on the regs portion of this?

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 21:10:25 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Barrow travel

I explained that to them. They seemed more hung up on regs than anything. I am hoping for the best.

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To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); K Perry Yahoo <krisandclark@yahoo.com>
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Itta DID want the family there- it'd be more offensive to have NOT brought at least one of them to such a family-oriented celebration.

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To: GSarah<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
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Comparing Murki's travel is key here.

Also I bet Kris could get Mayor Itta or someone to indicate the desire and/or specific request from the community of Barrow for the whole family.

This is of course ridiculous. The community of Barrow was elated that you and Piper visited.

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And flippin' a... do they need an explanation for Trig being there also, in his snugglie?

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To: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
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I spoke to Andy Mack. He will brief Mayor Itta. He specifically recalls Mayor Itta's invitation to the Governor and her family. The festival is very much a family event. He/Mayor Itta are ready and willing to respond. Sharon, you can call Andy or have Kyle call him at Privileged

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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Gov Palin to Announce In-State Natural Gas- 07.03.08

Governor,

We truly are on the verge of something spectacular for the State. Below is an Exchange between myself and Scott Heyworth to illustrate the point.

Joe

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From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 03 19:41:43 2008
Subject: Re: Gov Palin to Announce In-State Natural Gas- 07.03.08

Joe,

aw shucks.....tears in my eyes!

and back at ya.....thanks you for your help and assistance through out!!!!!!

"it ain't so easy!"

we are so "flippin" close!!!!!!!

i am so excited!

we are all going to make this happen!

i love my Gov!

and thanks for the nod.

Harold is so excited and happy!

believe me!!!!!!

we are both just pretty formidable "bad cop, good cops".
for Alaska consumers and residents.

we are working with Colleen and Gene.
already.

just let us go to work.

any snags.....let us know.

see ya Monday.

i am bringing a bowl of popcorn!!!!
lol.

your friend,
scott

----- Original Message -----

From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) <mailto:joe.balash@alaska.gov>

To: heyworth@gci.net

Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 7:30 PM

Subject: Re: Gov Palin to Announce In-State Natural Gas- 07.03.08

Scott,

Thank you for your help and enthusiasm over the past 48 hrs. I know this is all happening quickly, but the opportunity is here and we want to seize it.

Thank you as well from one Alaskan to another for keeping the faith, so to speak. We are so close to making some really exciting things happen...thank you.

Joe

----- Original Message -----

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>

To: Nick Stepovich <nstepo@hotmail.com>; Don Benson <dab@nhtiusa.com>; Kate Lamal <kkl@gvea.com>; Robert Favretto <rcf@kenaichrysler.com>; Scott R Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>; sullivan51@aol.com <sullivan51@aol.com>

Cc: Davis, Marcia R (DOR); joegriff@chugach.net <joegriff@chugach.net>; Tony Izzo <tizzo@gci.net>

Sent: Thu Jul 03 17:58:57 2008

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Dear Board Members:

Things are moving very, very quickly now.

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You may attend in person or again via telephone conference call-in.

PLEASE plan to attend or call in.

It will mostly likely be about 30-45 minutes long.

ANGDA has , by law, legally noticed this Board Meeting.

We will be sending you the call-in phone numbers early Monday morning.

Meanwhile, enjoy this Fourth of July!!

Best Wishes,

Scott

Subject: FW: MA-Governor Palin to Make Announcement Regarding In-State Natural Gas-
07.03.08

July 3, 2008

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For reporters who are unable to attend in person, a teleconference has been

arranged.

Who: Governor Sarah Palin

What: In-State Gas Announcement

When: Monday, July 7, 2008, 1 p.m.

Where: Governor's Conference Room

Atwood Bldg.

550 W. Seventh Ave.

Anchorage

Teleconference: 1-800-315-6338, access code 0707#

Contact: Sharon Leighow (907) 240-7943

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Subject: Re: NGA

Got it

-----Original Message-----

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To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: K Perry
Sent: Jul 3, 2008 5:19 PM
Subject: RE: NGA

The State pays for the NGA trip. RGA always has meetings around NGA but I have never known RGA to pay for any portions of the actual travel to NGA meetings. Janice

-----Original Message-----

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Yes, I told Dan Fauske that I'd oblige(sp?) the guy (he's Fauske's buddy and had dared him to ask me), and keep his streak streakin' ! He's done 7 gov's, I guess, and Fauske said he didn't want the streak to be broken. So...

Whatever it takes to keep an ol' Alaskan tradition alive.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sharon Leighow
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 3, 2008 5:18 PM
Subject: Ear

Governor-

Did you commit to a haircut at the captain cook barber shop? Apparently the old crusty barber there has cut all of the gov's hair except for you and cowper.

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Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 8:40 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: 4th of July offer -
Importance: High

Governor - Good Morning and Welcome to Sunny Juneau!

I just received a phone call from the 4th of July Parade Committee here. They had heard that you may be in town and would like to extend an offer to you. They have a 64 Thunderbird Convertible that is available for you to ride through the Parade in. You would need to be available tomorrow morning at 10:30 a.m. to do this. Harrison Ford is rumored to be here also (sighting at Baranof Hotel) and they have asked that he ride in Parade but because of Security they say he has already left town.

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To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Parochial school tax exemption.

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Subject: Re: Monday, press conf

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To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Monday, press conf

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To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 03 12:44:57 2008

Subject: Re: Monday, press conf

Ummmm, that's Thayer and that other lobbyist. Why would they want it there? Enstar isn't the only company that could build the bullet line, is what they told me.

-----Original Message-----

From: K Perry

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 3, 2008 12:46 PM

Subject: Monday, press conf

Joe and Marty are inquiring about having it at Enstar as opposed to your conf room. They'll make sure to control the participation. Is that ok?

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 5:28 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Kim; Anna C (GOV)
Subject: Re: Status report and recommendations
Got it thanks!

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From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 17:29:24 -0800
To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Kim, Anna C (GOV) <anna.kim@alaska.gov>
Subject: Status report and recommendations

Governor:

Anna and I have finished meetings with the second team of experts on the grants to utilities legislation. I am working now on a status report and recommendations on all remaining open policy items related to legislation for the special session. I should have that to you by the morning.

Steve Haagensen may send you an e-mail on some of the issues. You may want to wait until you receive our status report and recommendations before responding to him.

Thanks,

Randy

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 8:03 PM
To: Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: In-State Gas concept paper for Monday's Press Conference

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From: "Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 15:47:45 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
CC: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; <joe.balash@alaska.gov>
Subject: In-State Gas concept paper for Monday's Press Conference

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Marty

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Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 8:59 PM

To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)

Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: Re: In-State Gas concept paper for Monday's Press Conference

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From: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 20:39:25 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>;

Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

CC: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: In-State Gas concept paper for Monday's Press Conference

Governor,

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Joe

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To: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Sent: Thu Jul 03 20:02:37 2008

Subject: Re: In-State Gas concept paper for Monday's Press Conference

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Marty

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 8:55 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Kel Goode
Subject: Re: Barrow travel

Importance: High

Huh? Is he writing a story on the First Family's invitation to attend a native celebration? The state only bought one, one-way ticket for only one other member of the First Family (only the return flt), as not all 7 of us attended, of course.

When we're invited to a family event I do road trips when possible, but Barrow aint a road trip. They were thrilled at least Piper could make it out of the first family members.

And we didn't even spend the night so no hotel!

And my travel is 1/4 what Murk's was, despite having a large family that's always invited to all these Alaskan first family events.

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 20:14:16 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Barrow travel

Governor -

Just an FYI. I talked with Kyle Hopkins at length about First Family travel. He specifically asked about the Barrow trip and why the state should pay for Piper's travel expenses. I explained at length that there is a certain obligation and expectation of the First Family to participate in community activities and make public appearances. He said/ will say that I could not give a specific regulation that spells out First Family travel guidelines. I told him that it is unfair to ask me for a specific regulation - after hours - before a holiday and if necessary, I would call Nizich or Linda at home. He said that was walking out the door and he would let his editors know of my concerns. I insisted that he - attribute to me, that a regulation exists.

Hopefully, I will portrayed accurately in the paper tomorrow. Thanks.

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

465-4031 Juneau
269-7450 Anchorage
240-7943 cell

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From: Meera Kohler [mkohler@avec.org]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 4:33 PM
To: Palin; Sarah H (GOV)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Haagenson; Steven H (AIDEA); Notti; Emil R (CED); McBride; Rhonda (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: AVEC Fuel Crisis
Importance: High
<<Governor re Fuel Crisis.doc>>

Dear Governor Palin,

Please see the attached letter from AVEC regarding our immediate and dire fuel crisis.

I await your swiftest response.

Sincerely,

Meera Kohler

Meera Kohler
President/CEO
Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc.
4831 Eagle Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99503
Voice: (907) 565-5531
Fax: (907) 562-4086
Email: mkohler@avec.org

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From: Nancy Berland [lcc11@aptalaska.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 2:27 PM
To: Swanton; Charles O (DFG)
Cc: Taylor; Kenton P (DFG); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV); Brookover; Thomas E (DFG)
Subject: transparent, accountable state agencies

Dear Charlie,

Lynn Canal Conservation has been advocating protecting the outstanding salmon spawning and rearing habitat inside the Alaska Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve from **preventable** impacts from 32-passenger twin 150 horsepower commercial jet boat tours since 2000. Our past involvement is well documented in the administrative record.

Having a scientific basis is key to good decision-making. Providing the public with that scientific basis is good policy and makes for transparent, accountable government.

The 2008 ADFG recommendations for the commercial jet boat tour route are the first from the Palin administration, and represent a **significant departure** from the precautionary management of past ADFG recommendations. Since April 29, LCC has unsuccessfully tried to ascertain ADFG's scientific basis for those recommendations through a series of 3 records requests. As of today, July 3, we are no closer to learning that basis than we were on April 29.

What we have learned is that "there is not a central file system within the department containing a single or central Chilkat River file for 2008." That the individual who was central to decision-making stated "existing public records will likely not provide answers to the specific questions posed in your requests for scientific rationale." That the local ADFG office - even though it was involved in formulating the recommendations - has been instructed not to provide us with information and instead we must go through Anchorage.

Since ADFG seems unable/unwilling to provide its scientific basis, can we correctly assume that there was no scientific basis upon which ADFG reversed precautionary management of some of the best salmon habitat inside the Preserve, and Southeast Alaska?

Nancy Berland
Conservation Director

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 2:24 PM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: Yukon Crew In CA Picture
Of course! They rock!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 13:35:20 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Yukon Crew In CA Picture

Can I have your permission to share this with our fire crews? They would love it. No pressure. Thanks. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jul 02 20:49:00 2008
Subject: Re: Yukon Crew In CA Picture

I'm jealous! (Not to be w/Arnold, but to be w/our fire crew!)

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From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 11:37:52 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
CC: Irwin, Tom E (DNR) <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Subject: Fw: Yukon Crew In CA Picture

Governor, you will enjoy this. Alaska fire fighters helping in Ca. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: Maisch, John C (DNR)
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR)
Cc: Brown, Dean N (DNR); Wilcock, Lynn R (DNR)
Sent: Wed Jul 02 11:26:27 2008
Subject: Yukon Crew In CA Picture

Tom and Dick,

Thought you might enjoy this picture of some the Yukon crew with Governor S. in CA. Our season is very slow, so we have been sending resources to the L-48 as we determine there is not a need to retain them in state. So far we have sent 19 crews, 15 of which are village Type II crews; the others are agency Type I or Type IIA crews. In addition we have 73 DOF staff on assignment and the Interagency Type I IMT goes to number one on the rotation list this Friday.

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Once we are thru the 4th. of July holiday, we may release additional resources. I will keep you posted

Chris

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 9:35 AM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: 07WTR3 Appeal – SCt Oral Argument
Got it. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 09:30:42 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: FW: 07WTR3 Appeal – SCt Oral Argument

Dear Governor Palin, You probably already have it, if not here is the state supreme court decision from this morning. The Lt. Gov.'s decision to allow Water 3 on the ballot based on our advice was affirmed. The matter will go to the voters. The mining industry will not be happy. The anti-Pebble people will probably be happy. Talis

From: Barnhill, Michael A (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 9:09 AM
To: Barnhill, Michael A (LAW); DeYoung, Jan H (LAW); Tillery, Craig J (LAW); Leonard, Cameron M (LAW); Heese, Ruth Hamilton (LAW); Gordon, Nancy R (LAW); Hooley, Jason M (GOV); Pullins, Jay D (GOV); Parnell, Sean R (GOV); Grace, Joanne M (LAW); Felix, Sarah J (LAW); Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Jones, David T (LAW); Fenumiai, Gail M (GOV)
Subject: RE: 07WTR3 Appeal – SCt Oral Argument

The Supreme Court issued an order in this case today sustaining Judge Blankenship's ruling that 07WTR3 is appropriate for the ballot (attached). A decision will follow later.

The Court rejected all of the challenges to 07WTR3 (interpretation, appropriation, special legislation, and ballot summary and statement of cost).

Mike B.

From: Barnhill, Michael A (LAW)
Sent: Tuesday, June 17, 2008 10:06 AM
To: DeYoung, Jan H (LAW); Tillery, Craig J (LAW); Leonard, Cameron M (LAW); Heese, Ruth Hamilton (LAW); Gordon, Nancy R (LAW); Hooley, Jason M (GOV); Pullins, Jay D (GOV); Parnell, Sean R (GOV); Grace, Joanne M (LAW); Felix, Sarah J (LAW); Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Jones, David T (LAW)
Subject: 07WTR3 Appeal – SCt Oral Argument

Here's the story in today's paper:

<http://www.adn.com/money/story/438671.html>

Here's my summary:

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Thank you everyone for the huge amount of effort you all have put into this year-long effort. I could not have done it without each of you, particularly Joanne and Dave on the opinions and briefs, and the advisory team (Craig, Ruth and Cam) who ultimately became my moot court on everything from beginning to end. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!

Now on to the mixing zone initiative litigation. Our first brief is due in September!

Mike B.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 9:28 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: 4th of July offer -

Thanks J. I'll be wherever they need me (and the kids) to be at 10:30.
Thanks so much for letting Jace pick up Willow!
Do u know what time fireworks are tonight?

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 08:40:09 -0800
To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: 4th of July offer -

Governor – Good Morning and Welcome to Sunny Juneau!

I just received a phone call from the 4th of July Parade Committee here. They had heard that you may be in town and would like to extend an offer to you. They have a 64 Thunderbird Convertible that is available for you to ride through the Parade in. You would need to be available tomorrow morning at 10:30 a.m. to do this. Harrison Ford is rumored to be here also (sighting at Baranof Hotel) and they have asked that he ride in Parade but because of Security they say he has already left town.

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Thanks, Janice

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 9:29 AM
To: Rowland; Mindy B (GOV)
Cc: Goode; Kelly C (GOV)
Subject: Re: Compliment for You

It's so good to be here! I'm excited for the festivities tomorrow, too. And wow, what a nice message from Carl. Barrow was a great trip - interesting, educational, friendly and fun! I wish we could do more of that.

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From: "Rowland, Mindy B (GOV)" <mindy.rowland@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 09:05:53 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Goode, Kelly C (GOV)<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
Subject: Compliment for You

Hi Governor,

Representative Gatto emailed me this morning to say that you left a very positive impression on both him and the residents of Barrow when you visited earlier this week. I thought you would like to hear what he had to say. You can tell me all about goose head soup one of these days.

Take care and welcome back to Juneau. It's another beautiful day so far, I'll cross my fingers that it holds out while you're here.

-Mindy

Dear Mindy,

I thought you would like to pass on to the governor my observations from Barrow where the governor addressed the Whaling Festival (Nalukataq) ceremonies. I hope I got the Native name correct but for all I know I might be referring to whale intestines. I am sure the whaling museum is the Inupiat Heritage Center and the college is the Ilisagvik, so I got at least a couple names right. Sarah spoke with great humility when referring to the whale boat captains and crews and to the elders, the mayor, a few other distinguished persons and every one who was there. I can say without any question that the Barrowites (another long shot) thought very highly of her willingness to attend their ceremony, her grace in giving so much credit to them, and her warmth and sincerity. I did not observe a single dissenting face, and I looked hard. Her efforts were well noticed and wildly appreciated, by them, and by many but not all of my colleagues. Some legislators simple are just too crabby. Many thanks from her fellow valleyite (hope that's right.) When you get a chance, ask her about goose head soup!

Sincerely,

Rep. Carl Gatto

Mindy Rowland
Deputy Legislative Director
Office of Governor Sarah Palin
465-4021

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Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Fw: 4th of July offer -
Importance: High

K- We can fly to fairbanks and Chena... Janice do u know how many can squeeze into that caravan?

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 8:53 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Gibson; Kurtis K (DNR)
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Mike and I met w/Marty and Joe yesterday and filled them in. Showed them Sheffield's talking points and Britta was getting a copy to her on not only that but the summary from Steven's press conf.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 03 08:00:02 2008
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

I think he'll say something along the lines: "I don't care who builds the gasline, just get it built".

Marty and Tom were amazingly patient w Wally. It seemed that Malcolm learned a few things and perhaps will be able to explain more to Wally. He repeated that they'd have to "study further" some of the things we were telling him. He (and later Sheffield) both acted surprised and unbelieving when we said in-state IS priority - as big line is built of course we'll facilitate spur and/or bullet. They thought we were so locked in w big line there was no chance for LNG.

Also, Sheffield had heard we're prohibited from talking to anyone but TC once they're licensed. He brought up Lesil's mediation idea and insisted we need to consider this, but not with an outside mediator (instead that would be me)... I told him the day after TC is licensed we DO sit down with them, the producers... all the players. We won't mandate partnerships but can facilitate. And I told him Hal had already agreed to that, as had Mulva, and I'd assume at least BP would join in too, probably Exxon, and why not independents too? He was shocked that we'd already thought of that and were planning it - and we were certainly not prohibited from doing so. He used the term "travesty" when referring to this assumed gag order. Kris has Sheffield's talking points that he left with us, I'll ask her to get those to you, Tom, Marty, Meg.

Thanks again!

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From: "Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)" <kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 07:25:14 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

thank you, you did wonderfully. Marty said Hickel was pretty tough. any indication from senator stevens regarding what he might say next week when he addresses the legislature? sure would be nice to hear him say something positive about AGIA.

thanks again.

kkj

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wed 7/2/2008 7:22 PM

To: Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)

Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Good point. I'm keeping that in mind re: speculators.

Thanks so much for today! Hickel was tempered, so was Sheffield. We'll cross our fingers that they'll chill until after the AGIA vote.

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From: "Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)" <kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 10:15:41 -0800

To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Oh yeah, one other thing. Sen. Stevens will talk about energy speculators. I'm a former trader of energy commodities and, to put it diplomatically, I think there's room to argue whether or not they are the root of the problem. That said, it's safe to say that the goings on among energy speculators bear examination (at times like this everything does bear examination, right?).

Good luck!

kkg

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 7:04 AM

To: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Didn't know time nor place. Still, if TS wants me there I'd be there... Where is it?

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 07:01:05 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)<kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Mason, Janice L (GOV)<janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Does the time matter with your schedule - his presser is at 11am.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wed 7/2/2008 6:38 AM
To: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Btw, I wonder if this is why Begich tried to reach me yesterday. I left a voice mail w him in returning his call.

Anyway, if TS chooses not to have me participate at his press conf, let's do our presser w your comments below:

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

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Date: Wed, 02 Jul 2008 06:24:54 -0800
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To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Thanks so much for the update Governor. I am very pleased to hear about the Sheffield discussion. There certainly are a lot of misconceptions out there! I agree we need to involve the independents, as well as the Producers, with TC after the license is passed.

FYI-We were told late yesterday that The AGs just got a courtesy call from ExxonMobil's attorneys. They are going to file their notice of appeal (of Tom's remand decision) on Monday, and file a request for a settlement conference and appointment of an "impartial settlement judge" on Tuesday.

All that was expected, but there doesn't appear to me to be any reason for us to agree to an outside arbiter associated with settlement discussions.

Marty

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 03 08:03:01 2008
Subject: Fw: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Thanks again for yesterday! Here's a recap of meetings I shared w Kurt:

(And we do need to plan for other producers/independents to be invited to sit w TC right after the affirmative vote - we can at least put out the invite)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Thu, 3 Jul 2008 16:00:02 +0000

To: Kurt Gibson<kurtis.gibson@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

I think he'll say something along the lines: "I don't care who builds the gasline, just get it built".

Marty and Tom were amazingly patient w Wally. It seemed that Malcolm learned a few things and perhaps will be able to explain more to Wally. He repeated that they'd have to "study further" some of the things we were telling him. He (and later Sheffield) both acted surprised and unbelieving when we said in-state IS priority - as big line is built of course we'll facilitate spur and/or bullet. They thought we were so locked in w big line there was no chance for LNG.

Also, Sheffield had heard we're prohibited from talking to anyone but TC once they're licensed. He brought up Lesil's mediation idea and insisted we need to consider this, but not with an outside mediator (instead that would be me)... I told him the day after TC is licensed we DO sit down with them, the producers... all the players. We won't mandate partnerships but can facilitate. And I told him Hal had already agreed to that, as had Mulva, and I'd assume at least BP would join in too, probably Exxon, and why not independents too? He was shocked that we'd already thought of that and were planning it - and we were certainly not prohibited from doing so. He used the term "travesty" when referring to this assumed gag order. Kris has Sheffield's talking points that he left with us, I'll ask her to get those to you, Tom, Marty, Meg.

Thanks again!

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Subject: RE: STEVENS ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

thank you, you did wonderfully. Marty said Hickel was pretty tough. any indication from senator stevens regarding what he might say next week when he addresses the legislature? sure would be nice to hear him say something positive about AGIA.

thanks again.

kkg

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To: Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)

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Good point. I'm keeping that in mind re: speculators.

Thanks so much for today! Hickel was tempered, so was Sheffield. We'll cross our fingers that they'll chill until after the AGIA vote.

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Oh yeah, one other thing. Sen. Stevens will talk about energy speculators. I'm a former trader of energy commodities and, to put it diplomatically, I think there's room to argue whether or not they are the root of the problem. That said, it's safe to say that the goings on among energy speculators bear examination (at times like this everything does bear examination, right?).

Good luck!

kkj

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Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 09:00:02 -0800
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Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 8:06 AM
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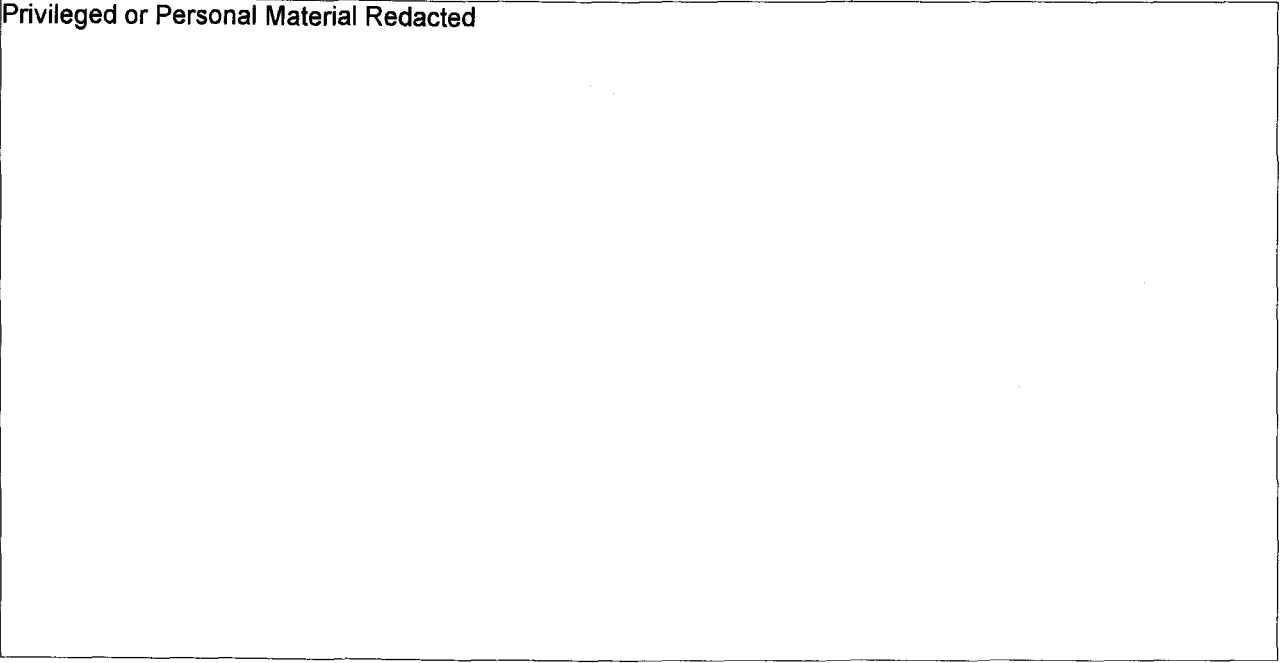
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To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: 4th of July offer -
Yes on both. Fun!

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From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 08:40:09 -0800
To: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: 4th of July offer -

Governor – Good Morning and Welcome to Sunny Juneau!

I just received a phone call from the 4th of July Parade Committee here. They have heard that you may be in town and would like to extend an offer to you. They have a 64 Thunderbird Convertible that is available for you to ride through the Parade in. You would need to be available tomorrow morning at 10:30 a.m. to do this. Harrison Ford is rumored to be here also (sighting at Baranof Hotel) and they have asked that he ride in Parade but because of Security they say he has already left town.

I also just talked with Bob (ANC office) and he checked on the Caravan for July 20. This would be from Wasilla Airstrip to the Fairbanks Picnic and then to Chena Hot Springs. The Caravan is available at that time. From Wasilla to Fairbanks is approximately 1.5 hours. Fairbanks to Chena Hot Springs is 20 minutes. The plane can overnight or come back the same evening.

Thanks, Janice

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Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 9:36 PM
To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Kel Goode; Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Barrow travel

In fact, the only reg or "rule" I've heard on this is that the First Family kids are eligible for per diem everytime they travel, but I've never collected the kids' per diem checks and Linda Perez had me officially state that we would not be claiming any per diem for the kids so they finally quit cutting the checks, as they went uncashed.

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From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 03 Jul 2008 21:20:57 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
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There are no regs specific to first family travel. The ethics code is the driver here. There are always invites for the entire family to attend events throughout the state. Communities not only want the Governor but more often then not invite the entire family.

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Sent: Thu 7/3/2008 8:55 PM
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Huh? Is he writing a story on the First Family's invitation to attend a native celebration? The state only bought one, one-way ticket for only one other member of the First Family (only the return flt), as not all 7 of us attended, of course.
When we're invited to a family event I do road trips when possible, but Barrow aint a road trip. They were thrilled at least Piper could make it out of the first family members.
And we didn't even spend the night so no hotel!
And my travel is 1/4 what Murk's was, despite having a large family that's always invited to all these Alaskan first family events.

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Governor –

Just an FYI. I talked with Kyle Hopkins at length about First Family travel. He specifically asked about the Barrow trip and why the state should pay for Piper's travel expenses. I explained at length that there is a certain obligation and expectation of the First Family to participate in community activities and make public appearances. He said/ will say that I could not give a specific regulation that spells out First Family travel guidelines. I told him that it is unfair to ask me for a specific regulation – after hours – before a holiday and if necessary, I would call Nizich or Linda at home. He said that was walking out the door and he would let his editors know of my concerns. I insisted that he - attribute to me, that a regulation exists. Hopefully, I will portrayed accurately in the paper tomorrow. Thanks.

Sharon Leighow
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Itta DID want the family there- it'd be more offensive to have NOT brought at least one of them to such a family-oriented celebration.

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Date: Fri, 4 Jul 2008 05:05:21 +0000
To: GSarah<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Barrow travel

Comparing Murki's travel is key here.

Also I bet Kris could get Mayor Itta or someone to indicate the desire and/or specific request from the community of Barrow for the whole family.

This is of course ridiculous. The community of Barrow was elated that you and Piper visited.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 4 Jul 2008 04:55:00 +0000

To: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

CC: K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Kel Goode<kellyc@acsalaska.net>

Subject: Re: Barrow travel

Huh? Is he writing a story on the First Family's invitation to attend a native celebration? The state only bought one, one-way ticket for only one other member of the First Family (only the return flt), as not all 7 of us attended, of course.

When we're invited to a family event I do road trips when possible, but Barrow aint a road trip. They were thrilled at least Piper could make it out of the first family members.

And we didn't even spend the night so no hotel!

And my travel is 1/4 what Murk's was, despite having a large family that's always invited to all these Alaskan first family events.

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Subject: Barrow travel

Governor -

Just an FYI. I talked with Kyle Hopkins at length about First Family travel. He specifically asked about the Barrow trip and why the state should pay for Piper's travel expenses. I explained at length that there is a certain obligation and expectation of the First Family to participate in community activities and make public appearances. He said/ will say that I could not give a specific regulation that spells out First Family travel guidelines. I told him that it is unfair to ask me for a specific regulation - after hours - before a holiday and if necessary, I would call Nizich or Linda at home. He said that was walking out the door and he would let his editors know of my concerns. I insisted that he - attribute to me, that a regulation exists.

Hopefully, I will portrayed accurately in the paper tomorrow. Thanks.

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

465-4031Juneau

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From: Frye, Ivy J (GOV) [ivy.frye@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 9:52 PM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com; ftb907@yahoo.com; krisandclark@yahoo.com; Sleighow@aol.com
Subject: Fw: Google Alert - sarah palin

Here's kyle's story re: barrow.

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State pays airfare for Palin's kids <<http://www.adn.com/news/alaska/story/455245.html>>

Anchorage Daily News (subscription) - Anchorage, AK, USA

Sarah Palin's 7-year-old daughter flew to Barrow with her mother this week, the state paid the bill, a Palin spokeswoman said Thursday. ...

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Bristol Bay gillnetters told to limit catch
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Sarah Palin. "It's absolutely infuriating to sit on the beach watching fish go by, not being able to sell your catch." Crome said she's fielded numerous ...

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 5:29 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Kim; Anna C (GOV)
Subject: Status report and recommendations

Governor:

Anna and I have finished meetings with the second team of experts on the grants to utilities legislation. I am working now on a status report and recommendations on all remaining open policy items related to legislation for the special session. I should have that to you by the morning.

Steve Haagensen may send you an e-mail on some of the issues. You may want to wait until you receive our status report and recommendations before responding to him.

Thanks,

Randy

8/24/2009

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Friday, July 04, 2008 10:09 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Lauden

Let me check on paying with a credit card to make sure. I will also get you the exact total. Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

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To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Fri Jul 04 10:02:54 2008
Subject: Re: Lauden

And what's the total amount.

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To: K Perry
Sent: Jul 4, 2008 10:03 AM
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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 04, 2008 10:58 PM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: limits

Got it. Talked to Cora and we will have to regroup on this.

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Fri 7/4/2008 5:37 PM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: limits

This will have to be another mission we get on:

-----Original Message-----

From: Todd
To: Sarah's Personal Email
ReplyTo: Todd
Sent: Jul 3, 2008 10:33 AM
Subject: Re: limits

last year seven out of the nine river system's in Bristol Bay were over escaped.

The processors told Cora that they had the processor capacity to handle this year's record forecast,not looking good so far

--- On Thu, 7/3/08, gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com> wrote:

> **From:** gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
> **Subject:** Re: limits
> **To:** "Todd" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>
> **Date:** Thursday, July 3, 2008, 9:14 AM
> **Didn't they promise Cora they had capacity?**

> -----Original Message-----

> **From:** Todd
> **To:** Sarah's Personal Email
> **ReplyTo:** Todd
> **Sent:** Jul 2, 2008 10:24 PM
> **Subject:** limits

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> no fishing tomorrow for Peter Pan fisherman,their already
> plugged up, July 1 .Way to early to be on limits
>
> I'm just venting

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Does the state want a check, credit card, what for lauden's ticket? And who do I send it to?

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Thanks so much. I'm headed to airport soon to rtn from Juneau so I'll get to read on plane.
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Governor,

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Additionally, Tom, Pat, Joe and I will be calling multiple individuals to give them a heads-up of the announcement late on Sunday and early Monday.

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Thanks,
Marty

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 05, 2008 12:43 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Lopez; Thomas M (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Cockrell; Robert A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Departure

Thanks much

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From: Janice Mason
To: Governor Sarah Palin
To: Tom Lopez
Cc: K Perry
Cc: Bob Cockrell
Sent: Jul 5, 2008 12:14 PM
Subject: RE: Departure

Governor - I just spoke with Bob and the tickets have been purchased. I have added to your calendar. The AK Airlines flight departs @6:41 p.m. from JNU. Bob would like to pick up the luggage at 4:30 p.m. and then pick you and family up at 6:00 p.m. as boarding is at 6:15 p.m.

Bob's blackberry is receiving messages just not able to send any out at this point. Thanks, Janice

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Letting Tom know I need tkts for tonight...

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Date: Sat, 5 Jul 2008 18:09:52

To: Janice Mason<janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Cc: Bob Cockrell<robert.cockrell@alaska.gov>

Subject: Departure

There are seats avail tonight for the three of us to travel to Anchorage, who would make those reservations? (I can, of course, but don't want to do so if someone else has worked on it). Thanks!

And great to see you yest at the parade.

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Marty

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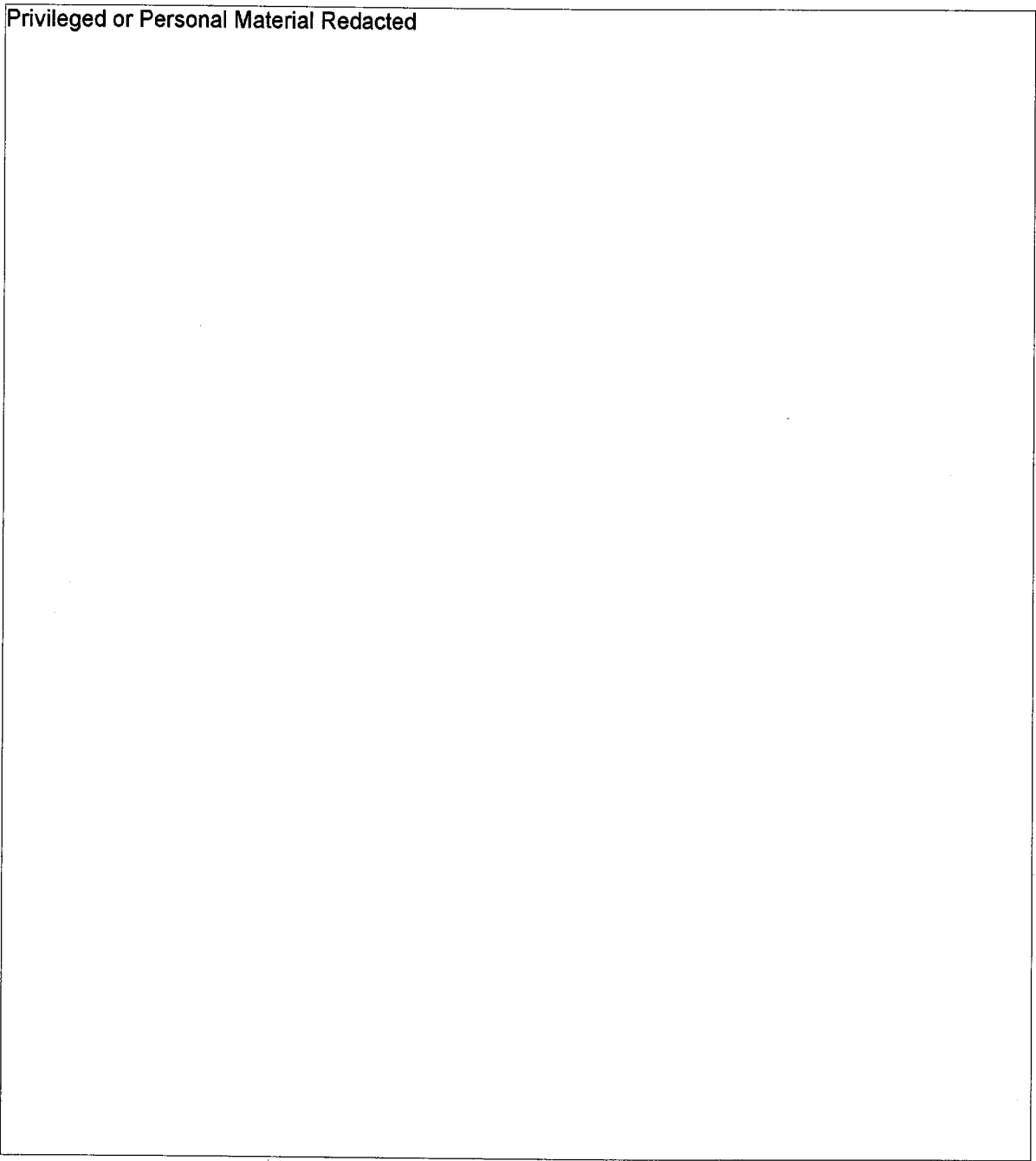
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Marty

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Subject: RE: transparent, accountable state agencies

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Respectfully,
Charlie Swanton

From: Nancy Berland [mailto:lcc11@aptalaska.net]
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Having a scientific basis is key to good decision-making. Providing the public with that scientific basis is good policy and makes for transparent, accountable government.

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Nancy Berland
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Thank you.

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To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: FW: Asking for letter of recommendation from Governor

Yes I remember him, slightly. We can do a form letter for cody.

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To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 7, 2008 4:53 PM
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> [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
> **Sent:** Monday, June 30, 2008 11:36 PM
> **To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
> **Subject:** Other
>
> Web mail from: cody prater-cox
> address: P.O. Box 298236 Wasilla Ak 99654 wasilla AK 99654
> 907-775-2232
>

> MESSAGE:

> hi sarah

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> my name is cody prater-cox i went to school with your son

> track since
> elementary school so you might know/remember me. but
> anyways ill cut to
> the point i am trying to get into the air force academy,
> and i need some
> kind of appointee in a high place to make it. but i figured
> since i have
> known your family for awhile i would ask you befor i ask
> the senators,
> thank you and i hope to hear from you soon
>
> cody
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> codyp_69@hotmail.com

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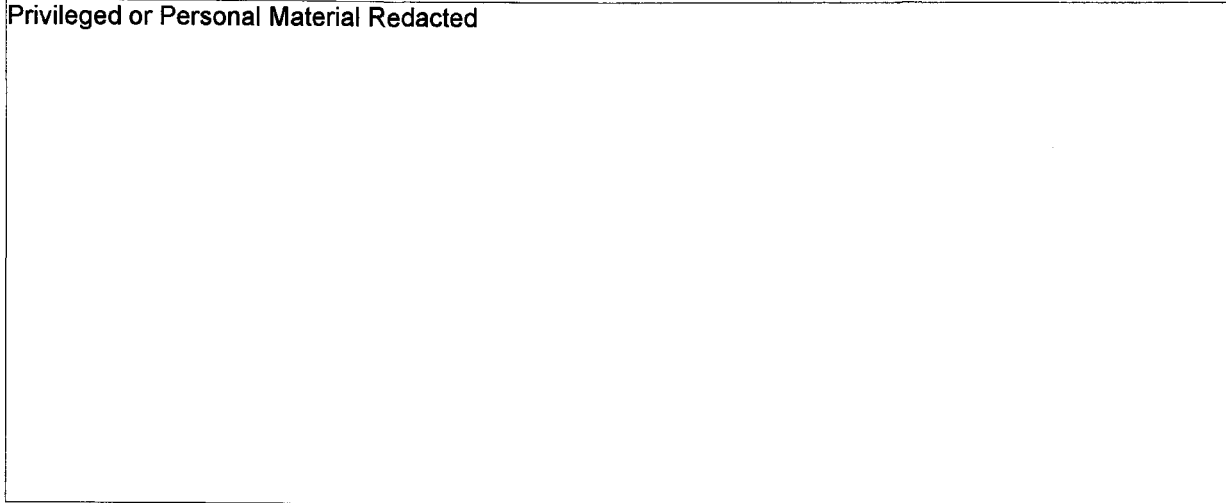
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Sent: Monday, July 07, 2008 11:06 AM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: FW: Juneau Email

Governor - just wanted you to see the appreciative email from Juneau. Janice

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
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Web mail from: Mr. Jim Burns
address: 4128 Dogwood Lane Juneau AK 99801
907-789-5285

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin, I enjoyed reading your article in the Juneau Empire and was really pleasantly surprised seeing you in the parade. I heard numerous comments from people on the street and both the article and seeing you in the State Capi

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Sent: Monday, July 07, 2008 4:18 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)

Subject: In-State Gas concept paper for Monday's Press Conference

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Date: Mon, 7 Jul 2008 23:33:30 +0000
To: Cora Crome<cora.crome@alaska.gov>; M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
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I'm fine w them doing this w the AGIA team instead of me then... and would you make sure they email me a summary of their discussion? Thanks

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CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Scheduling Request (Tues., Wed.,) 07.08-07.09.08

Governor – I apologize – I just got off the phone w/Exxon and Marty Massey will not be available due to traveling tomorrow (Tues.). So, the best day would be Wed., or Thurs., (before the 10:00 a.m. testimony). If you are not available then they would like to do the preview courtesy with Comm. Galvin or Comm. Irwin, or Marty. I let them know that you would be in travel status yourself to the National Governor's Association meeting. Thanks, Janice

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Sent: Monday, July 07, 2008 1:20 PM
To: soonerfans@gci.net
Subject: RE: Other

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Sent: Sunday, July 06, 2008 4:14 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Tonya Essary
address: 2260 Fritz Cove Rd. Juneau AK 99801

MESSAGE:

I just wanted to tell you it was a pleasure to see you and your two youngest in the July 4th parade. My children were touched when you saw us with our Oklahoma Sooner t-shirts and hats on and you gave a thumbs up and said go OU SOONERS! My ten year old wants to be a true Alaskan girl like you. We moved here from Oklahoma two and half years ago and would not move to the lower 48 for anything. We love Juneau, our state jobs and Alaska. Thank you for your time and GO SOONER BOOMERS!

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Web mail from: Ms. Harry J. McDonald
address: 7044 Kulchay Circle Eagle River AK 99577
9076963176

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

Upon reading the paper today, I noticed the photo of you and Trig and Piper, riding in the 4th of July Parade in Juneau. You were wearing a Mac Center baseball hat, and I was so proud and pleased to see that, as Harry McDonald was my husband. I support you as governor and am pleased with the job you are doing.

Sincerely,

Carole McDonald

mccarole59@hotmail.com

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Subject: RE: Homeland_Security

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Web mail from: Mr. Mathew Shurley
address: 8060 N. Glenn Frenso CA 93711
559-259-1750

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin:

I would like to praise you and let you know how supported you are in California. Although I am not a resident in your state of Alaska, I am extremely proud of your doings. You have transformed Alaska and even affected us in California.

You have extreme support here and have inspired many to reach for their dreams and not hide in the shadows. I urge you to continue with your great work with energy, oil, education, healthcare, ect. You are a great governor, I am hope that you will have great importance in this presidential election.

Mathew Shurley

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Web mail from: Ms. Marlene Buccione Miller
address: HC-52, Box 8755 Indian AK 99540
907-653-7507

MESSAGE:

Honorable, and fully respected, Gov. Palin,

I'm not sure if you were informed that Potter Marsh Grand Opening will be Saturday, July 26, 2008.

It would mean so much if you could attend this grand opening. There will be rehabilitated eagle release, signing of the Urban Treaty for Migratory Birds. Our new boardwalk is now over 1,000 ft with wildlife viewing decks and viewing blinds. ADF&G's Mobile Aquatic Classroom will even be there. Some of the sponsors, none of this is political, so your husband can even come; are Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Bird Treatment and Learning Center, MOA Parks and Recreation, Alaska Zoo, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Anchorage Audubon, Anchorage Waterways Council, and Ducks Unlimited also Audubon Alaska. Your schedule is so busy so I can understand, I'm just an old operating room nurse, now wildlife photographer, and I have a friend who is a FBI agent, Bob Busey, in Anchorage is you need credentials. Thank you so much,

Respectfully,

Marlene Buccione-Miller

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Subject: Re: Schedule for Today, Monday, 07.07.08

Pls send script again- by now it's lost in pile of emails

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Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Subject: Rep. Ramras

Steve Quinn just told me that Rep. Ramras is doing cartwheels he is so happy with today's announcement.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 8:49 AM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Yes, I will...

Call Bob today. ☺ That was great.

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Subject: Reimbursement for Airline Ticket

Governor -

I have checked into the reimbursement of airline ticket that was purchased for NGA. The state has no way of accepting credit card payments for travel reimbursement. You would need to write out a personal check to the State of Alaska. The amount is for \$724.25. The check can be sent to the JNU office as it needs to be given to Linda. Thank you, Janice

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:24 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Provost, Kathryn T (GOV)
Subject: RE: Transportation

Please let me know as this is a scheduling request why it went directly to Katie. I would be happy to answer this if it has not already been addressed. Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 2:47 PM
To: Provost, Kathryn T (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Transportation

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 9:03 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Transportation

Web mail from: Ms. Marina Jarvis
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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 5:18 PM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Bailey; Frank T (GOV); 'frank bailey'
Cc: 'krisandclark@yahoo.com'; Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: Reporter

Here we go.

From: Colleen Starring [mailto:Colleen.Starring@enstarnaturalgas.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 5:08 PM
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: RE: Reporter

Joe,

The clarification is being made as we speak.

Colleen

M. Colleen Starring
Regional Vice President
ENSTAR Natural Gas Company
(907) 334-7659 Direct
(907) 301-3179 Mobile

From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [mailto:joe.balash@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:58 PM
To: Colleen Starring
Subject: Reporter

Colleen,

The specific reporter I spoke with was Rena Delbridge at the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner. Her number is 459-7518. If at all possible, could a clarification be made with her?

Joe

8/26/2009

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:03 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: accident

Governor-

I just heard about the accident. I hope you are okay. I did get a call from Dennis Zaki with Alaskareport.com asking for details. I'm sure more media outlets will find out. May I share-

You were rear ended at Glenn and Bragaw intersection.
You are sore but suffered no major injuries
You were alone in the vehicle

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:06 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Environment

This is a strange one. I do not know if it warrants a response. If so - I would recommend sending to communications.

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 1:36 PM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Environment

Janice,

Not sure what to do with this, if it was out of state I would delete it, but it is not, can you help???

-----Original Message-----

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 2:55 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Weekly: Can America Solve Its Problems?

From: membership@uschamber.com [mailto:membership@uschamber.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 12:26 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Weekly: Can America Solve Its Problems?

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Tuesday, July 8, 2008

Can America Solve Its Problems?

By Tom Donohue, President and CEO



Undereath Americans' joy and hoopla while celebrating the Fourth of July was deep-seated doubt about America's ability to compete and win in a rapidly changing world.

Pick up any paper or watch any newscast and you're sure to see a commentator saying that America is in decline and is incapable of fixing its problems. *New York Times* columnist Thomas Friedman says forget Iraq and Afghanistan; we need nation building right here in America, and nothing else really matters. *Newsweek* commentator Fareed Zakaria captures American anxiety in his new book. He notes that the world's tallest building is in Taipei. Its largest publicly traded company is in Beijing. Its biggest refinery is being constructed in India, and so on.

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When a disaster hits, there's not a lot of time to move into action. To facilitate a speedy disaster recovery, a community must have on-the-ground expert analysis, clear goal-setting, and a well-defined division of labor, according to a new report issued by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Business Civic Leadership Center on July 1.

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We are having the wrong or, at best, an incomplete conversation about health care. And we are setting the wrong expectations for the American people.

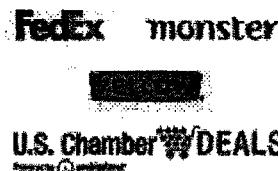
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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 7:52 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens/In-State Gas Pipeline

Yeah! Thanks

----- Original Message -----

From: John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 08 06:43:57 2008
Subject: Senator Stevens/In-State Gas Pipeline

You may have seen it already, but I wanted to make sure that you had a copy of Senator Stevens' statement (pasted below) in support of the In-State gas proposal you announced yesterday.

I think that the level of communication and coordination we are now seeing will be beneficial at both the State and federal levels as we pursue our respective energy initiatives.

Senator Stevens to Actively Support

Gov. Palin's In-State Gasline Proposal

Stands Ready to Help in Federal Administrative Process

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Senator Ted Stevens (R-Alaska) today offered praise for Governor Sarah Palin's in-state natural gas pipeline proposal and pledged his full backing of the project.

"The Governor's in-state gasline proposal has my full support. This is absolutely critical to our future economy. If Alaskans work together, we can expect delivery of this affordable energy source in what is really a very short timeframe," said Senator Stevens. "The concept of a public-private partnership will get this project from the drawing board to construction quickly and efficiently. I will write a letter to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Tuesday asking them to assess and speed up any permitting that may be required for construction of this pipeline."

The energy initiatives Senator Stevens announced last week included proposed legislation aimed at streamlining development and federal permitting of an in-state gasline. His energy initiatives will lay a broad foundation for addressing Alaska's and the nation's energy crisis through the combination of increased domestic production; development of renewable and alternative energy; conservation and energy efficiency; and protection from lawsuits and market manipulation.

"Governor Palin's plan for an in-state gas line is aligned with our common goal to help bring Alaskans the next generation of affordable and clean energy," said Senator Stevens.

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 11:50 PM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

So is that the green light to get this moving? I'd be happy to make the offer and arrangements while you are out of state.

By the way I have a meeting scheduled with Walt Friday afternoon. I will call you with the results of that meeting.

Mike

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tue 7/8/2008 10:52 PM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

Well, there you go. Sounds like a proponent of ushering in change via new blood in that DC position. Privilefits that bill.

From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 08 Jul 2008 16:07:07 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: FW: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

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Mike Tinker
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Cc: Jennifer Yuhas ; Virgil Umphenauer
Sent: Monday, July 07, 2008 4:37 PM
Subject: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

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Mike

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 11:29 PM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation
I agree 100%

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Mike

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [janice.mason@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 3:13 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Other

This is for an out of state request. Just send the standard one. Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 1:33 PM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

Does the Governor want to personalize one or should we send a standard one???

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 07, 2008 10:32 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Esther Wadley
address: 3000 Kville Dr Auburndale FL 33823
863-665-1916

MESSAGE:

Our Annual Fall Banquet is scheduled for Nov. 1, 2008. The event has grown considerably and we are now expecting over 300 community and business leaders, supporters and partners in attendance. This banquet is the annual fund-raising event for Anchor House boy's home, a non-profit organization that supports children in foster care.

We would greatly appreciate your consideration of a donation of an autographed picture for the silent and live auctions. We are collecting autographed pictures from all 50 State Governors.

Anchor House Ministries, a group home for troubled boys, has been in Auburndale for thirty-four years. Our graduates now serve our armed services, local government, business and industry, and many other vocations.

Your contribution will help us to continue the many educational, vocational and social development programs running at Anchor House. We thank you for your consideration.

Once again, we hope that you will join us in the cause to help the young men in Central Florida who have nowhere else to turn to for help. Together...we can make a real difference in many lives.

Sincerely yours,

Esther Wadley

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 2:32 PM
To: Wilken; Jessica M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Energy

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Sent: Monday, July 07, 2008 6:08 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Energy

Web mail from: Mr. Garrett Smith
address: P.O BOX 220392 Anch AK 99522
(907) 382 - 2779

MESSAGE:

Good afternoon Governor Palin,

If I could sit down with you and talk about a few things. Energy and a few of my ideas that would be great. Please email me or call I would only ask for 10 to 15 mins of your time. Thank you for taking the time.

yessmiths@yahoo.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 5:10 PM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Frank Bailey
Cc: K Perry Yahoo; Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: Thayer Comments

If lobbyists Curtis Thayer and/or Ashely Reed did ANYTHING to deceive us or the public- they will be sorry. I heard enough "questions" today to believe we may not have been told the whole truth about Enstar's plan to work cooperatively w/us and ANGDA. Not good. We need to get to the bottom of it.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 08 Jul 2008 16:41:31 -0800
To: <ftb907@yahoo.com>; ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: kris Perry<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Thayer Comments

I have called Scott, left a message and asked him to call. The message to him: Curtis is not the decision maker! There could be a lot of this, especially from the few talk shows and the naysayers against everything. We all need to rise above it and get a pipeline. He needs to control his messages and messengers. We will control ours. Don't rise to the bait. Some want us to fail. Alaskans want this to succeed. Scott has worked hard for this. We can and will sort out the issues as we advance the partnership.

From: frank bailey [mailto:ftb907@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:33 PM
To: ExternalEmailsp
Cc: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); kris Perry; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Thayer Comments

Governor,

Tom's calling Marty, who is going to call Heyworth.

I didn't hear Thayer's comments on KFQD but apparently they sent the ANGDA folks over the edge.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:14 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: accident

Yeah, it was no big deal, but I'm glad to have been in a big fat vehicle.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 08 Jul 2008 16:14:22 -0800
To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: accident

Believe it or not – he got a call from someone in Kodiak who knew about it – weird. Glad you are okay.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:10 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: accident

It was very minor- I call it a fender bender, don't know what the insurance company calls it... and I'm not sore, it wasn't that impacting even. I immediately went into the office after being rear-ended.

Crap- how'd Zaki hear about it?

And I think it was Glenn and MtView (?) the intersection by Northway Mall.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 08 Jul 2008 16:03:26 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: accident
Governor-

I just heard about the accident. I hope you are okay. I did get a call from Dennis Zaki with Alaskareport.com asking for details. I'm sure more media outlets will find out.
May I share-

You were rear ended at Glenn and Bragaw intersection.
You are sore but suffered no major injuries
You were alone in the vehicle

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From: frank bailey [ftb907@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:24 PM
To: Sarah Palin; kris Perry; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Hi There Frank

Lysa Maher saw the accident. Told Taufen, who told Zaki.

--- On Tue, 7/8/08, Lysa Maher <Privileged or Perso> wrote:

From: Lysa Maher <Privileged or Perso>
Subject: Hi There Frank
To: ftb907@yahoo.com
Date: Tuesday, July 8, 2008, 4:18 PM

Taufen flatters himself, when he refers to me as ' 1 of his spies'.. I told him about the lil quad fend bend, as a BTW sorta thing, cuz he was talki about W Loys blog , Any how , all my best to you, your family and your most awesome boss
Lysa

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 7:52 PM
To: Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Cc: K Perry Yahoo; Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: Thayer Comments

Curtis evidently participated in a couple of different venues the past couple of days - evidently his efforts were both overt and covert. If true, it will make working with Enstar pretty darn difficult and tough to answer the question: why aren't we just doing this ourselves? (As I've been asked a few times today.)

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 08 Jul 2008 19:39:45 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Bailey, Frank T (GOV)<frank.bailey@alaska.gov>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR)<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Thayer Comments

Governor,

I spoke with Colleen Starring (Enstars Regional Vice President) and she assured me that:

- 1) Enstar is committed to the South to North project and they have been in discussions with Doyon on this strategy for some time. This is consistent with what they have said to us; and
- 2) She was leaving that moment to go see Curtis Thayer to tell him to "keep his mouth shut". She promised me he will not be saying anything further. And she apologized for him. From the discussion with her I had the distinct impression that she was surprised and very irritated that he'd participated in a call-in show.

Marty

----- Original Message -----

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To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Cc: K Perry Yahoo <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 08 17:09:56 2008
Subject: Re: Thayer Comments

If lobbyists Curtis Thayer and/or Ashely Reed did ANYTHING to deceive us or the public- they will be sorry. I heard enough "questions" today to believe we may not have been told the whole truth about Enstar's plan to work cooperatively w/us and ANGDA. Not good. We need to get to the bottom of it.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 08 Jul 2008 16:41:31 -0800
To: <ftb907@yahoo.com>; ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: kris Perry<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>
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I have called Scott, left a message and asked him to call. The message to him: Curtis is not the decision maker! There could be a lot of this, especially from the few talk shows and the naysayers against everything. We all need to rise above it and get a pipeline. He needs to control his messages and messengers. We will control ours. Don't rise to the bait. Some want us to fail. Alaskans want this to succeed. Scott has worked hard for this. We can and will sort out the issues as we advance the partnership.

From: frank bailey [mailto:fb907@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 4:33 PM
To: ExternalEmailsp
Cc: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); kris Perry; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Thayer Comments

Governor,

Tom's calling Marty, who is going to call Heyworth.

I didn't hear Thayer's comments on KFQD but apparently they sent the ANGDA folks over the edge.

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From: PAUL KENDALL [pauldkendall@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 3:48 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); gov team
Cc: resources@akrdc.org
Subject: T. Boone Pickens.. An energy plan --On National T.V. -Harmonic Fuels
Date: 7-8-08 Tuesday

To: All Citizens

Ref: www.Pickens.plan.com

T. Boone Pickens a plan for Energy -- ENERGY - Harmonic Fuels

From: Paul D. Kendall "Will Free"

Ladies and Gentlemen,,,

Wow, I just saw T.Boone Pickens on a National T. V. add on CNN about Harmonic Fuels...3rd time now... this am...and he is announcing an ENERGY PLAN..

WOW! good ol America.

GOD, i love America and our Governor Palin(& team) and T Boone Pickens..

I think they get the message on energy. I think..!

It truly is inspirational to see that someone gets it..and as an old dog... Pickens gets it... wow....

Perhaps our Governors team can invite Mr. Pickens up to Alaska to help us merge our Oil and Gas Fossil Fuels which we need for Revenues from those people still addicted to

"the fossil distribution network system and associates" ---

with our need to develop hydro-electric and other harmonic fuels for our homes, loved ones and our freedoms.....

Finally, a leader of Mr. T. Boone Pickens emerges...BIG ALASKA, BIG DREAMS, BIG FUTURE, BIG ENERGIES, BIG WATER BASED TECHNOLOGIES of ELECTRICITY

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Where is our Live on Camera Public Energy Forum for our homeowners and families that we all deserve?

Where are our City Councils, Mayor running for another office, Chamber of commerce, Industrial Developers, School Districts cash whipped voting blocks, College Conoco Phillips building leaders of our perfect society., the Oil Companies, AEA openness in letting us follow in developing an energy plan, Our Bankers, Rasmussen Fund people, Pemanent Fund Managers, Electric Co-ops, Chugiach,

What the hell has happened to the leadership positions of our great state that makes most of them "hide out in back rooms" or "pretend your not there" or "pretend your not their kind" or "pretend its your problem" or "whats your problem"

or "pretend you dont seem to get it" or "pretend you should feel fourtunate to get 3 minuets to talk"

Where the hell is the newspapers and radio stations that should be publicly calling for an energy meeting for our homes and transportation?

How is it that one man has to go world wide to get the message...an oil guy!

WHAT THE HELL HAS HAPPENED TO OUR LOCAL LEADERSHIPS IN OUR INSTITUTIONS AND GOVERNMENTS AND FINANCIAL planners.....AND BECAUSE WE THE PEOPLE MAKE UP ALL OF THESE ENTITIES

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you,we. us, the things we love, spouses, children, parents, will never be free unless and until we secure our "Life Essential Energy Needs" needs!

All electric homes.

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New Technologies

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Water based technologies

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We cannot get to a new and better society until we secure and develop "true and actual cost impact" energies

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www.pickensplan.com go there .. it dont get much simpler.. read the comments..

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From: Tinker [mailto:tinker@mosquionet.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 11:12 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

Mr. N. I am forwarding an email to Denby (which he requested) on my (our) thoughts about replacing the Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife at F&G. Although there are a huge number of Alaskans who realize that the Governor has not made any progress on her "managing for abundance" direction, there is an opportunity here to take small steps in that direction. I think the earlier confrontational attitudes are set aside for now and most of us would really like to see her and the Department move in the right direction.

Hope the Special Session goes well for the Acting Chief of Staff, I'm headed for Gakona to catch a few more sockeye in the fishwheel.

Mike Tinker

— Original Message —

From: Tinker
To: Lloyd, Denby S (DFG)
Cc: Jennifer Yuhás ; Virgil Umphenauer
Sent: Monday, July 07, 2008 4:37 PM
Subject: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

Commissioner, Thanks for including us (me) in your search for a new DC. You are aware I was not a KTaylor fan when you selected him but you did use him to best effect and mostly kept him out of the chain of command for Wildlife issues. His replacement can be an opportunity to take a few steps for the management of wildlife adding emphasis on actions that result in desired changes to the various wildlife populations. Jennifer Yuhás, who confided your conversation with her, and a few locals met me for lunch and we discussed what we could say to help you.

In the early Knowles administration, I had several discussions with the then Commissioner Rue and Wildlife Director Smith about why it was that we had established "minimum conditions" for fish resources (like minimum escapement) but even with the emphasis added by the Legislature with the intensive management statute revisions, we couldn't seem to get behind the "minimum conditions" (like population objectives set by the Board of Game) for wildlife. I suspect commercial fishing interests with the attendant political pressures had a lot to do with keeping the feet to the fire for fish. There is no parallel on the wildlife side and I certainly can't compare Alaska's professional hunting organizations with the interest or clout of commercial fishermen. I and many other Alaskans and the Legislators expected the IM changes would result in "emphasis added".

The lack of enthusiasm in the Department for "managing" to the population objective minimums needs some emphasis and we are hoping a new Deputy Commissioner can work in that direction as well as continue the Federal coordination interface and the more detailed but cumbersome issues like endangered species coordination.

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Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 11:01 AM
To: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter

Pls do w that letter of clarification. The company that published the magazine hasnt done it so pls do it and hacew a commission member sign it thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 09:32:20 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Letter

Governor, I am in Ketchikan right now, but am available to help.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jul 09 09:20:32 2008
Subject: Fw: Letter

Clarifications still needed on statehood book (or magazine):
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2008 17:17:33
To: K Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Cc: Tara Fradley <tara.fradley@alaska.gov>
Subject: Letter

Kris pls have tara contact the adn letter writer today to explain we did not let the Florida contract on the book (magazine more like it)... And one more person needs to write a letter to finally explain, in one sentence, that it was gail phillips-not you- under murkowski, who contracted Outside for publishing. Colleen or someone, pls have them do it today. Thanks

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]

Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 8:59 AM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Speaker Pelosi

Speaker Pelosi's office called. The Speaker would like to call you today; likely in regards to the letter you sent her. They do not have a specific time and asked if there was a good number to reach you at over the next few hours. Would you like me to give them your cell phone? Or would you prefer they call here and we transfer the call to you?

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]

Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 1:02 PM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Senator Stevens

Senator Stevens apparently heard of the fender bender and inquired with John Katz and expressed concern on your well being. John asked that I relay that to you.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 10:49 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Speaker Pelosi

I gave it to them.

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 10:47 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Speaker Pelosi

My state cell

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 10:16:33 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: FW: Speaker Pelosi
Just rec'd an "undeliverable after 1 hour" message on msg below, so am sending to this email.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 10:33 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: WICHE Policy Alert - July 8, 2008

From: Public Policy & Research [mailto:policy@wiche.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 2:46 PM
To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: WICHE Policy Alert - July 8, 2008

WICHE Policy Alerts - July 8, 2008

"Lost in Transition: Building a Better Path from School to College and Careers" (http://http://www.sreb.org/publications/2008/08V01_LostInTransition.pdf) is a report by the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) that summarizes the conclusions of 15 state education forums, identifies key barriers and policy issues, and recommends a number of key actions for states to take to improve student transitions from high school to postsecondary studies and careers. Increasing collaboration among school districts and postsecondary education is identified as a key strategy to implement new ways of learning that blend academic and technical studies and create rich opportunities to provide integrated learning experiences.

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) strives to maintain excellent communication with the education policy and research communities. To subscribe or unsubscribe to the Policy Alerts and/or Stat Alerts distribution lists, please email your name, title, and organization to Cheryl Graves at cgraves@wiche.edu. These electronic distribution lists are used only to support WICHE-sponsored programs and to share resources about relevant issues in higher education policy and research. As an additional resource, WICHE maintains a Policy Publication Clearinghouse on the web at <http://wiche.edu/policy/Clearinghouse>, which includes past Policy Alerts and Stat Alerts, as well as other studies, reports, surveys, and policy briefs.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 9:15 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Funding, logistics slow cheers for in-state gas line

Marty- how can Thayer claim there "just isn't the gas in CI" in this article... the messages out there the last two days are so contradictory and confusing to people. Truly, I've had more comments about us being way out there and this idea not sounding too well-thought out these past two days... and some of the confused are our biggest supporters. Today will be important to help clarify via the airwaves. Halcro's going to be a stinker too. For everyone's sake, including all public, we need to spend the time on the air today to clarify any misconceptions people have, and to counter our "partner (?)" Curtis Thayer and the things he's dropped out there the past few days.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 08:27:40 -0800
To: Scott R Heyworth<heyworth@gci.net>
Subject: Funding, logistics slow cheers for in-state gas line

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Funding, logistics slow cheers for in-state gas line

By [Rena Delbridge](#)

Published Wednesday, July 9, 2008

NewsMiner

FAIRBANKS Gov. Sarah Palins proposed in-state gas line, unveiled Monday with some fanfare, faces uncertain prospects with its funding and gas supply, according to some of those involved in the project.

Palin announced a public-private partnership between the state, Enstar Natural Gas Co. and the Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority to build a small-diameter bullet line within the next five years. The plan is to link Anchorage, Fairbanks and the North Slope in a way that will ease Fairbanks home heating oil woes soon while opening a route for North Slope gas to reach Anchorage markets in the long-term.

The smaller line eventually could serve as the in-state spur of a major pipeline, such as the one proposed by TransCanada or the joint proposal by BP and ConocoPhillips.

Officials with the state, Enstar and ANGDA agree the line would put infrastructure in place to allow Alaskans to access their resources, but each party envisions that happening in a somewhat different

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way. The state is hoping to send a signal to explorers that the market demands more gas, thereby spurring new exploration and assuring a steady energy supply for Southcentral, said Joe Balash, special assistant to the governor on oil and gas issues.

Enstar is looking to a line that could feed Anchorage markets with North Slope gas as Cook Inlet contracts become shorter and more difficult to arrange, said Curtis Thayer, director of corporate and external affairs for the utility.

And the voter-created ANGDA, which can access funding outside of the state treasury, said the bullet line keeps Alaskas options open into the future, with the potential for boosting propane and liquefied natural gas markets as well, said Harold Heinze, CEO.

How a spur line plays out could hinge on supply. Enstar and ANGDA seem less confident than the state that Cook Inlet can continue supplying gas to meet needs, citing some lapses already at peak winter use in Anchorage.

We have been unsuccessful in negotiating contracts over five years due to the deliverability of gas in the Cook Inlet, Thayer said. Because of that, he added, Enstar has had to look elsewhere for gas sources. The Anchorage-area utility serves about half of Alaskas population with 3,000 miles of distribution lines in Southcentral.

Do we want to roll the dice, or do we want to spend the money and build a line to the (North Slope) foothills? Thayer asked. We know there is gas on the North Slope. The thing is, we dont have the gas in Cook Inlet. The gas does not exist in Cook Inlet.

Fairbanks Natural Gas President Dan Britton said he, too, has questions about Palins proposal to deliver Cook Inlet natural gas to Fairbanks.

We are doing that today but struggle to get contracts for Cook Inlet gas, he said. Its hard for me to understand what the justification might be for a multi-billion investment when youre unable to secure a longer gas supply.

One possible supply could come from Anadarkos development of the Gubik field in the North Slope foothills, Thayer said. FNG also is turning to the North Slope, with plans to build a liquid natural gas facility in the next few years and truck the product to Fairbanks markets.

Whether Palins bullet line stops at Fairbanks or reaches the North Slope depends on whether Cook Inlet gas can supply the line and whether exploration underway in the Nenana and Copper River basins turns into development, according to an administration press release.

Heinze, of ANGDA, said a bullet line might bridge the gap for Fairbanks until a large line links the North Slope with Canada and the Lower 48. He said the general view is that Cook Inlet has lots of potential but that he and Enstar are somewhat more skeptical.

Enstar officials estimated Cook Inlet supplies could run out by 2014, he said.

There is no doubt there are some real problems, Heinze said. On the other hand, the administration is very confident, and they are the landowner.

The governors office said it believes Cook Inlet has strong resources.

What were trying to do here is create access to markets for gas that we believe is in Cook Inlet, our geologists believe is in Cook Inlet. Its creating the opportunity for that gas to make it into the market and get sold, Balash said.

Balash acknowledged that the proven reserves in Southcentral are falling into the nine- to 10-year range, but

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he said a changing supply-demand ration may drive new exploration.

The Richardson Route was previously considered by ANGDA, and offers a known path and access to potential military and industrial clients, while avoiding permitting problems that could crop up near a national park, Heinze said. Exact routing is one of the things the team will have to discuss.

Progress of any kind probably wont be made until after the legislative special session on TransCanadas pipeline proposal under the Alaska Gasline Inducement Act wraps up this summer.

Balash expected the group to then iron out a timeline, evaluate financing options and decide how each party can contribute.

We have a pretty healthy treasury and the ability to do some things, the luxury to do some things now, he said. At the end of the day its likely that well be asking the Legislature for some form of financial support or commitment or guarantees something that helps bring surety to the project.

In Fairbanks, Britton said that once a larger supply of gas reaches the city, either through the bullet line or trucked in as LNG, an expansion could be in order to the 50-plus miles of distribution line already in place.

The timing of expansion would depend on peoples interest level and the economics of the expansion, Britton said. Conditions, roads and populations all figure into the cost equation, he said, although on average new distribution may run \$200,000 per mile.

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Marty- how can Thayer claim there "just isn't the gas in CI" in this article... the messages out there the last two days are so contradictory and confusing to people. Truly, I've had more comments about us being way out there and this idea not sounding too well-thought out these past two days... and some of the confused are our biggest supporters. Today will be important to help clarify via the airwaves. Halcro's going to be a stinker too. For everyone's sake, including all public, we need to spend the time on the air today to clarify any misconceptions people have, and to counter our "partner (?)" Curtis Thayer and the things he's dropped out there the past few days.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 08:27:40 -0800
To: Scott R Heyworth<heyworth@gci.net>
Subject: Funding, logistics slow cheers for in-state gas line

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Funding, logistics slow cheers for in-state gas line

By [Rena Delbridge](#)

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FAIRBANKS Gov. Sarah Palins proposed in-state gas line, unveiled Monday with some fanfare, faces uncertain prospects with its funding and gas supply, according to some of those involved in the project.

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Palin announced a public-private partnership between the state, Enstar Natural Gas Co. and the Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority to build a small-diameter bullet line within the next five years. The plan is to link Anchorage, Fairbanks and the North Slope in a way that will ease Fairbanks home heating oil woes soon while opening a route for North Slope gas to reach Anchorage markets in the long-term.

The smaller line eventually could serve as the in-state spur of a major pipeline, such as the one proposed by TransCanada or the joint proposal by BP and ConocoPhillips.

Officials with the state, Enstar and ANGDA agree the line would put infrastructure in place to allow Alaskans to access their resources, but each party envisions that happening in a somewhat different way. The state is hoping to send a signal to explorers that the market demands more gas, thereby spurring new exploration and assuring a steady energy supply for Southcentral, said Joe Balash, special assistant to the governor on oil and gas issues.

Enstar is looking to a line that could feed Anchorage markets with North Slope gas as Cook Inlet contracts become shorter and more difficult to arrange, said Curtis Thayer, director of corporate and external affairs for the utility.

And the voter-created ANGDA, which can access funding outside of the state treasury, said the bullet line keeps Alaskas options open into the future, with the potential for boosting propane and liquefied natural gas markets as well, said Harold Heinze, CEO.

How a spur line plays out could hinge on supply. Enstar and ANGDA seem less confident than the state that Cook Inlet can continue supplying gas to meet needs, citing some lapses already at peak winter use in Anchorage.

We have been unsuccessful in negotiating contracts over five years due to the deliverability of gas in the Cook Inlet, Thayer said. Because of that, he added, Enstar has had to look elsewhere for gas sources. The Anchorage-area utility serves about half of Alaskas population with 3,000 miles of distribution lines in Southcentral.

Do we want to roll the dice, or do we want to spend the money and build a line to the (North Slope) foothills? Thayer asked. We know there is gas on the North Slope. The thing is, we dont have the gas in Cook Inlet. The gas does not exist in Cook Inlet.

Fairbanks Natural Gas President Dan Britton said he, too, has questions about Palins proposal to deliver Cook Inlet natural gas to Fairbanks.

We are doing that today but struggle to get contracts for Cook Inlet gas, he said. Its hard for me to understand what the justification might be for a multi-billion investment when youre unable to secure a longer gas supply.

One possible supply could come from Anadarkos development of the Gubik field in the North Slope foothills, Thayer said. FNG also is turning to the North Slope, with plans to build a liquid natural gas facility in the next few years and truck the product to Fairbanks markets.

Whether Palins bullet line stops at Fairbanks or reaches the North Slope depends on whether Cook Inlet gas can supply the line and whether exploration underway in the Nenana and Copper River basins turns into development, according to an administration press release.

Heinze, of ANGDA, said a bullet line might bridge the gap for Fairbanks until a large line links the North Slope with Canada and the Lower 48. He said the general view is that Cook Inlet has lots of potential but that he and Enstar are somewhat more skeptical.

Enstar officials estimated Cook Inlet supplies could run out by 2014, he said.

There is no doubt there are some real problems, Heinze said. On the other hand, the administration is very

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confident, and they are the landowner.

The governors office said it believes Cook Inlet has strong resources.

What were trying to do here is create access to markets for gas that we believe is in Cook Inlet, our geologists believe is in Cook Inlet. Its creating the opportunity for that gas to make it into the market and get sold. Balash said.

Balash acknowledged that the proven reserves in Southcentral are falling into the nine- to 10-year range, but he said a changing supply-demand ration may drive new exploration.

The Richardson Route was previously considered by ANGDA, and offers a known path and access to potential military and industrial clients, while avoiding permitting problems that could crop up near a national park, Heinze said. Exact routing is one of the things the team will have to discuss.

Progress of any kind probably wont be made until after the legislative special session on TransCanadas pipeline proposal under the Alaska Gasline Inducement Act wraps up this summer.

Balash expected the group to then iron out a timeline, evaluate financing options and decide how each party can contribute.

We have a pretty healthy treasury and the ability to do some things, the luxury to do some things now, he said. At the end of the day its likely that well be asking the Legislature for some form of financial support or commitment or guarantees something that helps bring surety to the project.

In Fairbanks, Britton said that once a larger supply of gas reaches the city, either through the bullet line or trucked in as LNG, an expansion could be in order to the 50-plus miles of distribution line already in place.

The timing of expansion would depend on peoples interest level and the economics of the expansion, Britton said. Conditions, roads and populations all figure into the cost equation, he said, although on average new distribution may run \$200,000 per mile.

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 4:41 PM
To: Ivy personal; Frank Bailey; K Perry Yahoo; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Cc: Todd
Subject: Re: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!

Guys, I may be pretty wimpy about this family stuff, but I feel like I'm at the breaking point with the hurtful gossip about my family that Sherry and others get away with. Bear with me. I hate this part of the job and many days I feel like it's not worth it when they have to put up with the hate that spews from people like Sherry, and there are others.

From: Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2008 17:24:37 -0700 (PDT)
To: Sarah Palin <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fw: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!

Below is the email Don sent to ADN. It's not much, but we were trying to bring there attention to this ongoing and very frustrating situation. Her comments are downright libelous. You're right-she's a crazy hater.

-- On Tue, 7/8/08, Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com> wrote:

From: Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Subject: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!
To: "Donny Benson" <asudad@mtaonline.net>, "Donny Benson" <dab@nhtiusa.com>
Date: Tuesday, July 8, 2008, 9:24 PM

Hey,

Cut the body of this email and paste into a new email and send to content@adn.com.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I'm writing to bring your attention to the increasingly inappropriate comments posted by the blogger syrin. Every day she posts comments that have absolutely no bearing on policy. For example, today the ADN posted a positive story on the national press Governor Palin is receiving, yet syrin accuses the governor of having an affair or makes hateful comments about her young children. I don't often feel compelled to write, but syrin's comments are never on topic, nor are they civil as is stated in the terms of use.

Thank you for your time.

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To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
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For Sharon, so she has a heads up:

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To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Phone Call from ADN Reporter Kyle Hopkins re travel for governor'sfamily
The \$725 check will be in the mail today for lauden's ticket. Who do I make it to, what is the address?

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2008 23:35:33 +0000
To: Talis Colberg<talis.colberg@alaska.gov>; M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
CC: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Janice Mason<janice.mason@alaska.gov>
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Subject: Re: Phone Call from ADN Reporter Kyle Hopkins re travel for governor'sfamily
Did they fully cover this trip? Pls let sharon, talis, nizich, others know so adn doesn't report otherwise.

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Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 2:15 PM
To: hgrubis@northstar.k12.ak.us
Subject: RE: Education

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 1:18 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Education

Web mail from: Mr. Hannibal Grubis
address: PO Box 83653 Fairbanks AK 99708
807-455-8405

MESSAGE:

I am a high school teacher in Fairbanks, Alaska. I teach math (everything from geometry to calculus), am a cross-country running coach, and the father of a 3.5 year old and a six month old.

I was the Academic Decathlon (ACADECA) coach at West Valley for many years (counting my bride's time coaching and mine it has been 10 years). We have been very successful, winning the state championship 3 of the last four years. We are having a "good bye picnic with students from the last 10 years at the end of July".

I'm writing because ACADECA is an ideal way to motivate rural students for excellence. Unfortunately, with budget cuts, fewer rural schools are participating in the state competition which is sponsored by G.C.I.

Please consider allocating state monies for rural schools for materials and flights to the state competition.

If you would like to hear more about this opportunity for educational excellence, please e-mail me back.

Thank you,

Hannibal Grubis

P.S. You are doing an awesome job. Even though I often vote democratic, I have your back and I will vote for your re-election.

hgrubis@northstar.k12.ak.us

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Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 2:09 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: Airport

At arrival, 7pm, go to the upper ramp (departures) to United. You'll be greeted there by airport personnel (and me) to take luggage.

From there go back around to airport again to the bottom ramp/baggage claim area to United. Airport security will meet you there and escort you all thru security. They'll park car.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 2:27 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter

Thank u

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 14:16:05 -0800
To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Letter

Governor-

Chris Constant is looking at the draft we sent him. He said he would be happy to sign his name to a letter.

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Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 2:11 PM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter

I wouldn't wait for faircount. Let's just submit and tell truthfully this was NOT done on our watch.

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 11:07:28 -0800
To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Letter

I just spoke to Chris Constant. He is a member, and was at the time the contract was executed. He should sign. I'll give info to Sharon.

I'm still going to work on Faircount. They are not very responsive – which is not anything new.

Colleen is taking care of contacting the letter writer and may have already done so.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 11:01 AM
To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
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Pls do w that letter of clarification. The company that published the magazine hasnt done it so pls do it and hacew a commission member sign it thanks

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Governor, I am in Ketchikan right now, but am available to help.

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Kris pls have tara contact the adn letter writer today to explain we did not let the Florida contract on the book (magazine more like it)... And one more person needs to write a letter to finally explain, in one sentence, that it was gail phillips-not you- under murkowski, who contracted Outside for publishing. Colleen or someone, pls have them do it today. Thanks
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Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 2:50 PM
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Cc: Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: FW: Emailing: Think About It Radio Kenai radiokenai.com KSRM,KWHQ, KKIS, KSLD

"Conspicuously absent" were fairbanks gas and GVEA, is another rumor. Also, that Enstar was never on board with the Richardson route and we sprang that on them that day. And that Harold and Enstar hate each other... I'm hearing other speculation also I'll pass on as people are dumping it my way and you all need to hear the noise too. Lots of speculation, negative rumors.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 14:28:55 -0800
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
CC: <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: FW: Emailing: Think About It Radio Kenai radiokenai.com KSRM, KWHQ, KKIS, KSLD

I agree with Joe's numbers. Actually reconfirmed with DGGS and Oil and Gas this morning.

Kris, please let Sharon know she can schedule me for 9 tomorrow with Kenai. Also want to get with Eddie and ? Set up the schedule and I will adjust in Juneau. I want to get the correct word out Just get me the time and phone number to call in. Thanks. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
To: ExternalEmailgsp; Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jul 09 14:19:37 2008
Subject: RE: FW: Emailing: Think About It Radio Kenai radiokenai.com KSRM, KWHQ, KKIS, KSLD

Geologically, there are 1.4 trillion cubic feet of gas available in Cook Inlet. That is a 9-10 year supply if the LNG export at Kenai continues (its current export license is set to expire in 2011). Without another extension of the LNG export license, those reserves would last an additional six years or so.

Undiscovered resources in Cook Inlet have been estimated by the geologists at the USGS (feds) and DGGS (state). The USGS is very optimistic--in excess of 10 trillion cubic feet. The DGGS and Division of Oil and Gas are much more conservative--closer to 5 or 6 trillion cubic feet. If it's the lower figure, then 5 trillion cubic feet would be more than 50 years' supply.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [<mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 2:10 PM
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: FW: Emailing: Think About It Radio Kenai radiokenai.com KSRM, KWHQ, KKIS, KSLD

Arghhhh... more confusion in the commentary below:
(And what is our answer re: how much gas is in CI after hearing for years there is such a shortage? I know about the

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limited market- what about geologically?)
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-----Original Message-----

From: frank bailey <fb907@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2008 14:23:07

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Ivy personal<ivyfrye@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: FW: Emailing: Think About It Radio Kenai radiokenai.com KSRM, KWHQ, KKIS, KSLD

Its text and I'll copy below. From KSRM's "Think About It" Editorial column. I launched to the Energy team and copied in Kelly, Nizich, Sharon.

THINK
ABOUT IT

other recent comment>

I hate to
tell you but there are a few of us who are really confused.

We really need someone to step up and help us
understand what is really going on right now in our state.

When we first heard Governor Sarah Palin
announce that she wants and will heartily support a natural gas pipeline
from the Kenai Peninsula to Fairbanks....we thought she must have
accidentally got the announcement backwards and that she really meant
support for the bullet line to bring natural gas to the Kenai from the

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North Slope.

Then we

realized that her announcement was not backwards and she really wants to bring natural gas from the Kenai to Fairbanks...not only that, but the idea has been blessed by Borough Mayor John Williams and many other people who are supposed to have their heads screwed on straight.

And that is the

reason for our confusion.

You mean to

tell me that someone is hiding natural gas in a big underground pocket under Cook Inlet or somewhere in our

Borough? I hope so.

Didn't the

State government and the Feds just approve a ten year contract with Conoco Phillips to send what little natural gas we have left in

Cook Inlet to a foreign country?

Didn't one of

the biggest employers, Agrium, just shut down and send over three hundred people packing because there is not enough natural gas to operate their big fertilizer plant?

Isn't one of

the biggest worries of government officials the possibility of not having enough natural gas available in South Central Alaska to heat our homes and businesses during the cold winter months?

Why then would

anyone want to take the natural gas that we do not have on the Kenai Peninsula and ship it north through the rail belt to Fairbanks?

Why wouldn't

our state government organize and get behind an effort to bring natural gas south from the North Slope where we have virtually unlimited amounts ready to go to market?

Why would we

even be thinking about sending North Slope natural gas through a pipeline through Canada to the

lower 48 markets without demanding that, first of all, it be shipped to Fairbanks, Anchorage

and the Kenai?

What is going

on? I hope someone knows, but to us, that certainly does not appear to be the case. No wonder some of us are really confused.

Think About It!

JCD 7/9/08

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 10:17 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: Nga

Just in case not rec'd on other email acct.

-----Original Message-----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 10:10 AM
To: ExternalEmailgsp
Subject: RE: Nga

There are no dinners, only receptions. Weather is forecasted to be high 80's. Event days: 4 (Friday evening to Monday morning).

First event is Fri evening w/a welcome and opening reception and then an outside reception (taste of Philadelphia).

On Saturday, there is the opening news conf, and centennial sessions throughout the day about leadership and innovation. (Bill Clinton will be the keynote at one of them) and then receptions and walking tour that eve.

Sunday, Plenary sessions and committee sessions throughout the day. Another "mix & mingle" reception that eve.

Monday is the final morning plenary session along w/RGA Gov's only mtg and a luncheon.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 9:49 AM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Nga

Haven't seen the agenda of events/mtgs so am guessing what to pack- how many actual days

of mtgs are there?

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 11:58 AM
To: Selma Kopanuk
Subject: RE: City of Scammon Bay water intake

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: Selma Kopanuk [mailto:cityofscmbay@gci.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 11:04 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: City of Scammon Bay water intake

I am James Akere

Unknown

From: Brent Western [bmwfish@ak.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 11:46 AM
To: Crome; Cora J (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV)
Cc: Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Palin; Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: Cook Inlet Salmon Management

Cora,

I find it very disheartening that the state has subverted the BOF process by creating new regulation for Upper Cook Inlet salmon. I'm referring to the restriction placed on the drift fleet by Commissioner Lloyd for tomorrow 7/10/08. This new regulation was created after the BOF hearings and stated in the Department's (ADF&G) pre-season management plan announced months ago. There was no new information that was available to make this decision and it flies in the face of the BOF process. If this had been decided as a necessary step in-season, then I would agree. However, the in-season data seems to support the opposite of a closure, but a standard full opener for the drift fleet. Here are just a couple of new information data sets:

1. The OTF (offshore test fishing) indexes are 2 times the average (1988-2007) 602 (2008) vs 292 avg. (1988-2007).
2. The drift catch is the 6th highest since 1980 with fewer boats fishing.

All this seems to point out to a fairly large run of sockeye to UCI and indicates more abundant sockeye for all systems. The department and we also supported a simplification of the UCI salmon plans to allow for flexible and in-season management--which all our users and areas across this state rely on given the variables of salmon returns. We are perplexed to why the department has done this and many of us have tried to get a response to why this has occurred, but no real response from the Commissioner has been received.

The state of Alaska has had sound fisheries management based on the best available data. It seems we are going backwards here in UCI. Except for actula weir counts, the use of the Didson sonar shows the most accurate counts and at the BOF hearings this winter the department stated that it would be using the Didson. However now the department is using the Bendix sonar. The department is placing restrictions on users prior to to in-season information would warrant any such restriction. If we are not going to use the local area manager, the best science available, and other sound management practices--why not just fire 90% of ADF&G staff and let some one from Juneau decide when and what occurs in our fisheries. It seems that's already happening--so why not save the state some money on staff and let our fisheries follow the fatal course of the lower-48 and other world fisheries destroyed by not using the best management and science available.

Anyway, you can sense my frustration with not using the best in-season management and best science (i.e. best sonar, etc...) My hope is that Alaska will manage it's fisheries wisely and keep politics (i.e. salmon task force, ...) out of it. Unfortunately that will never happen, but as an optimist--I still have faint hope.

Respectfully,

Brent M. Western

2500 Autumn Drive

Anchorage, AK 99516

907-440-4601

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 10:44 AM
To: 'hilary_currey@arwa.org'
Subject: RE: Public_Safety

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2008 5:08 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Public_Safety

Web mail from: Ms. Hilary Currey
address: 1075 Check Street STE 106 Wasilla AK 99654
907-357-1155

MESSAGE:

I would like to invite Governor Palin to speak at our 10th Annual Water Professionals Conference in November. The event is held to educate water and wastewater operators and administrative staff to ensure the Public Health throughout rural Alaska. Many of these professionals obtain a large portion of their Continuing Education Units (CEU's) that are required for licensing every year at this conference. It would be our honor if during this event Ms. Palin would speak on behalf of the State of Alaska and Public Health issues. The conference is November 3-6, 2008. Please let me know at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Regards,

Hilary J Currey

Executive Director

Alaska Rural Water Association

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hilary_currey@arwa.org

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From: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RHUGHES]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 9:32 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter

Governor, I am in Ketchikan right now, but am available to help.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jul 09 09:20:32 2008
Subject: Fw: Letter

Clarificications still needed on statehood book (or magazine):

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2008 17:17:33
To: K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Cc: Tara Fradley<tara.fradley@alaska.gov>
Subject: Letter

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 1:03 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter

Thanks! Hope that company follows through. The letter should name names - Gail contracted with them, you didn't.

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 12:34:57 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Letter

Just an FYI, I spoke w/Faircount. They will do whatever necessary to convey the correct story and correct the misinformation. I've shared this info w/Sharon. Also, a piece is being prepared for a commission member.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 11:01 AM
To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter

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To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter

I wouldn't wait for faircount. Let's just submit and tell truthfully this was NOT done on our watch.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 11:07:28 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Letter

I just spoke to Chris Constant. He is a member, and was at the time the contract was executed. He should sign. I'll give info to Sharon.

I'm still going to work on Faircount. They are not very responsive – which is not anything new.

Colleen is taking care of contacting the letter writer and may have already done so.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 9:29 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Fradley, Tara D (GOV)
Subject: Re: Letter

Ok. Rather than another from this office I'm trying to get Faircount. If they don't asap (today), we will.

----- Original Message -----

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 12:16 PM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

I am still looking for his resume. I need to search the files down in B&C's for it. I do not have a copy in my files. [Privileged or Personal Material Redacted]

As for Walt I had another thought, [Privileged or Personal Material Redacted]
[Privileged or Personal Material Redacted]

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 8:24 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

[Privileged or Personal Material Redacted] Did u find out more on his resume, education background?

And about Walt- [Privileged or Personal Material Redacted]

[Privileged or Personal Material Redacted]

From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 08 Jul 2008 23:50:04 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation
So is that the green light to get this moving? I'd be happy to make the offer and arrangements while you are out of state.

By the way I have a meeting scheduled with Walt Friday afternoon. I will call you with the results of that meeting.

Mike

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tue 7/8/2008 10:52 PM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation

Well, there you go. Sounds like a proponent of ushering in change via new blood in that DC position. [Privileged] fits that bill.

From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 08 Jul 2008 16:07:07 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: FW: Deputy Commissioner for Wildlife Conservation
Here is an email I just received. I think it hits home along the lines of what we have discussed about the needed change in F&G.

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 5:35 PM
To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!

This is Bristol my moms driving, we say thank you so much and mom and I were just praying about the hurt and anger that comes with her job. Thank you for your faith in God. We share it and we love you!

Bristol

From: "Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2008 17:00:22 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!

Governor, do you know how loved you are? These four or five bitter people are so NOT representative. You are so, so loved. The enemy is trying to discourage you. Hang I there! You are doing such an awesome job. You are an amazing lady and the Lord is your defender. He knows the truth and He is going to vindicate you. It hurts my heart to hear these horrible people are bringing you down. We forgive them, Lord. Help theses people come to know You.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
To: Ivy personal <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; Frank Bailey <fb907@yahoo.com>; K Perry Yahoo <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)
Cc: Todd <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wed Jul 09 16:40:39 2008
Subject: Re: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!

Guys, I may be pretty wimpy about this family stuff, but I feel like I'm at the breaking point with the hurtful gossip about my family that Sherry and others get away with. Bear with me. I hate this part of the job and many days I feel like it's not worth it when they have to put up with the hate that spews from people like Sherry, and there are others.

From: Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2008 17:24:37 -0700 (PDT)
To: Sarah Palin <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fw: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!

Below is the email Don sent to ADN. It's not much, but we were trying to bring there attention to this ongoing and very frustrating situation. Her comments are downright libelous. You're right-she's a crazy hater.

-- On Tue, 7/8/08, Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com> wrote:

From: Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Subject: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!
To: "Donny Benson" <asadud@mtaonline.net>, "Donny Benson" <dab@nhtiusa.com>
Date: Tuesday, July 8, 2008, 9:24 PM

Hey,

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Re: please send this email to adn and bcc me on it--thanks!!

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Cut the body of this email and paste into a new email and send to content@adn.com.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I'm writing to bring your attention to the increasingly inappropriate comments posted by the blogger syrin. Every day she posts comments that have absolutely no bearing on policy. For example, today the ADN posted a positive story on the national press Governor Palin is receiving, yet syrin accuses the governor of having an affair or makes hateful comments about her young children. I don't often feel compelled to write, but syrin's comments are never on topic, nor are they civil as is stated in the terms of use.

Thank you for your time.

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From: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RHUGHES]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 4:53 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Blog

That's terrible, Governor. As if they haven't stooped low enough on those blogs. I'm sorry for the distress this has caused. Sharon and I will discuss this and see how to best deal with this blog situation, as it continues to be a thorn in our flesh.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Ivy personal <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wed Jul 09 15:58:54 2008
Subject: Blog

Ok dokay- enough is enough. I am calling ADN, as Todd just called from Dlg and said Sherry Whitstine (aka crazy hater) blogged yesterday that "Sarah had an affair with Todd's best friend while he was on the slope". No, I haven't read it- others have - it's flippin unbelievable that the ADN allows lies like this to be posted. I'm calling.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 4:30 PM
To: Ivy personal; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey
Subject: Re: Blog

She has another gross one about Fagan and me. Gross.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ivy personal
To: Governor Sarah Palin
To: Sharon Leighow
To: Rosanne Hughes
To: K Perry
To: Frank Bailey
ReplyTo: Ivy personal
Sent: Jul 9, 2008 4:16 PM
Subject: Re: Blog

Flagged two more times in my house too. I had Don send an email to the content director too. Absolutely ridiculous how long it stayed up there.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
To: Sharon Leighow
To: Rosanne Hughes
To: Kris Perry
To: Frank Bailey
To: Ivy personal
ReplyTo: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Jul 9, 2008 3:58 PM
Subject: Blog

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To: Frank Bailey
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Ivy personal; Todd
Subject: Re: Blog

Pat deleted it when we were on the phone together.

-----Original Message-----

From: Frank Bailey
To: Governor Sarah Palin
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ReplyTo: Frank Bailey
Sent: Jul 9, 2008 4:10 PM
Subject: Re: Blog

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It went up yesterday afternoon sometime.

Unacceptable. Disgusting. Vindictive.

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I think our security guys should check into her because the times she's blogged about Todd's schedule and what we drive have really infringed on our privacy rights and potential safety when psychos know when Todd's out of town.

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Subject: Southeast Director for DOT

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Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2008 11:22 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Hickel

Governor,

Later today (10:00 am AK time), governor hickel is going to hold a press availability and come out strong against awarding a license to transcanada. Backbone is split with most folks on Gottstein's side (and ours).

I imagine we will be pressed by media outlets for a response. Is there anything in particular you would like to convey? I think the story is going to be overshadowed, but we likely can't ignore it. Short and sweet ought to do.

Joe

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To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Airport

Yes. I have everyone ck'd in and your boarding passes. I'll get your luggage, get it checked. They'll escort you thru down below. I will go thru up her after everything is ck'd and will see you on other side. .

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Sent: Wed Jul 09 18:26:25 2008
Subject: Re: Airport

7pm

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From: K Perry
To: Governor Sarah Palin
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Jul 9, 2008 2:08 PM
Subject: Airport

At arrival, 7pm, go to the upper ramp (departures) to United. You'll be greeted there by airport personnel (and me) to take luggage.

From there go back around to airport again to the bottom ramp/baggage claim area to United. Airport security will meet you there and escort you all thru security. They'll park car.

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Thanks, Bristol. I love you guys, too.

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Sent: Wed Jul 09 17:34:55 2008
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This is Bristol my moms driving, we say thank you so much and mom and I were just praying about the hurt and anger that comes with her job. Thank you for your faith in God. We share it and we love you!

Bristol

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David Gottstein did write you a letter that Pat and Tom received yesterday, but I forgot to ask them to forward it to me last night. I will get it this morning and send it to you...or at least a summary.

Oh, and John Cowdery made an appearance in Juneau yesterday, but after the news last night checked himself into the local hospital.

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USA v. Cowdery

Posted by Alaska_Politics

Posted: July 10, 2008 - 8:36 am

From Kyle Hopkins in Anchorage --

A criminal case just appeared in federal court:

USA v. John Cowdery

Legislators are gathered in Juneau for a special session on a possible natural gas pipeline. Cowdery was at the hearing Wednesday but hasn't appeared this morning. His office is dark and locked, but so are a lot of other legislative offices. Not all lawmakers brought staff members to the special session.

Cowdery: AP Photo/Chris Miller
<http://community.adn.com/sites/community.adn.com/files/images/Scandal%20Cowdery_010408.preview.JPG> Cowdery: AP Photo/Chris Miller

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Also, if time permits tomorrow, Jen Murphy from the Wall Street Journal magazine would like 10 minutes with you regarding diet and exercise. She can be reached at 212-642-1987.

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To: 'garyhondel@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Other

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Web mail from: Mr. Gary Hondel
address: 367 W. Beluga Ave. Soldotna AK 99669
907-953-5736

MESSAGE:

(Attn. Sharon Leighow-sorry, I couldn't locate her contact info)

Hi Sharon!

I just returned to Kenai from Florida where I had been for the last four years. I was pleased to hear that you were appointed Governor Palin's Press Secretary! Congrats! We worked together for a short time at KFQD. I'm sure that you may not remember me. I was in sales briefly and I would hang out in the newsroom and talk with you, Eric Nelson, and Kathy Phillips from time to time. This was back in about 1999 or 2000. Anyways, I just wanted to drop you a line. I'm working for K-Bay/KPEN Radio down in Kenai right now. If you ever need a resource or anything else down here on the peninsula, just let me know! Take care!

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Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Hickel

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David Gottstein did write you a letter that Pat and Tom received yesterday, but I forgot to ask them to forward it to me last night. I will get it this morning and send it to you...or at least a summary.

Oh, and John Cowdery made an appearance in Juneau yesterday, but after the news last night checked himself into the local hospital.

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To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: K Perry

Cc: M Nizich

Sent: Jul 9, 2008 11:22 PM

Subject: Hickel

Governor,

Later today (10:00 am AK time), governor hickel is going to hold a press availability and come out strong against awarding a license to transcanada. Backbone is split with most folks on Gottstein's side (and ours).

I imagine we will be pressed by media outlets for a response. Is there anything in particular you would like to convey? I think the story is going to be overshadowed, but we likely can't ignore it. Short and sweet ought to do.

Joe

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Subject: Re: Statement - Cowdery

Sounds good thanks for working w Kris on this! Good to go.

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Subject: Statement - Cowdery

Governor Palin Releases Statement on Cowdery Indictment

July 10, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska –Governor Sarah Plain today released the following statement regarding the indictment against state Senator John Cowdery:

"It was disturbing to learn that another public official has been charged with violating the public trust. I urge Senator Cowdery to step down for the good of the state.

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"We are on the right path. I am confident that path will be made more clear and obstacle-free as justice prevails in the ongoing FBI investigation. Like many Alaskans, I look forward to closure on this disturbing chapter in our state's history."

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Subject: Re: Congressman Boehner/Speaker Pelosi

I'd like to travel w whomever ends up visiting anwr. Hopefully that can work out w one or the other of the groups and individuals going up north. Don't know if schedules mesh though.

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
Date: Thu, 10 Jul 2008 15:02:55 -0400
To: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Janice Mason<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Joseph Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Kevin Banks<kevin.banks@alaska.gov>; Kris Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Mike Nizich<Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>; Rosanne (GOV sponsored) Hughes<rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>; Sharon W (GOV) Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Russ Kelly<rkelly@ALASKADC.org>; Pat Galvin<patrick_galvin@dnr.state.ak.us>
Subject: Congressman Boehner/Speaker Pelosi

Russ Kelly and I have made several calls to Capitol Hill, including = to the offices of Speaker Pelosi and Minority Leader Boehner. The = Democrat's energy legislation is not yet available. It may be = tomorrow or early next week. The bill itself will probably not be = introduced until Wednesday.

So, my earlier critique will have to suffice for the moment. = Mr. Boehner's staff analyzes the announced components pretty much as I = have - a public relations exercise but not much substance.

Mr. Boehner is leading a small entourage of House Republicans to ANWR = in the same timeframe as the so-called Republican Challengers trip. = Arctic Power is concerned about possible overlap, not something any of us = can control.

Mr. Boehner has not discussed the trip publicly, but I'm trying to = get more information from his staff. I think it would be good if we = can get you and him together, assuming your schedule permits. =

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 10:42 AM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Deputy Commissioner at F&G

Denby must be talking to folks about this up coming vacancy.

I had a visit from the Alaska Outdoor Council reps this morning they are 100% in favor of bring someone new from the outside into the Deputy Commissioner position at F&G and applaud you for thinking this way. They are **slightly** concerned about Cory if he is the choice but also indicated that they could work with him because he has the same goal in mind as they do as an organization. They would hope that Cory, if chosen for the job, would establish a rapport with them as soon as he came on board to get a dialog going. They were excited about the prospect of turn the ship around at the department and (their words) "It would be great to finally have someone at F&G that can manage the resource and not the people". They also indicated that having some turn over within the department is not a bad thing and look forward to that happening. They stated that maybe we can finally bring in some new young talented biologist's from our state and other western states to help turn things around. They liked my idea about changing the name of Division of Wildlife Management back to the Division of Game.

Hope you are having a good day.

Mike

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Chamber Tackles Energy Crisis

Outlines 13 Principles for Change

Against a backdrop of soaring energy prices and a vigorous debate on climate change policy, the U.S. Chamber is working to focus the nation's attention on expanding domestic energy supplies while constructively addressing the issue of carbon emissions.

The Chamber and its Institute for 21st Century Energy have taken a major step forward by unveiling 13 key principles necessary for creating a new, affordable, and reliable energy future for the country. A bipartisan group of former administration officials and policymakers are expected to endorse the key principles at a July 16 event.

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Last month the Senate, in one of the most important votes of the year, rejected the Lieberman-Warner Climate Security Act of 2008, commonly known as Lieberman-Warner. Consumers, workers, and businesses can all breathe a collective sigh of relief. Read more.

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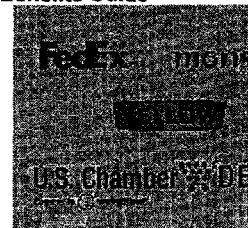
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While more and more economists are coming to the conclusion that our current economic slowdown may not officially qualify as one, some billionaire investors are still convinced that we are already in one. And a former Fed chairman recently bridged the gap by saying that the chances are better than 50% that we will still fall into one, if we aren't already there. Read more.

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Competing, and ultimately winning, in a worldwide economy is a goal of every successful businessperson, and a well-educated and well-trained workforce is necessary to achieve that goal. Government resources for training and development are available at the federal, state, and local levels. Here are some resources to help you. Read more.

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In May, we asked for your opinions in our Quick Poll. Here is a brief summary of readers' responses:

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Move Forward Smartly

I'm not surprised that many people still haven't migrated to Windows' newest operating system, Vista, with its hefty resource requirements and incompatibility with some software.

What is surprising is that so many who did make the move are reverting back to Windows XP. Companies that are now rolling back have wasted money, time, and resources and will have to repeat the process when XP reaches the end of its useful life.

The rejection of Vista by many of its users underscores the importance of researching, planning, and testing new technology. Here are some tips for each of these elements:

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To: Sarah Palin; Frank Bailey; Kris Perry; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: "State paid tab for Piper Palin flight"

I think Kyle missed the boat completely with his story, but ALL of the comments posted below his story are vindication that this wasn't newsworthy and that he's grasping for straws. (I pasted the story and comments in the body of this email).

In addition to the many things the governor has already pointed out, I think we should still let kyle know that Gov Palin has spend only \$115 k on travel in 20 months--nearly 2 years!! vs. Murkowski's half million in his last 12 months in office! Our governor's travel costs are lower than any other governor in state history and that's straight from an Empire article. The article also compared NGA costs between our governor and murkowski: Gov Palin spent \$1,855 on lodging last year vs. Murkowski's \$6,599 which included a \$937 executive suite! Sharon, here's the link to the empire story from April:
http://www.iuneauempire.com/stories/040808/sta_267202920.shtml

State paid tab for Piper Palin flight

\$402: Covering airfare for governor's family is tradition.

By KYLE HOPKINS
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When Gov. Sarah Palin's 7-year-old daughter flew to Barrow with her mother recently, the state paid the \$402 bill.

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Spokeswoman Sharon Leighow said the first family was invited to Barrow by the North Slope Borough mayor, and that Palin made the trip with her daughter Piper and 12-week-old son Trig.

"The state pays for family members to travel to official functions when they are included as part of the invitation," Leighow said.

There isn't a specific law or regulation that says the state will pay for family members' travel to events with the governor, but it's become tradition, said Linda Perez, director of administrative services in the governor's office.

"It's pretty much just been the historical practice."

The North Slope Borough sent its King Air to Wasilla pick the governor up the morning of June 30, according to the borough. She flew home that night on Alaska Airlines. Trig's a baby, so he rode for free, while Piper's one-way Alaska Airlines ticket cost \$402, according to the state.

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It's unclear how many times the state has paid for family members to travel with Palin. Asked for a tally of flights since the governor's inauguration, Perez said Wednesday that it would take time to put the list together.

Leighow said Palin doesn't bring family with her often, but that the state pays when the family's on "official business."

Asked what official business Palin's daughter would have in Barrow, Leighow said she took part in a whaling celebration. On a form requesting the state to pay for the trip, the purpose is listed as "The Governor and First Family will attend the Barrow Whaling Events/Blanket Toss."

The question of who pays for family to travel with an Alaska governor has come up before.

In 2007, Perez told the Daily News that when governors traveled with their spouses, they would normally reimburse the state unless the spouses had official duties to attend to such as first-lady events.

Gov. Frank Murkowski's wife, Nancy, accompanied her husband on scores of trips. The state was reimbursed for only a handful.

"The governor used Mrs. Murkowski as one of his primary and chief advisors ... he treated that as official business," Perez said.

North Slope Borough spokesman David Harding couldn't estimate Wednesday how much it cost

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to send the Borough's King Air -- which is used for search-and-rescue missions, wildlife management and other purposes -- to pick up the governor.

Perez said the cost of that flight will be considered a gift from the borough to the state.

Asked if it's a good use of state money to pay for travel costs for Palin's family members, Leighow said: "There's a certain expectation of the first family. Which includes participating in community activities and making public appearances."

4Thursday, July 10, 2008 - 8:59am | **moosemom**

Good Reporting...NOT!

Stop trying to stir up a controversy with every little tidbit. This isn't news reporting, it's mongering.

3Thursday, July 10, 2008 - 8:48am | **alaskafundraising**

but if our governor had a jet

we wouldnt even be having this conversation it would cost the same no matter how many family members make the trip. Palin is the CEO of the largest state in the union. CEO's are granted certain perks for themselves/family members, there is no story here.

2Thursday, July 10, 2008 - 8:26am | **SOelkers29**

Rabble Rousing Article

This article feels like grasping for straws to me. And if you've ever been to Barrow and participated in the celebrations surrounding the whaling season you'd know that kids are indeed a huge part of the events. I'm sure they were honored that Piper could come and participate. Kyle - spend your time more wisely and ferret out some real news.

1Thursday, July 10, 2008 - 8:17am | **Cama1**

so what is the problem?

I don't have any problem with the Palin family traveling with our lady Governor. Do we need to make a big deal out of this? OK...lets vote..who cares? I don't care. As long as they're not going to Hawaii on vacation (without me) I don't care.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 2:17 AM
To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Hickel

Joe:

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From: Joe Balash
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: K Perry
Cc: M Nizich
Sent: Jul 9, 2008 11:22 PM
Subject: Hickel

Governor,

Later today (10:00 am AK time), governor hickel is going to hold a press availability and come out strong against awarding a license to transcanada. Backbone is split with most folks on Gottstein's side (and ours).

I imagine we will be pressed by media outlets for a response. Is there anything in particular you would like to convey? I think the story is going to be overshadowed, but we likely can't ignore it. Short and sweet ought to do.

Joe

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Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 10:59 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Statement - Cowdery

Governor Palin Releases Statement on Cowdery Indictment

July 10, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska –Governor Sarah Plain today released the following statement regarding the indictment against state Senator John Cowdery:

"It was disturbing to learn that another public official has been charged with violating the public trust. I urge Senator Cowdery to step down for the good of the state.

"Today's news is a good reminder that we must continue to be vigilant in defending Alaska's sovereignty against those who would undermine it in an attempt to sell out Alaskans. As we move forward, let me remind everyone that this administration is committed to putting Alaskans and their interests first, as we develop our resources in a responsible and ethical manner.

"We are on the right path. I am confident that path will be made more clear and obstacle-free as justice prevails in the ongoing FBI investigation. Like many Alaskans, I look forward to closure on this disturbing chapter in our state's history."

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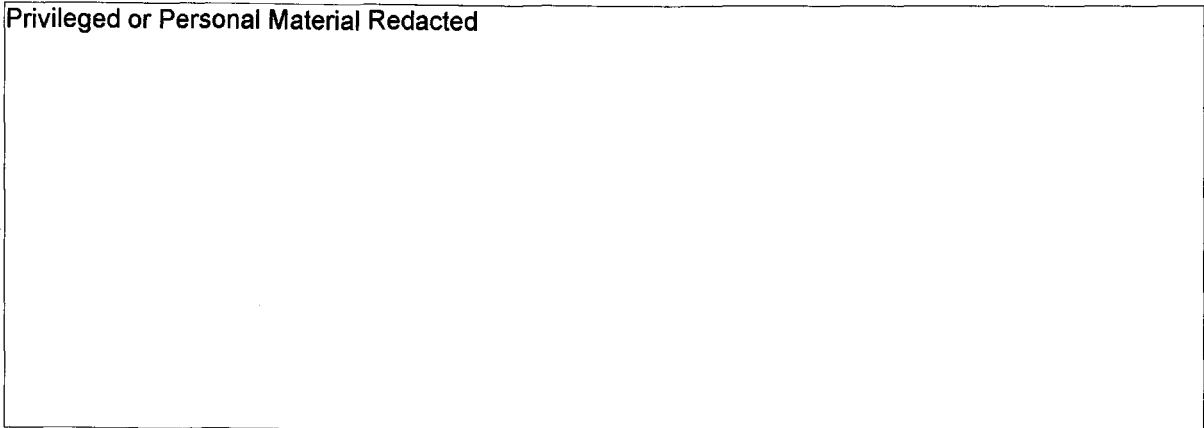
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Subject: Re: Speaker Pelosi/Energy Legislation

Thanks so much for this excellent recap John. Pls let me know when you hear more.

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

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Subject: Speaker Pelosi/Energy Legislation

It is my understanding that Speaker Pelosi was trying to reach you. Accordingly, I wanted you to see the article below concerning her energy proposals. We haven't seen the bill as yet but are trying to get a copy now. Here are a few editorial comments:

The bill would purportedly expedite oil and gas leasing in NPR-A. For the most part, however, the BLM's leasing program there has gone well.

The bill does not deal with ANWR and probably not with OCS leasing in the Beaufort and Chukchi Seas - these being the most prospective areas for oil and gas.

The bill will apparently include a "Use it or lose it" feature mandating activity on existing leases before new leases are issued to a particular company. This is a numbers game which has nothing to do with the realities of oil and gas development.

The bill would reimpose a previous prohibition against Alaska oil exports. However, very little oil has been exported in the last several years. In my opinion, this is an attack on Alaska sovereignty since no similar ban exists for other states.

The bill would supposedly expedite construction of the natural gas pipeline. We will need to see these provisions, but I can't imagine what they might be, as the 2005 legislation was pretty comprehensive. I would be surprised if the "bridge shipper" concept or major changes to the loan guarantee have been included.

The article makes reference to facilitating an oil pipeline. I have no idea what this could be, but we'll check.

The Speaker's proposal is expected to come up on the suspension calendar, which requires a two-thirds vote but means that the bill can't be amended on the House floor. The House Republicans have a domestic production alternative which includes ANWR. (The Senate Republicans' version doesn't include ANWR.)

Previously, neither party has had the votes to move their energy proposals through the process but they have been able to block legislation from the other party. Whether this pattern will continue remains to be seen.

This is a very rough initial reaction. I'll be back to you with more informed analysis once we've seen the legislation.

OIL AND GAS: House Democrats unveil 'production' bill (07/10/2008)

Alex Kaplun, Greenwire reporter

House Democratic leaders said today they plan to bring to the floor next week a "production" energy bill aimed at forcing oil companies to drill on leased lands in the continental United States as well as in Alaska.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi of California and other top Democrats unveiled a legislative package that would require oil companies to drill on already-leased land before acquiring new leases and require the Bureau of Land Management to offer leases on roughly 20 million acres in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska every year.

The measure would also ban oil companies from exporting oil drilled in Alaska and attempt to speed construction of the Alaska natural gas pipeline and oil pipeline.

The proposal highlights an ongoing philosophical shift among Democrats, who appear to be increasingly willing to back legislation to increase fossil fuel production.

During the press conference, Democrats repeatedly emphasized that they support domestic production, contrary to the claims from the Republican side of the aisle. "Democrats support increasing the domestic production of petroleum and other energy sources," said House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer of Maryland.

Pelosi said she anticipates bringing the bill to the floor under suspension, possibly as soon as next week. That move would require approval of two-thirds of the House but would also preclude consideration of Republican amendments to allow more drilling offshore or in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

"We work very hard to build consensus," Pelosi said in response to questions about how Democrats were planning to move the bill. "When we get it, we try to move forward."

Republicans, meanwhile, are continuing to press Pelosi to allow a vote on expanding offshore drilling. Democrats have shelved work on spending bills because GOP members are pushing for committee votes on drilling amendments.

"That should be debated vigorously in Congress, but it should be debated on the House floor, not just something we talk about on talk shows," Rep. Jack Kingston (R-Ga.) said at an Appropriations Committee oversight hearing on commodity markets today.

"Why should we blame our prices on someone else when we are unwilling to drill and unwilling to build refineries?" Kingston asked.

'A hoax'

But Pelosi and other top Democrats brushed aside such suggestions, saying their legislation would offer Republicans an opportunity to support increased domestic production.

"This call for drilling in areas that are protected is a hoax," Pelosi said. "If they want to drill ... we support the drilling."

Pelosi and other Democrats maintain there is little likelihood that increased domestic production will have a substantial impact on prices in the short run. Instead, Pelosi said she would continue to press the White House to release oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR), saying such a move is the single most significant thing that could be done in the near term.

"It's the fastest thing we can do -- taking oil out of the SPR in a strategic, responsible way is the fastest thing we can do to lower prices at the pump," she said.

Pelosi also said she expects to bring to the floor soon separate legislation dealing with energy market speculation.

Senior reporter Ben Geman contributed to this report.

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To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
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Dear governor palin. The federal government formally filed bribery charges against
cowdery this morning. The charges name senator a and b as well. A is described in such a
way as it could be Olson. TALIS.

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From: Whitfield, James (HHS/OS) [James.Whitfield@HHS.GOV]

Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 3:01 PM

To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Meeting with HHS Secretary Mike Leavitt 7/22 4:30 pm

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There is still a small amount of flexibility in the Secretary's schedule on the 22nd, 23rd and 24th both in Juneau and Anchorage, so please feel free to make suggestions about times that might better work for the Governor. I can be reached most readily at 206/788-6465.

Thank you.

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Subject: FW: Weekly News Bulletin: Jul. 10-16, 2008

From: Waste Business Journal [mailto:info@wastebusinessjournal.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 11:06 PM
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1. ALLIED WASTE LAUNCHES NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP WITH RECYCLEBANK

Allied Waste Industries and RecycleBank announced a strategic partnership to launch a nationwide recycling incentive program. The partnership is expected to pair Allied's seven million residential customers with RecycleBank's program that rewards households that recycle with points which can be redeemed for gift certificates and discounts to more than 400 brand name national and local retailers across the country or even donated to charity. Allied and RecycleBank hope to add at least a million new customers to the program by the end of next year. Allied's participation is another important vote of confidence in RecycleBank's approach. Last year, Coca Cola became a partner and invested about \$2 million in the program. In April of this year, RecycleBank secured a \$30 million investment from leading venture firm Kleiner, Perkins, Caulfield and Byers, and others...[Read More »](#)

2. CITY OF DETROIT WILL NOT BUY WASTE-TO-ENERGY PLANT, WAIT AND SEE

Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick said that the city will not buy the waste-to-energy plant which has processed nearly two thirds of the city's 550,000 tons of waste per year since it was built in 1991. That decision follows last month's decision not to renew its lease with Covanta Energy which operates the plant. Instead, the city seems to favor increased recycling efforts and landfill disposal. However, there are many obstacles, not the least of which is the high cost of deploying recycling programs in a city that is only recycling an estimated 8% of its waste stream. Also, a contract provision exists that says the plant owner, Energy Investors Funds of Boston, which bought a majority interest in it this year, can require waste be brought to the plant if it can match or beat bids from local landfill operators. The rising cost of landfill disposal together with high fuel costs to transport waste there tips the balance in favor of the waste-to-energy plant...[Read More »](#)

3. ALLIED WASTE SEEKS STATE HELP WITH GIANT SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL

Amid disagreement between the city and county of Los Angeles over how to oversee the giant Sunshine Canyon landfill that straddles both jurisdictions, the landfill's owner, Allied Waste has been forced to appeal its case all the way to the California Integrated Waste Management Board. The landfill which consists of two sites, one in the city of Los Angeles, the other in unincorporated county territory, would like to consolidate the two so that it can accept 12,100 tons of waste per day but has been required to operate them separately until the city and county form a joint agency to oversee it. Local officials are keen to keep control over the landfill which has been controversial for its proximity to residents, and reservoirs. With space running out on the city side and foot-dragging by local officials, Allied was forced to take its case to the state which last week agreed to oversee the landfill until a joint agency is established...[Read More »](#)

4. BARNWELL LOW-LEVEL NUCLEAR SITE TO CLOSE TO MOST OUTSIDERS

Utah-based EnergySolutions is preparing to close its low-level nuclear waste disposal site in Barnwell County, SC to all but South Carolina, New Jersey and Connecticut. That site has accepted waste from around the country for nearly 40 years, but political pressure led to an agreement in 2000 to limit those shipments, despite local support including Barnwell County. County officials are concerned about the loss of jobs and host fee revenue...[Read More »](#)

5. **PLASCO ENERGY GETS CITY APPROVAL FOR 400 TPD PLASMA CONVERSION PLANT**

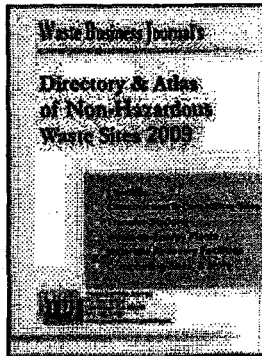
The City of Ottawa, Ont. approved plans to allow Plasco Energy Group to build, own and operate a 400 tonne-per-day waste conversion plant that will process municipal solid waste that would otherwise be destined for a landfill. The process employs plasma torches that heat and gasify the waste to produce both a synthetic gas and an inert slag material. The clean burning synthetic gas will be combusted to produce about 21 MW of electricity. In return for building and funding the plant, Plasco will be paid \$60 per tonne of waste processed, escalated to reflect CPI over a 20-year contract...[Read More »](#)

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6. **STOLLER CORP. AWARDED \$18.5M CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR HANFORD CLEANUP**

Colorado-based Stoller Corporation, an environmental, waste management firm announced that it had won a two-year, \$18.5 million contract extension for management of the disposal facility at the abandoned Hanford nuclear site in Washington. The Hanford Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility (ERDF) has been receiving waste from the cleanup project since 1996, and handles about one million tons of low-level radioactive material each year. Stoller received its first \$18 million contract to manage the disposal facility in March 2006...[Read More »](#)

7. **ALLIED WASTE TO RELEASE SECOND QUARTER ON JULY 30**

Allied Waste Industries said that it will report second quarter financial results at the close of the market on Wednesday, July 30 and host a conference call at 5 p.m. (Eastern) that afternoon...[Read More »](#)

8. **COVANTA HOLDING TO RELEASE SECOND QUARTER ON JULY 29**

Covanta Holding Corp. plans to release its second quarter financial results at the close of the market on July 29 and host a conference call the following day at 8:30 a.m. (Eastern)...[Read More »](#)

9. **WASTE CONNECTIONS TO RELEASE SECOND QUARTER ON JULY 22**

Waste Connections said that it will report second quarter financial results at the close of the market on July 22. The company will host a

conference call the following day at 8:30 a.m. (Eastern) to discuss those results...[Read More »](#)

10. WASTE SERVICES TO RELEASE SECOND QUARTER ON JULY 22

Waste Services, Inc. said it plans to release second quarter results at the close of markets on Tuesday, July 22 and hold a conference call the following day at 8:30 a.m. (Eastern) to discuss them...[Read More »](#)

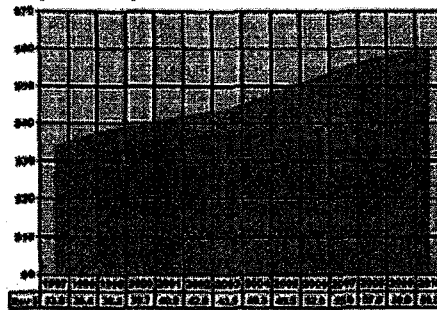
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Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 11:26 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: status on Larry Persily

Dear Governor Palin,

The email below may be of interest to you or you may know something of it already.

The email is in regard to an ongoing effort by the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Commission (of which I am automatically a member – it is the federally funded commission on rural justice in Alaska) to recruit a new executive director. Bruce Botelho is also on the commission and has been approaching various people to apply for the position. Bruce had approached Larry Persily. What may be of interest to you here is reason given by Larry as to why he has declined to apply for the commission position as executive director. He wants to “take an active outspoken role in state oil and gas, energy, finance and/or policy issues.” This is consistent with the one personal meeting I had with Larry in DC in March when he expressed to me his frustration with his job because he had to set aside his opinions to do his work. Perhaps you already know what his plans are. This implies he has plans to be a visible commentator soon. Talis

From: BotelhoB [mailto:BotelhoB@ci.juneau.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 11:17 AM
To: Torgerson, James E.; gschubert@inuitservices.com; Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Cohen, Nelson (USAAK)
Subject: status on Larry Persily

Folks, Larry wrote to follow up on the meeting I had with him about the ED position two weeks ago and to let me know that he will not be applying for the position. He said in part: I've decided not to apply for the Justice Commission job. I appreciate that you asked, but I believe what I really want to do next is take an active, outspoken role in state oil and gas, energy, finance and/or policy issues.

Bruce

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Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 6:01 AM
To: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Senator Stevens comments tomorrow

Meg/Sharon: Excellent, I agree he doesn't need to be seen as too cozy for a perceived political reason. Thanks so much for the excellent work here with his staffers, this should go a long way. (That, and your amazing ability to mandate another indictment at just the right time... :))

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From: "Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 10 Jul 2008 21:52:42 -0800
To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: FW: Senator Stevens comments tomorrow

Governor,

Following a couple of conversations with Aaron Saunders in Senator Stevens' office, I received a final phone call tonight regarding the Senator's expected comments tomorrow before the legislature. Essentially, the Senator is saying everything that I asked for on your behalf, except for an all-out endorsement of AGIA. At this point, Aaron says that the Senator doesn't want to jump "into the fray." He also doesn't want to have it appear as though he's doing the speech just for AGIA and for political purposes (to continue the "love fest and just "buddy up" to buddy up).

While the Senator is editing his speech right now, Aaron expects the following to be conveyed during the course of the speech:

- Senator will thank the Governor for advancing the ball re: the natural gas pipeline and for her bold leadership on the issue (Senator will not delve specifically into AGIA).
- Senator will acknowledge and thank the Governor for progressing the gasline further than it has ever gone before.
- Senator will ask the legislature to quickly pass the Governor's short-term energy plan, including both the energy rebates and the state gas tax suspension. He hopes that quiets the conservative outcry. He likes both ideas very much.
- Senator will say that he is supportive of the Governor's leadership on both issues (AGIA and short-term plan).

As you will see in the note below, the email follows our phone conversation and includes many of these elements.

Thanks,
Meghan

From: Saunders, Aaron (Stevens) [mailto:Aaron_Saunders@stevens.senate.gov]
Sent: Thu 7/10/2008 9:18 PM

9/18/2009

To: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)

Subject: Senator Stevens comments tomorrow

Hi Meg - in the most recent draft this is what Senator Stevens plans to say about the Gov. He didn't want to get jump into the fray on AGIA but wanted to give your boss credit:

"I also congratulate the Governor for her leadership to move this project further than we have seen in our state's history."

Now, the speech continues to change by the minute but I expect the Senator to support the Gov wholeheartedly. I know he will back her energy relief proposal and ask the Legislature to swiftly pass it.

That said, specific language continues to change but you can count on my boss to back yours.

Hope this helps. I'm on my way to Chicago! Take care,

Aaron

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Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 9:02 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Meeting with HHS Secretary Mike Leavitt 7/22 4:30 pm

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Thank you.

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Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 10:08 AM
To: wjhickel@gci.net
Cc: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Subject: AGIA and the need for a scoping or preliminary Energy Forum For Anchorage alone
Date: 7-11-08 Fri

To: Mr. Hickel; And all parties public and private

Thank you and Mr. Roberts for your many community contributions and involvements.

It is my "presumption in good faith" that Our Govenors team and public servants as guardians of our resource development and values are in the process of instituting a long overdue policy formation for several reasons....; And, upon conclusion of this policy construct or design, our leaders will adjust AGIA for its many possible and potential avenues of "in Alaskas' best interests" designs. (a lot of them to look at)

I understand the the key phrase is "presumption in good faith", and in this case i feel compelled to convey my faith and trust in these guardians of our assets to do the right thing....in the end.

This is a "big pipe of information" issue undertaking when you get next to it so i won't belabor my position with further dialog...

HOWEVER:

Please, Mr. Hickel and Mr. Roberts

I would beseach you to call for a public (5 day long 10hour days-panels up and panels down) on live camera, an Anchorage Energy Forum discussion.

This needs to happen right away. I believe Mr. Haagensons AEA/AIDEA is planning some kind of unfolding event around December.. This if way too far outor at least we need to begin to see what we have here.

We need to shake the bushes now... Energy is the center of the Universe in its relevance and needs...

We as a society have truly missed the boat in reference to our home energy needs and techonologies along with who owns them and their development; And we need to tackle this matter now... not in December....(at the very least,,, for Anchorage area alone)

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We need to begin to see who is where on all energy matters. Now!

And of course, my main concern is with Residential, or as the census bureau calls them
Housing Units... of which the census bureau estimated 260,460 in 2000 .

Thank You all for your many contributions to a better society....

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PS

Mr. Haymes of Exxon Mobile, on camera, called this undertaking "the largest project on the planet"

Given, that is the case, i would suggest to you and all of us that we should feel compelled to rise in
kind to the occassion in areas around this project....and that is where my interests are at!

Alaska can be a new next great Energy Based Society, And this new society will bring things "a site to
behold", "the stuff dreams are made of", "true indivudal free will freedoms",

and an abundance of potential free enterprise opportunities...

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 10:06 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: DV Task Force Meeting

From: Kelly Marre [mailto:kellym@akafs.org]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 9:03 AM
To: 'Angella Long'; 'Betsy Woodin'; Adams, Beth C (ACS); 'Becky Bellamy'; 'Burnett, Jenna (Stevens)'
Subject: DV Task Force Meeting

*Just a reminder that our DV Task Force meeting will be meeting next **Wednesday, July 16th at 8:00 a.m.** The meeting lasts about one hour. Please come prepared to share ideas about working with other professionals and community members to assist and provide services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, as well ideas & thoughts about holding perpetrators more accountable. Feel free to invite others to participate in this group.*

*I will be out of the office on Monday and Tuesday, so please call Judy Gette @ 746-6249 if you have any questions.
Kelly*

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From: Bruce D Webb [bwebb@aurorapower.com]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 9:46 AM
To: ddonkel@cfl.rr.com
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Jim White; 'Jim Gottstein'; Rick in Fairbanks; nickstepo@gmail.com
Subject: Hello, hello.... is anybody home?

Dan,

That was the Governor's auto response. I have received a dozen of them over the past year.

Nice letter, but I am afraid it is being delivered to deaf ears. I am starting to wonder what the Governor's agenda is, as she, and particularly Joe Balash, have NEVER replied to me, and I sent Joe a message last week – asking him directly what his purpose was, because I have been including him in all the oil and gas e-mails that deal with the injustices being propagated in several departments. I seriously do not have any idea what his role in State government is. I made it a return receipt and "notify when read" e-mail. He got it, read it, and of course, ignored it. (attached) I offered to sit down with him over coffee and discuss his role, what he could do for me, and I would have asked him if there was any way I could help him. I wanted to know whether or not I was wasting his time by including him in all the e-mails. Apparently I am.

Sarah is most likely devoting the majority of her time in justifying her AGIA legislation, which is now being countered not only by ConocoPhillips with the Denali proposal, but by Governor Knowles with a different approach, and Governor Hickel with yet another. The woes of the independents are insignificant in comparison to what the majors are delivering and what a gas line would mean to Alaskans – it's sad but true. We just don't matter enough to be heard. All we can do is keep trying, unfortunately, after trying for so many years – we start sounding like fanatics – which adds to the administrations desire to ignore us.

This is especially frustrating for me, having served within the State for over 20 years, more than half of which in the Division of Oil and Gas. I have the unique experience of knowing the "process" from the inside looking out, and now - after almost four years of oil and gas consulting and managing the land and regulatory affairs for one of the only independents in Alaska still managing to survive - from the outside looking. I can point out a hundred deficiencies and ambiguities in State regulations that would be EASY to fix and make the "process" more fair and conducive for competition and exploration. The problem lies in that it serves no ones political agenda to change things. The administration(s) would rather focus their attention on "NEW" legislation and administrative process that will focus the spotlight on them and their prospective achievements, instead of fixing the old statutes and regulations that create and propagate the problems.

In several discussions with you, Jim, Rick and others, I have come to the conclusion that if we want to change things, we are going to have to start a public awareness campaign and educate the people of Alaska. Only when we are able to bring these issues out in the open to the general public and compete for the "spotlight" with AGIA, Denali, ACES, and the litany of other "important" issues, will we be noticed and taken seriously. Check out this website:

<http://www.state.ak.us/local/akpages/LEGISLATURE/ombud/standarz.htm>

There are 16 standards that the State Ombudsman uses to investigate complaints against state officials, departments and Divisions. I was in a meeting yesterday with the DCOM, DOG, F&G, DEC and COE. 12 of those 16 standards were violated. Once a complaint is filed with the Ombudsman, they MUST investigate it, and publish it on their website. Perhaps it is time to start using the State's own system to bring these issues to the forefront – and everytime a complaint is filed, copy all the media agencies in the

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state... this would cost us nothing. More than half of these standards are relevant in the Corsair Unit Expansion Decision alone.

Anyway, I have ranted about my disappointment with the administration enough. I hope the weather and view in Florida is making you smile.

Take care,

-Bruce

From: ddonkel@cfl.rr.com [mailto:ddonkel@cfl.rr.com]

Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 1:04 AM

To: Kari Spencer; Sarah Palin; Governor Sarah Palin; Governor Palin; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Jim Winegarner; Bob & Faith Warthen; Tom Walsh; Bill VanDyke; Stan Snyder; Pat Shaw;

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Kevin_Banks; Vladimir Katic; jimwhite; Rick Wagner; Jerry Hodgden; Bruce D. Webb; Lt. Gov. Parnell; David

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Subject: Re: Cowdery indicted on two corruption charges: FBI investigations into Alaska politics | adn.com

Dear Gov. Palin or Who ever replied. I hope this was not a computer responds you sent to my letter below!

Why have I never received one responds from the Governor on these oil and gas matters after almost a hundred letters from me to help stop oil and gas corruption in Alaska and help cause fair competition in Alaska from small oil companies against the Majors?

Have you reviewed your oil and gas lease sales history and have you noted that my "Danco" companies or I (DANIEL K. DONKEL) have been one of Alaska's largest and longest (since 1983) oil and gas lease customers in many Cook Inlet lease sales and on the North Slope?

Have you also noted that I helped with others indirectly cause millions of barrels of new oil production in the Cook Inlet at Redoubt Shoals oil and gas field that created many Alaskan jobs and royalty and other valuable income to the State for benefit all Alaskans?

Also, do you know I have supported, along with Rick Wagner and others, Gov. Palin's efforts to help Alaska to be more oil and gas productive and have tried for decades to help increase oil and gas competition from the small oil and gas companies that have been apparently shut out of Alaska profit making business for decades by the State's subject oil and gas corruption or injustice?

Can I ask one favor? If yes, then may I ask that Rick Wagner, Bruce D. Webb, Paul Craig, David Boelens, Jerry Hodgden, Jim White and me (if all are agreeable / others may be included if they are schedulable) to meet with Gov. Palin to find solutions to this oil and gas corruption and bad oil and gas laws that has keep small oil companies and Alaskans from competition profitably for well over three decades?

We are all small Alaskan oil men with well over one hundred year of combined Alaska oil and gas experience and we only want one hour to meet with Gov. Palin to talk about this subject corruption and how the small oil and gas competitors can benefit Alaska just as they do in

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Kansas and many other producing oil State's in the lower 48 and Canada.

May I respectfully ask for a meaningful and respectful response of a simple "yes" or "no" to have this group or any one from this group meet with Gov. Sarah Palin for one hour by phone or in person to help Alaskans and small oil companies drill and produce more oil and gas for our nation?

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
To: ddonkel@cfl.rr.com
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 5:28 PM
Subject: RE: Cowdery indicted on two corruption charges: FBI investigations into Alaska politics | adn.com

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

From: ddonkel@cfl.rr.com [<mailto:ddonkel@cfl.rr.com>]
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 1:22 PM
To: Banks, Kevin R (DNR); Alfred James; irvin.t.joy@poa02.usace.army.mil; Chris Brecht; Danny S. Davis; Rick Wagner; Vladimir Katic; jimwhite; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Palin, Sarah H (GOV); Paul L. Craig; Bruce D. Webb; David Boelens
Cc: Senator_Thomas_Wagoner@legis.state.ak.us; Green, Lyda N (LAA); McGuire, Lesil L (LAA); Stevens, Gary L (LAA); Huggins, Charlie (LAA); Wielechowski, Bill (LAA); Stedman, Bert K (LAA); Richard A. Fineberg; Vladimir Katic; Balash, Joseph R (GOV); James Gottstein; Jerry Hodgden
Subject: Cowdery indicted on two corruption charges: FBI investigations into Alaska politics | adn.com

Dear Gov. Palin and Friends

Please read the subject "BREAKING NEWS",

"Cowdery indicted on two corruption charges: FBI investigations into Alaska politics" | adn.com

Then read some solutions below. We want to give Gov. Palin and the Legislature information that can give reasons to allow small oil and gas companies to compete fairly in Alaska if new laws are passed ASAP!!

What harm has all this corruption in Alaska politics done to Alaska's small oil and gas competitors over the last 14 year If Sen. John Cowdery was the GATE KEEPER AS REPORTED IN Anchorage Daily News? I quote " He's had powerful positions in the Senate leadership, including Rules Committee chairman, serving as gatekeeper for which bills reach the full Senate for a vote."?

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If this is true THEN HOW WILL GOVERNOR PALIN IDENTIFY AND UNDO THE APPARENT HARM HE AND OTHERS DID TO ALASKA'S SMALL OIL AND GAS COMPETITORS UNLESS WE ALL HELP GOV. PALIN AND LEGISLATURE NOW???

In Alaska it has been reported by Dr. Paul Graig of Trading Bay Energy of Anchorage, that drilling permits are costing 76 time higher then the average cost in the lower 48 States and Canada!! With all this corruption in Alaska politics it seems possible that those who have most all Alaska's oil and gas markets may have bribed certain Alaskan Legislators to make laws to keep the smaller competitors out so they can control the markets. Alaska oil and gas laws need to be like Kansas and now is the time to do it, so Alaska will be more productive and competitive. See this link below for details on Dr. Craig's Testomony to the Alaska Legislature, http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/get_minutes_comm.asp?hse=H&session=24&comm=O!G&date=20051121&time=1310.

MAYBE Sen. John Cowdery HELPED BLOCK THE SENATE VERSION OF HB 53 AND OTHER BILLS IN ORDER TO KEEP THE SMALL COMPETITORS OUT OF ALASKA. MAYBE GOV. PALIN CAN CONSIDER THE KANSAS MODEL FOR DRILLING PERMITS SO SMALL OIL AND GAS COMPANIES CAN DRILL FOR OIL WITHOUT THE IMPOSABLE RED TAPE AND PERMITTING COST THAT WE HAVE KEEPING SMALL OIL COMPANIES OUT OF ALASKA.

I suggest Gov. Palin and staff talk with Jerry Hodgden the Alaskan and Kansas consulting Geologist to help Alaska consider the Kansas model, he can be reached at geodogs@comcast.net. I believe he would want to help consult with Governor Palin and other Alaskan leaders to adopt the Kansas legislation this next session at a fee The Alaska State Government can afford. Please contact me if I can assist in any way possible.

WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS? THANKS, DANIEL K. DONKEL at ddonkel@cfl.rr.com please click on this link for the full story; <http://www.adn.com/news/politics/fbi/story/460986.html>

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 9:09 AM
To: 'noel.janda@dsi-ak.com'
Subject: RE: Energy

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 7:27 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Energy

Web mail from: Mr. Noel Janda
address: 11611 Snowline Circle Anchorage AK 99507
907-345-4284

MESSAGE:

How do we go about setting an appointment with the governor to discuss an energy project?
We would need 30 minutes with questions.

noel.janda@dsi-ak.com

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 8:09 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: Fw: NEWS CLIPS 07-11-08

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From: Burkert, Erin (GOV sponsored) <erin.burkert@alaska.gov>
Sent: Fri Jul 11 08:02:16 2008
Subject: NEWS CLIPS 07-11-08

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ANCHORAGE DAILY NEWS

Cowdery indicted on two corruption charges

By LISA DEMER
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Nearly two years after the FBI raided his office, state Sen. John Cowdery was indicted on conspiracy and bribery charges.

The Anchorage Republican is accused of scheming with Veco Corp. executives to buy the vote of another senator in the battle for an oil tax favored by North Slope oil producers.

According to the 16-page indictment, Cowdery and others conspired in 2006 to give another senator \$25,000, characterized as campaign contributions. The indictment was handed up by a grand jury Wednesday and filed in U.S. District Court on Thursday.

Cowdery was not arrested. He's been summoned to appear in U.S. District Court in Anchorage on Aug. 11.

Cowdery will fight the charges, said his attorney, Kevin Fitzgerald of Anchorage.

"Senator Cowdery will be exonerated, and this will be exposed for the mistake it is," Fitzgerald said in a written statement.

"We believe that in the indictment the government has seriously misinterpreted the few comments made by Senator Cowdery and has exacerbated the problem by presenting short snippets of conversation out of context," Fitzgerald said.

Gov. Sarah Palin called for Cowdery to resign.

"It was disturbing to learn that another public official has been charged with violating the public trust. I urge Senator Cowdery to step down, for the good of the state," Palin said.

At 78, Cowdery is the oldest member of the Alaska Legislature. Until January, he was chairman of the powerful Rules Committee. He has been in poor health. He isn't running for re-election this year.

The indictment identifies the senator whom Cowdery was trying to influence only as "State Senator A." Fitzgerald said that person is Donny Olson, D-Nome, who in 2006 was running for lieutenant governor and looking for campaign funds.

The document describes a series of phone calls as well as a June 25, 2006, breakfast meeting. Olson, Cowdery and Veco chief executive Bill Allen met at the old Sunshine Grill in Anchorage, Olson's lawyer, Paul Stockler of Anchorage, said Thursday.

Olson didn't want to talk about the case against Cowdery in detail on Thursday but said he

is cooperating in the investigation.

"If there is corruption out there, those people need to be held responsible," Olson said.

Olson has been cooperating with the FBI and federal prosecutors for about a year, Stockler said. He testified to a federal grand jury in June and has been interviewed maybe a half dozen times about the events covered in the indictment, and confirmed a transcript of the June breakfast, Stockler said.

Olson has no assurance that he won't be prosecuted, but Stockler said it appears highly unlikely that he will be.

"I don't believe Donny Olson did anything wrong," Stockler said. Olson never received the \$25,000.

A SERIES OF PHONE CALLS

Cowdery and Olson are among six state legislators whose offices were searched by the FBI on Aug. 31, 2006, the event that broke into the open a bribery scandal that has shaken Alaska's political establishment.

Allen and Veco vice president Rick Smith pleaded guilty to bribing legislators to push through the oil tax supported by North Slope producers, and admitted in court papers that Cowdery was part of the conspiracy.

Two former legislators, Pete Kott of Eagle River and Vic Kohring of Wasilla, are serving federal prison sentences after being convicted on corruption charges related to the push for the tax. A third former legislator, Bruce Weyhrauch of Juneau, is awaiting trial.

The new indictment covers a series of phone calls that began in March 2006 and also the June 2006 breakfast. The FBI had wiretaps on Allen's and Smith's phones. They are not named in the Cowdery charging document, but Fitzgerald confirmed that they are the unnamed executives cited.

During 2006, legislators haggled over a new way to tax oil companies that would bring in more state revenue during times of high oil prices. Veco was pushing a 20 percent tax rate proposed by the Murkowski administration to help promote construction of a natural gas pipeline from the North Slope. Others wanted a higher rate.

According to the new indictment, in a March 30, 2006, telephone call, Cowdery told Smith they needed the support of legislators on the Senate Finance Committee, including Olson. He and his wife were "pretty good friends" with Olson. They could get together socially and talk about where Olson stood, Cowdery told Smith.

Later, on June 20, 2006, Smith twice told Allen in a phone call that the only leverage Veco had to change votes on the tax was by making campaign contributions and hosting fund-raisers.

Then, the charges say, on June 22, 2006, Smith told Cowdery "gotta have some votes here." Smith said company executives would help Olson if he would "step up to the plate," according to the indictment.

Cowdery said he had told Olson, "Maybe we can buy some gasoline," the indictment says. "You know, he's got planes," Cowdery told Smith. A doctor and pilot, Olson owns Olson Air Service Inc.

"Yeah. Yeah," Smith answered.

"That'd be pretty easy and clean," Cowdery said.

Smith said the company didn't "have a problem gettin' some checks to (State Senator A) ... if he can come through on this PPT ... and the gas line," according to the indictment. The tax was called the Petroleum Profits Tax.

Cowdery said he'd tell Olson, the charges say.

"Okay. I mean this is -- you know, I mean this is, ah, come to Jesus time," Smith said.

In another phone call, according to the charges, Cowdery told Allen that he had let Olson know he could probably get Olson some campaign money, but Olson would have to vote for the tax and the gas line. Cowdery said that Olson answered that he had no problem with that, the charges say.

THE BREAKFAST MEETING

On June 25, 2006, Cowdery, Allen and Olson met over breakfast at the Sunshine Grill, which used to be the restaurant next to the Moose's Tooth. They didn't know that a couple of FBI agents were in the next booth with a video camera. Stockler described that scene, based on evidence shown to him and Olson.

Over breakfast, Cowdery told Olson that he needed to go along with Cowdery and two other legislators. One was identified in the charges only as State Senator B. Fitzgerald said that was then-Senate President Ben Stevens. The other wasn't identified at all.

Olson said he needed to get through the primary battle for lieutenant governor, the charges say.

Allen asked him how much money he needed.

"I don't know," Olson answered, according to the indictment. "I've got \$100,000 of my own ... but I may fall short, and that's why I haven't had a fund-raiser because I've got all this other stuff I'm trying to organize."

"Well, I think the way (company CEO) could do that is by check. Probably the best way for everybody," Cowdery said, according to the indictment.

"There are a couple of issues I can certainly help you out on. But I gotta be real careful on some of the other ones," Olson said.

"So you need ... some money here pretty quick?" Allen asked Olson. Olson nodded that he did.

Olson then asked Allen, "How much are you good for?"

"What?" Allen answered.

"How much are you good for?"

"Oh, we can probably go 25," Allen answered.

"That's a good start," Olson answered, according to the charges.

Later in the meeting, the indictment says that Cowdery told Olson that "I think we can make this work if you vote the way me and (State Senator B) were to vote when we get down (to Juneau)."

Olson said if they had 11 votes in the Senate and 21 in the House, "I'll be there with you," according to the charging document.

Later that day, Ben Stevens told Allen on the phone that if Olson got money for his campaign, "We might be able to keep him ... as a player," according to the charges. Two days later, Stevens talked to both Cowdery and Olson multiple times, the charges say. Stevens has denied that he did anything wrong.

Olson lost in the August primary to Democrat Ethan Berkowitz.

No Veco fund-raiser ever occurred; the money wasn't pursued after the meeting, Fitzgerald said.

"Our understanding was that while Senator Cowdery was present at this breakfast meeting on June 25, 2006, more than two years ago, he made more comments about the ham being served than he did about the discussion between Allen and Olson," Fitzgerald said in his statement.

LEGISLATORS REACT

Thursday morning in Juneau, legislators were anxiously trying to get information on the criminal charges against one of their colleagues. Cowdery wasn't there, although he attended the legislative session on Wednesday. His office was locked and dark.

Copies of the indictment were made, and lawmakers were seen walking with them in hand.

The Senate leadership appeared shaken initially, but later Senate President Lyda Green talked about the scandal involving a member of her coalition.

Green said Cowdery shouldn't step down. She called him a friend and noted his years in the Legislature, his frail health, his recent absences, the few months he has left to serve. He is part of her leadership team.

"We have a man who has served many years, at the end of his career. I would just hope people would step back and be very thoughtful about that," Green said.

It's been rare for a sitting state legislator to be charged with corruption in Alaska. Kohring was the third and Cowdery is the fourth.

If convicted, Cowdery faces a penalty of up to 10 years in prison on the bribery count and a maximum of five years for conspiracy.

Daily News reporters Wesley Loy and Terry Carr contributed to this story. Find Lisa Demer online at adn.com/contact/ldemer or call 257-4390.

Charges against Cowdery

COUNT 1: Conspiracy to commit bribery and extortion. Prosecutors allege Cowdery conspired with executives of oil services company Veco Corp. to bribe state Sen. Donny Olson of Nome to keep oil taxes from going too high.

COUNT 2: Bribery. Prosecutors allege Cowdery offered to bribe Olson in exchange for his vote on the oil tax legislation.

Exxon plaintiffs pursue interest

SAFEGUARD: Lawyers file brief in an effort to prevent another appeal.

By ERIKA BOLSTAD

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WASHINGTON -- People owed money from the Exxon Valdez lawsuit have asked the U.S. Supreme Court to make it clear that they should receive interest payments, even though the court cut the punitive damages award last month from \$2.5 billion to \$507 million.

Lawyers for the fishermen and other plaintiffs in the case have calculated that interest will add up to about \$488 million, bringing the total amount owed by Exxon Mobil from the 1989 oil spill to nearly \$1 billion. Minus attorney fees, an estimated \$628 million will be divided among more than 32,000 plaintiffs.

The punitive damages were originally awarded in 1994 as punishment for Exxon's role in the spill, which leaked 11 million gallons of crude oil into the fishing waters of Prince William Sound.

Lawyers for the plaintiffs believe they're entitled to interest, but after so many years of wrangling with Exxon, they're just making sure, said Brian O'Neill, a Minnesota lawyer who represents the plaintiffs. He filed a brief with the Supreme Court earlier this week as a safeguard.

"It's to make sure that we don't make a technical mistake," O'Neill said. "It's just to make sure that we are clearly entitled to the interest ... and that we don't waive it. With this amount of money at stake, you use a belt and suspenders."

That doesn't mean they're not worried about Exxon, as they point out in their filings. "If past is prologue, there is real risk that Exxon would exploit any lack of clarity concerning interest to prolong this litigation still further," lawyers for the plaintiffs wrote.

Exxon has been cagey about whether it will appeal the interest owed in the case. A spokesman for the company wouldn't say whether Exxon plans to fight the interest payments.

Company lawyers are reading what the plaintiffs just filed and waiting for the case to be sent back to the appellate court in San Francisco, and, finally, to the U.S. District Court in Anchorage where it was first heard, said Exxon spokesman Tony Cudmore.

"I think we need to understand what the court will order on that question," Cudmore said. "We need to understand what the plaintiffs have asked for in their submission, we need to review that, and we need to understand the court's views. We will certainly comply with the final order."

But Cudmore also added: "Just to be clear, we are anxious to have the matter resolved. We've got no desire to delay a final outcome."

In this case, Exxon never disputed the district court's determination that the plaintiffs are entitled to interest dating back to the original judgment, O'Neill said in the brief filed this week with the Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court recessed at the end of June, but, according to its Web site, during the summer the justices continue to analyze new petitions for review, consider motions and applications, and prepare for cases scheduled for fall argument.

Courts have discretion in whether to award interest but usually do, said Paul Rothstein, a professor at Georgetown University Law Center. Federal court rules call for interest to be paid at a particular Federal Reserve rate available at the time of the award. In this case, it was 5.9 percent.

When deciding whether to award interest, judges take into account a number of factors, Rothstein said, such as how long the litigation went on and the recalcitrance of the people who own the money -- that is, whether they've been dragging the case out deliberately.

"The court can make a decision one way or the other whether interest will accrue, but generally, it does accrue," Rothstein said.

The Supreme Court issued its 5-3 opinion on June 25. The court held that in maritime cases punitive damages should be no more than the compensatory, or actual, damages. That 1-to-1 ratio, a new legal standard for punitive awards, applies only to punitive damages meted

out under maritime law. It was designed to address "the stark unpredictability of punitive awards," the court decided.

Former governors question TransCanada plan

HICKEL, KNOWLES: Both say their proposals make more sense.

By SEAN COCKERHAM

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(07/11/08 04:29:54)

While the state Legislature is in special session to decide whether to give TransCanada Corp. a license for a gas pipeline, two former governors are arguing doing so would be a big mistake.

Former Gov. Tony Knowles wants legislators to postpone the decision and have TransCanada negotiate with the oil companies that have their own pipeline project. Former Gov. Wally Hickel, meanwhile, is calling for the Legislature to reject the proposed license for TransCanada. He wants the state to build its own "all-Alaska" natural gas pipeline from the North Slope to Valdez.

Gov. Sarah Palin wants to give TransCanada the license and a \$500 million subsidy to pursue construction of the gas pipeline. Palin has said it is far more likely to be successful and lucrative than a standalone all-Alaska option.

But Hickel argues this is too important to be left in the hands of the Canadians.

"Why turn over control of a resource this valuable to a foreign country?" Hickel said in a written statement Thursday. "If TransCanada gets the license, they and their government will determine when it will be built, who gets the jobs, how much it will be taxed ... and how our gas will be used."

Hickel was co-chair of Palin's 2006 campaign for governor and said it's nothing personal.

"I admire Sarah. She is a caring leader and has done a great job. But on this issue, her advisors have taken her down the wrong road," Hickel said. "It's up to the Legislature to save her, save Alaska and save themselves from the worst decision of the 21st century."

Palin also says the TransCanada plan is better than the competing "Denali" project the oil

companies BP and Conoco Phillips are working on. Palin argues the TransCanada proposal includes guarantees that benefit the state -- such as shipping rates and timelines -- and doesn't leave Alaska at the mercy of the oil companies and what she expects will be their demands for tax breaks.

But BP and Conoco, unlike TransCanada, hold leases to the North Slope gas that is needed for the pipeline and aren't asking for a \$500 million subsidy. Knowles said what's needed is for the companies and TransCanada to unite in a single project.

That's what the state should focus on, he said, rather than committing to TransCanada.

"Let's start the negotiation now with all the parties. All the Legislature would have to do is put (the license decision) on hold, 90 days, 120 days, into next session," Knowles said Thursday at a Resource Development Council lunch. "Put it on hold and let's see how serious the parties are ... we'll save \$500 million in the process."

Collaboration could cut power bills

ENERGY: Study may outline future for Railbelt companies.

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Consolidating power generation and transmission duties at electrical utilities between Fairbanks and Homer could slice \$3.40 to \$11.10 a month from Railbelt customers' monthly bills, according to a state-commissioned study.

But so far, utility leaders haven't agreed to give up control of their assets, pool their debts and relinquish at least some of their autonomy to join a regional generation and transmission authority.

Kevin Harper with Washington-based energy consulting firm Black & Veatch presented a draft of the Railbelt Electrical Grid Authority study to an audience of mostly utility leaders Thursday in Anchorage.

The state Legislature commissioned the \$800,000 study in 2007.

Compared to the demands on Outside electrical providers, the 900 megawatts used by

Railbelt consumers is small. But the six utilities along its stretch operate independently, and many generate their own power. Combining would mean big changes to the way they operate.

Harper's proposal was compared Thursday to the Alaska Railroad Corp., a state corporation run by a governor-appointed board. He estimated that switching to a state-managed power authority would mean a drop of \$10 million to \$39 million in the yearly cost of providing power. The range depends on the type of fuel being used to generate power, he said.

Some in the audience said joining forces is the only way utilities can afford to build new power plants and upgrade an aging power transmission system.

"We can't afford our future. There are too many targets and, unfortunately, costs have exploded," said Bradley Evans, interim chief executive officer at Chugach Electric Association.

Many favored the plan but said they need more details before they or their ratepayers would be willing to join.

"I think it's in our best interest (to join), but we've got a long way to go," said Willard Dunham, vice-mayor of the city of Seward, which runs its own electrical utility.

Airlines are asking customers to help curb rise in oil prices
TARGET SPECULATORS: Frequent fliers requested to write Congress.

By HARRY R. WEBER
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ATLANTA -- The chief executive officers of a dozen U.S. airlines -- including Alaska Airlines -- beset by record fuel costs that have caused several to cut jobs, reduce capacity and impose higher fees on customers, are now asking for their customers' help to curb the rise of oil prices.

They have co-signed a letter being sent to frequent fliers of their respective carriers, asking customers to contact Congress about the problem of market speculation, which they believe is driving up the price of oil.

"This pain can be alleviated, and that is why we are taking the extraordinary step of writing this joint letter to our customers," the letter states. A copy was received by The Associated Press on Wednesday.

Lawmakers have cited the problems high fuel prices cause airlines, trucking companies, farmers and consumers in calling for restrictions on speculative trading.

Northwest Airlines Corp. Chief Executive Douglas Steenland urged lawmakers in June to close loopholes that allow traders to dodge U.S. speculation limits by trading on foreign exchanges or through over-the-counter transactions.

"Our highest priority is to tackle the overall price of fuel which is now 40 percent of our cost pie," Steenland told lawmakers. "Addressing excessive speculation is the most immediate remedy Congress could deliver."

The letter from the airlines acknowledges that oil prices are partly a response to normal market forces, prompting a need for the country to focus on increased energy supplies and conservation.

"However, there is another side to this story because normal market forces are being dangerously amplified by poorly regulated market speculation," the letter says.

The letter says speculators buy up large amounts of oil and then sell it to each other again and again. The price goes up with each trade and consumers pick up the final tab. Some market experts estimate that current prices reflect as much as \$30 to \$60 per barrel in unnecessary speculative costs, the letter says.

It adds that regulations established decades ago by Congress to control excessive market speculation have been weakened or removed over the years.

"We need your help," the letter to customers says. "Get more information and contact Congress."

It is signed by the CEOs of Northwest Airlines, AirTran Airways, Alaska Airlines, American Airlines, Continental Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Hawaiian Airlines, JetBlue Airways, Midwest Airlines, Southwest Airlines, United Airlines and US Airways.

Kevin Healy, senior vice president of marketing and planning for AirTran Airways, a subsidiary of AirTran Holdings Inc., said in an interview that while airlines often band together to address congestion and other issues, the letter is unique since it is a public appeal.

Oil industry seeking able workers

FUTURE NEEDS: A gas pipeline would require hundreds of new jobs.

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FAIRBANKS -- Oil industry officials in Alaska said they need to fill hundreds of jobs in preparation for more development on the North Slope and the Arctic Ocean and because of the aging work force.

A proposed natural gas pipeline, which could be the largest-ever construction project in North America, would place heavy demands on the oil industry's work force. Plus, existing infrastructure on the North Slope needs maintenance, said Mike Utsler, a senior vice president for BP who oversees the company's operations at Prudhoe Bay.

The oil and gas work force is also aging, with an estimated 40 percent of those in professional occupations eligible for retirement in the next seven years.

Utsler said the North Slope has a slightly younger work force, where those in mechanical and technical trades average between 48 and 51 years, and professional employees average 43 to 44 years.

BP Alaska has hired 600 people in the last 2 1/2 years, many of whom are recent graduates who could help offset anticipated retirements, Utsler said.

Fresh out of four years in the Air Force, Christy Cadle is hoping an oil and gas job will offer the chance to apply her engineering skills and to stay in Alaska.

She attended an industry career fair Wednesday at the Carlson Center sponsored by BP. About two dozen other companies, unions and training programs had booths hoping to attract potential employees.

Ryan Smith, recruiting coordinator for UAF's College of Engineering and Mines, said enrollment is up even over last year's high numbers. "There's a huge market in need of engineers, and there aren't that many engineers out there."

US Senate GOP drops ANWR

STEVENS ANGRY: He says energy solution must include Alaska.

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WASHINGTON — Senate Republicans have dropped the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge from their energy policy discussions, focusing instead on persuading Democrats to lift a moratorium on offshore drilling.

It's a move that has angered the longtime standard-bearer for drilling in ANWR, U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, who has vowed to put the issue back in front of his colleagues in the Senate.

"It's not off my table," Stevens said. "Unless you include Alaska in an energy solution, it's a non-solution."

The decision to drop the ANWR proposal comes as both the House and the Senate are considering legislation intended to respond to the rising cost of gasoline. The two chambers are considering a number of different proposals, including legislation that would clamp down on speculation in the oil commodities markets, which is suspected of forcing prices upward for consumers.

Other proposals include a push by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., to have President Bush release fuel from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. The government has stopped adding oil to the reserve, but advocates of releasing oil from the reserve say that would help drive down prices.

Recently, some Senate Democrats have suggested that they would be likely to support lifting the moratorium on offshore drilling. It's a shift that could lead to a compromise energy bill that satisfies Republicans who want more production, but also pleases Democrats who want it to focus on conservation and tax breaks for alternative and renewable energy proposals.

Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, said she was "disappointed" that fellow Republicans won't be pushing ANWR as they press forward with energy legislation to address high gasoline prices. Like Stevens, she'll be looking for ways to add ANWR in an amendment.

"Anything that we do when it comes to energy legislation, if it's going to pass this Senate and Congress, it must be bipartisan," she said. "ANWR is, of course, controversial, and they're looking for things that are noncontroversial. Well, if we could find something noncontroversial, we'd pass it tomorrow."

But Murkowski also said she favors a balanced energy bill that includes production, conservation and research into renewable and alternative fuels. And if the Senate comes up with a compromise bill that includes offshore drilling and some of those other goals, she would consider supporting it.

"I'm not going to say I can't do this because ANWR is not a piece of the solution," Murkowski said. "I've got to look at what we're trying to advance. But on the same hand, I'm not going to suggest we should continue to hold back on ANWR."

Senate Republican leaders say they remain supportive of drilling in ANWR, but that now is not the time when both parties are looking for a compromise that will help consumers. Democrats have told them that any energy package with ANWR in it pegs them as unwilling to compromise, and that they simply won't consider it, said Don Stewart, a spokesman for the Republican minority leader, Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky.

"It's something the Democrats have said they cannot do," Stewart said.

Republican presidential candidate Sen. John McCain also does not support drilling in ANWR, but has warmed up to offshore drilling.

It's a far different matter in the House, where U.S. Rep. Don Young has separate bill calling for drilling in ANWR. He has the support of top Republicans who consider ANWR "a big component of a broad, comprehensive strategy," said Kevin Smith, a spokesman for the House minority leader, Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio.

Later this month, Boehner will be leading a group of first-term House Republicans on an energy field trip to a renewable energy lab in Colorado and to ANWR.

"We will use every opportunity at our disposal to force a vote on ANWR and get Democrats on record as anti-American energy production," Smith said.

Young this week criticized Pelosi's proposal to release supplies from the strategic reserves and criticized the Democratic leadership for doing "everything it can to throw obstacles in the way of producing oil and gas from these vast, potentially energy-rich areas."

"It's time for Speaker Pelosi to stop trying to put tissue paper on hemorrhages and start producing a real solution for the American people," he said.

Young's ANWR legislation, which puts some profits from production into renewable resource research, has 167 co-sponsors. Of those, three are Democrats.

New Medicare rules a plus for Alaska doctors

A WIN FOR PATIENTS TOO: A 35 percent increase in rates paid to physicians.

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WASHINGTON -- Alaska doctors will be paid more than the national average under new Medicare rules passed by Congress this week, making it less likely they will stop seeing patients who rely on the government-backed health insurance for people older than 65.

The measure was supported by the entire Alaska congressional delegation, which had worked to get a 35 percent increase in the rates paid to doctors who accept Medicare patients.

"Medicare has only been paying about 40 percent of the costs for Alaska seniors," said Sen. Ted Stevens in a statement. "For years, they have struggled to get access to health care because these Medicare payments were insufficient. Those days should be over now."

In Alaska, the extra 35 percent helps compensate doctors who work in an expensive health care environment, said Dr. Thomas Vasileff, an orthopedic surgeon who is president of the Alaska State Medical Association.

Nationwide, the legislation keeps doctors from facing a 10 percent cut in their reimbursement rates. If Congress hadn't passed the new legislation, many medical groups had suggested that doctors would stop seeing Medicare patients altogether, because they would have lost money on the office visits.

President Bush is expected to veto the Medicare bill, but it is expected to become law anyway because it passed in both the House and Senate by veto-proof margins.

Helicopter helps douse Bicentennial Park fire

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ANCHORAGE -- Anchorage firefighters called out a state Division of Forestry helicopter Thursday afternoon to help douse a small but hard to reach brush fire in a heavily forested part of Far North Bicentennial Park.

According to the Anchorage Fire Department, the pilot of a private aircraft reported an unattended campfire about 12:15 p.m., burning about a half-mile from the intersection of Tudor and Elmore roads. The blaze was about a quarter-mile from the nearest parking area, and creeping toward the South Fork of Campbell Creek. It took firefighters about 10 minutes to hike in with hand tools and begin to dig a fire line.

They arrived to find the fire covering about a tenth of an acre and eating through a low-lying mix of spruce needles, birch leaves and ground vegetation, fire department spokeswoman Jen Klugh said. No homes were threatened.

The state helicopter made three water bucket drops of about 240 gallons each, and the fire was contained at about 1:50 p.m.

Klugh said in a written statement the fire was located in what looked like a homeless camp or recreation area.

Barn-door halibut grabs Homer derby lead

Californian catches 348.2-pounder that could be worth thousands

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Historically, Alaskans have been the luckiest anglers in the Homer Jackpot Halibut Derby, catching five of its last 10 winners.

Surprising? Probably not, considering Alaskans often know where to locate the mother lode of halibut and have more salt-water angling experience than most run-of-the-mill tourists.

But Californian Jeff Pardi isn't your average tourist. He brought his own gear to Alaska for his second lingcod trip in as many years in the Gulf of Alaska with Keith Kalke of Ocean Hunter Charters.

All Pardi needed was Kalke to transport him to a sandy pinnacle about 50 miles off the Homer shoreline that's known for abundant lingcod and an occasional trophy-size halibut.

"Captains know the backside of pinnacles have at least one hog," Kalke said. "So I tell clients, when you're fishing for lings, buy a derby ticket."

Targeting lingcod with jigs, Pardi hooked a monster halibut -- a 348.2-pounder that took more than an hour to land and could end up being worth thousands of dollars.

"It was an hour and 15 minutes of hell," Pardi said. "I was pretty beat afterwards."

But all the pain in his forearms and sweat that rolled off his forehead was worth the effort. He could become one filthy-rich angler.

'STILL ANYBODY'S GAME'

With 81 days remaining in the five-month derby, his first-place fish could win Alaska's longest running derby. The average weight for winning halibut is 323.5 pounds and the average payout is \$27,756.

The amount in this year's jackpot won't be known for months. Derby tickets cost \$2.50. Derby director Paula Frisinger said ticket sales are on par with last year when Jerry Saunders of Chugiak earned \$37,243 for his winning fish.

Though the derby started May 1, Frisinger said it's just starting to heat up. Last week, Steve Merson of Wisconsin caught a \$10,000 tagged halibut but went away penniless because he failed to purchase a derby ticket.

Then John Calvert Jr. took the lead with a 279.6-pounder a few days later, getting anglers and captains in Homer fired up, Frisinger said.

"It's only the beginning of July and our smallest fish on the board is 204 pounds," she said. "It's still anybody's game."

But for now, the top spot belongs to an Outside angler. If Pardi's 348.2-pounder holds the lead, he would become the fourth Californian to win the derby -- the most successful state other than Alaska, which has racked up 11 of the 22 derby winners.

Odds are also in Pardi's favor. His fish would rank fifth on the all-time list. Jerry Meinders of Minnesota holds the record for the biggest derby winner, a 376-pounder caught in 1996.

'GLUED TO THE GUNWALE'

On a rare bluebird day in the Gulf of Alaska where Kalke and his clients fished, the air was so warm and still that Pardi wore shorts and a T-shirt. The water was calm and glassy.

Only 45 minutes after Pardi dropped his jig 150 feet to the sea bottom, something massive struck the end of his line.

The halibut stripped yard after yard of Pardi's 100-pound-test line. But the 34-year-old braced himself against the railing and steadily cranked.

"He was glued to the gunwale," said Kalke, a five-year captain who would soon witness the biggest halibut a client of his has ever caught.

When the halibut surfaced, Kalke shot it with a slug, but it still took three gaffs and three anglers to haul the lunker onboard.

Laying flat on the deck, everyone thought the fish was dead. Then it started thrashing and all six clients found a safe corner to hide -- well all except Pardi.

"Jump on it! Jump on it!" Kalke yelled to Pardi.

He obeyed the captain's orders and gave the halibut a few good whacks.

Once they reached the Homer harbor, they put the big fish on the ground and Pardi couldn't help but jump on the eight-foot halibut again. But this time, he gave it a giant hug.

"I guess you'd say I was laying with the fishes," he said. "Just like the Godfather."

Interest develops in wood pellets for heat

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FAIRBANKS -- A state forestry official says he's fielded several inquiries from companies interested in producing wood pellets to be used for heat.

Doug Hanson, a Division of Forestry resource manager, said a forest inventory being conducted could help turn that idea into reality.

The Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation helped secure funding for the inventory.

Project manager Cassie Pinkel said the effort will help provide a sustainable supply of materials for businesses interested in energy projects including pellet plants.

Pellet plants often are set up near mills with lots of waste wood.

Pinkel also sees potential in black spruce, which could be culled from commercial harvest areas and clear-cuts.

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Alaska political leaders say Cowdery should step down

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JUNEAU -- Calls for state Sen. John Cowdery to resign rang out shortly after he was indicted Thursday on federal bribery and conspiracy charges
<http://media.newsminer.com/docs/cowdery_indict.pdf> .

Two of the loudest calls were made by members of Cowdery's own party, Republican Minority Leader Gene Therriault and Gov. Sarah Palin.

Therriault, who leads a five-person minority caucus that does not include Cowdery, reiterated his long call for Cowdery's resignation.

"This development adds to the complexity the Legislature faces to regain the public's

trust and confidence as we forge ahead in making one of the most important public policy decisions in the state's history," Therriault said in a prepared statement.

Lawmakers have just started their second consecutive special session on whether to approve TransCanada Corp.'s application for a license for the build a multibillion dollar natural gas pipeline line.

Palin urged him to step down "for the good of the state."

The charges Cowdery faces stem from alleged misdoing in 2006 - a time when such allegations would not have warranted attention from state authorities.

It took sweeping ethics reform last year to close that legal loophole which previously made it perfectly legal for a lobbyist to offer a campaign contribution in exchange for a vote on a lobbyist's bill.

"It's important that this loophole was closed," said Rep. Les Gara, who, along with fellow Anchorage Democrat Rep. Harry Crawford, proposed the change.

"This state can't rely on the federal government to come in and keep the state's house in order. We have to do this on our own as a sovereign state," Gara said.

Cowdery was in Juneau for gas pipeline hearings on Wednesday afternoon, but checked out of his Juneau hotel room early Thursday morning and flew back to Anchorage. His first court hearing is scheduled Aug. 11.

Sen. President Lyda Green, R-Wasilla, said people should not be quick to call for a resignation as Cowdery remains presumed innocent.

"The Legislature should not prematurely step in and take any action that would alter flavor or prejudice on anything that is ongoing," said Green, whose majority coalition includes nine Democrats and six Republicans - including Cowdery.

Cowdery, who is not seeking re-election, has fought various illnesses the last two years, missing large chunks of this year's regular legislative session.

During his absence, Cowdery did step down from the powerful position of Rules Chairman. Sen. Gary Stevens, R-Kodiak, took over and yielded his majority leader post to Sen. Johnny Ellis, D-Anchorage.

Cowdery returned to Juneau in time to vote on the most important bills such as education funding and the budget.

Green said she saw no reason for him to abstain from voting on the gas pipeline proposal or the energy relief bills being heard this month should he be in town to vote.

"I see no connection (in the charges) to anything that is before us," Green said. "It doesn't help your health when you go through these things, this kind of scrutiny."

The federal indictment did cause a stir in what are otherwise staid pipeline hearings.

Lawmakers were seen passing around BlackBerry phones with news alerts announcing the indictment and later copies of the 16-page document.

Denali president put in hot seat over natural gas pipeline commitment

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JUNEAU — Denali's commitment to its natural gas pipeline project and its willingness to accommodate the state's wishes were the two main issues Thursday when company president Bud Fackrell addressed state lawmakers.

The Legislature is considering whether or not to issue an exclusive state license to Canadian pipeline builder TransCanada under the Alaska Gasline Inducement Act. But North Slope producers ConocoPhillips and BP are pursuing their own project outside AGIA through a joint-venture called Denali — The Alaska Gas Pipeline.

Lawmakers tried to gauge Denali's commitment to the project.

"I don't have any comfort at all in the ads I see," said Rep. Carl Gatto, a Republican from Palmer. "They look good, but they have no substance to them. I want to see the action plan."

Fackrell responded by saying he did have a plan. Denali plans to spend \$40 million on field work this year and \$600 million during the next few years to develop a detailed cost estimate and solicit shipping commitments from gas producers, he said.

"I'm not asking you to trust us, I'm asking you to watch me," he added. "We're not going to spend \$600 million in three years for an advertising campaign."

Lawmakers also questioned Fackrell about Denali's willingness to commit to the various "must-have" requirements spelled out in AGIA. BP and ConocoPhillips did not apply under AGIA and described the requirements as too restrictive.

Fackrell said Denali would meet some of the requirements, including holding an open season, when the company will seek interest from shippers; offering lower shipping rates in Alaska than in Canada; and soliciting interest from gas producers in pipeline expansions every two years.

He did not commit to voluntarily expanding the pipeline when there is sufficient interest or to using a financing mechanism required in AGIA aimed at keeping shipping tolls low. Even where Fackrell did commit, lawmakers questioned the nature of the promise.

Sen. Kim Elton, a Democrat from Juneau, noted that Fackrell's verbal commitments weren't backed up by any kind of contract, as TransCanada's would be, and suggested the company put its commitments into its ads.

Sen. Bill Wielechowski, an Anchorage Democrat, asked if Fackrell was willing to put its promises in writing, with penalties for breaking them.

Fackrell responded by pointing to the work already underway and planned for the next few years, adding, "I have a project plan."

At times, Fackrell deferred questions to Denali's parent companies. When asked about changes in the state's taxes and royalties sought in connection with the project, Fackrell

said Denali would not seek concessions as a pipeline builder, but added that BP and ConocoPhillips would seek them as gas producers.

Fackrell did not explicitly urge lawmakers to deny TransCanada a state license under AGIA, but expressed concerns that doing so could stall Denali's project and limit the state's ability to provide the necessary fiscal terms.

He warned that backing TransCanada could jeopardize the pipeline project, but promised that Denali would push forward even if lawmakers approved the license.

"We're committed to move forward," he said. "Whatever decision you make here, Denali will continue to go."

Lawmakers offered different reactions to the testimony.

Sen. Bert Stedman, a Republican from Sitka, said the presentation demonstrated Denali was a viable project and not a "flim-flam company put in place with alternative motives."

Wielechowski, on the other hand, argued the Denali push amounted to "Conoco and BP's attempt to negotiate fiscal terms."

He added that the commitments Fackrell refused to make were "some of the really critical ones," such as voluntarily expanding the pipeline and using the financing structure called for in AGIA.

Local lawmakers said the testimony didn't diminish their support for TransCanada's project.

Rep. Mike Kelly, a Republican from Fairbanks, pointed to TransCanada's record of low tariffs and said he was convinced the producers were seeking control rather than the lowest cost pipeline.

Sen. Gene Therriault, a North Pole Republican, said he was still concerned about producer control of the pipeline and the lack of firm commitments.

"They didn't have to ask permission to start Denali and they won't have to ask our permission to stop it," he said.

Alaska Alcoholic Beverage Control Board postpones Fairbanks liquor store decision

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FAIRBANKS — The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board will postpone its decision to approve or deny a liquor license for Patrick Kohls' proposed Mighty Dollar liquor and grocery store planned for South Cushman Street.

Kohls' liquor store and grocery was already denied a liquor license by the city of Fairbanks this past March when four council members — John Eberhart, Tonya Brown, Chad Roberts and Bernard Gatewood — declined a motion to waive the city's protest of a liquor license for Kohls.

Fairbanks Mayor Terry Strle defended the council's decision to the ABC Board on Thursday morning.

"The community spoke clearly that they don't want another liquor store in that part of town," Strle said.

Police Chief Dan Hoffman and more than a dozen residents of South Fairbanks expressed their concerns at the March 24 City Council meeting saying they opposed the new store due to the existing heavy traffic of alcohol-related activity up and down South Cushman Street and the possible impact on the housing market in the neighborhood.

Both Kohls and Larry Hackenmiller spoke in favor of another liquor store and grocery in South Fairbanks at the ABC Board meeting and said another liquor store wouldn't change the current chronic inebriate situation in town.

Kohls said he got support from the local community for the addition of a grocery store in the area, but alcohol sales would be needed to support the business.

"It's important that we understand this decision to the fullest, as vested community members' opinions should govern this, and we want to make a valid decision," said Shirley Gifford, ABC Board member.

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Industry's copper claims questioned

Cruise line group's metal counts too high, water engineers say

An element of the Alaska Cruise Association's argument for relaxed wastewater discharge regulations is based on numbers an industry watchdog calls misleading.

If cruise lines want to dump wastewater into Alaska waters, they must comply with a slew of new limits on effluents by 2010. The industry group has said it can't meet the limits for copper, nickel, zinc and cadmium, and has appealed.

Copper has been a particularly sore point, because copper levels in port communities' drinking water are high - and that's drinking water the cruise ships buy and then have to filter before they discharge it.

Under the permit, "cruise ships would be violating the permit were they to simply to take aboard and then discharge water that is deemed safe for consumption by residents of Juneau, Ketchikan, Skagway, Haines and Sitka," according to a presentation made by Alaska Cruise Association president John Binkley in February.

In a chart, Binkley presents copper levels in Southeast ports' drinking water, ranging between 237 and 879 parts per billion, and compares them to the wastewater standard cruise ships will have to meet by 2010: 3.1 parts per billion.

Since cruise ships buy that drinking water from ports, that would mean they'd have to reduce the copper in the water by at least 99 percent.

"You can't take a glass of tap water from a home onto a cruise ship and pour it overboard," Binkley said in an interview. "To me, that's unreasonable. Your drinking water does not meet that standard for copper."

But while data is spotty, there may be a lot less copper in water going to cruise ships than Binkley's chart suggests, said water engineers at several ports.

"Data collected from the customer tap program is of no value with respect to cruise ship discharge permitting," said Tim Gladden, Skagway water superintendent. "Reviewing an informational document published by the Alaska Cruise Association, the residential values appear to have been used. The use of the wrong information in the chart is great for drama, however, of no relevance."

That's because the DEC readings Binkley cited measure the corrosion of local pipes, not the natural concentration of copper in the water cruise ships buy. DEC takes readings at houses with particularly old, corroded copper pipes after the water has sat in the pipes all night leaching copper. Readings have ranged since 1999 from 72 to 940 parts per billion at the most contaminated taps.

But water engineers can also flush out the system and take a reading on water coming through those taps that hasn't had a chance to sit and leach copper. Those readings are likely to be closer to the natural level of copper in the water—and closer to the copper cruise ships are taking aboard, because the water ships buy comes through concrete, not copper pipes.

The last flush reading for Ketchikan came in at 41 parts per billion, according to Dave Johnston, Ketchikan Public Utilities water division foreman.

Gerшон Cohen, an industry watchdog in Haines, said filtering from 41 to 3 doesn't seem like such a hardship.

"That's very different from having to go from 878 to 3," said Cohen.

Cohen co-wrote the ballot initiative voters passed in 2006 that required DEC to issue the cruise ship's new permit, and he opposes the industry's appeal.

In an e-mail to DEC officials, he wrote he was convinced "that ACA is grossly misrepresenting the situation to convince people they are being sold water that is extremely high in (copper)."

The situation is echoed in Skagway, whose drinking water Binkley's chart lists at 700 parts per billion. Gladden said the naturally occurring concentration of copper isn't measured often; at the last sampling, in 2001, it was 119 parts per billion.

Binkley said he knew the DEC water tests don't accurately portray the copper levels in the water that ends up on the cruise ships. He said cruise lines were now in the process of collecting data and so far only had "preliminary" results.

Incidentally, none of the high copper values for port drinking water violate their own drinking water standard, which is much higher: 1,300 parts per billion.

Wastewater copper limits are more stringent than drinking water ones for a good reason, said DEC water quality division chief Jim Powell. Fish are a lot more sensitive to copper than people are. As an example of why, Lowell said, new University of Washington studies have found that salmon homing devices are disoriented by trace amounts of copper in the water.

DEC cruise ship program manager Denise Koch said she's interested in how much copper goes aboard cruise ships because it may affect what sort of technology the ships have to use to get it down to 3.1 parts per billion.

But in one sense, it doesn't matter to DEC whether the copper going aboard is 940 parts per billion or 41.

"The impact on the permit limit is this: The permit limit stays the same," she said.

State legislator Rep. Max Gruenberg, D-Anchorage, was one of those targeted for persuasion on a cruise ship junket in mid-June.

He saw the chart in Binkley's presentation, and gleaned that the cruise ship was being held to much more stringent standards than the port communities themselves.

"If it's the case that it was too stringent to be reasonable, then I'd be willing to take a look at it (in the Legislature)," he said.

But he did not know that even though the drinking water copper levels were much higher, they were within the limits for drinking water.

Upon learning that, he said, "That's comparing apples to oranges ... I had no idea one was drinking water and the other was wastewater."

"That takes the conversation to a different level," he said.

Airport has new weapon to fight noxious weeds

Aquatic weed harvester slices plants, off loads them on the pond's shore

In the fight against weeds growing in the airport's pond used by floatplanes, the weeds came out on top in previous years.

Airport manager Dave Palmer said staff tried herbicide, an underwater cable towed by a boat and a homemade rake deployed by a backhoe without much success.

The unwelcome weeds can get tangled up in the steering controls of the float planes and they also attract unwanted water fowl near the planes, Palmer said. But they may have met their match in the airport's latest weapon in the war: a 20-year-old aquatic weed harvester.

The harvester floats on a small barge and is powered by two paddle wheels. Its front looks somewhat like a bulldozer, with blades that slice up the weeds and a conveyer belt that sends them to the rear of the machine, to be offloaded on the pond's shore.

One person sits on top of the machine to steer and control the machine's cutting blades.

"It's not real complicated," said airport staffer Norman Hales as he was tying up the machine Thursday after unloading what looked like several pounds of weeds.

Palmer said the machine is working far better than previous years' efforts to eradicate weeds in the pond.

"It's satisfying. It's like mowing the lawn," he said. "You can see it coming up."

The machine has been in use for about a month, Palmer said. He said the used machine cost \$17,500, compared to \$120,000 for a new one.

Next year, construction plans call for dredging the pond, Palmer said. The two-year process will make the pond deeper, and Palmer said he hopes it will mean less weeds.

But if there's still a need for the harvester, Palmer said he'll keep it around. If not, he said he plans to sell it.

KETCHIKAN DAILY NEWS

Borough, city discuss issues

By LEILA KHEIRY

Daily News Staff Writer

While taking no action Wednesday evening, the Ketchikan City Council and Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assembly discussed a variety of topics and came to agreement on ways to move forward with some, including forming an advisory committee to help facilitate the planned new Ketchikan Public Library building.

Public comment Wednesday focused on the library. Susan Fisher of the Friends of the Library citizen organization told the elected officials that a new library was long overdue in Ketchikan, and was a critical need for residents throughout the borough.

She said obtaining state and private funding will require both government agencies to identify the library as a community priority.

"We absolutely have to be together on this issue," she said.

Fisher asked those in the audience at the Ted Ferry Civic Center who supported a new library to raise signs that read, "New library now," and at least a dozen people waved the small pink placards in the air. About three dozen people were in the audience Wednesday.

Library employee Kelly Johnson also spoke, and specifically addressed the lack of program space, particularly for Ketchikan's youth. Johnson, who works with the library's Teen Advisory Group, said a new library would allow Ketchikan to show teens they are valued members of the community.

Susan Peters of the Downtown Steering Committee citizen organization reiterated the need for a new library located in the downtown area. She also supported future improvements at Ketchikan General Hospital, and said areawide support of that facility should continue.

Peters added that the city and borough need to work together to plan for Ketchikan's economic future. Some improvements have been made, she said, but "much work needs to be done yet."

Another Downtown Steering Committee member, Todd Phillips, agreed with Peters and added that the community needed to focus on ways to attract more year-round business in the

downtown area. He also pointed out that, while Ketchikan now has more cruise ship berth space than ever, the actual time ships spend in port is relatively short, which affects how much visitors spend here.

The library was one of the issues on the agenda Wednesday, with the city asking whether and how the borough could contribute to funding the new building, estimated to cost between \$10 million and \$13 million.

City Mayor Bob Weinstein said, "We're in a perfect position to move this project forward" if the two governments worked together.

He suggested an advisory steering committee that would work directly with staff and the architects, with representatives from the Council, the Friends of the Library, citizens at large and Assembly members.

The committee would "help guide the process so we can end up with a building ... that reflects the wishes of the entire community," even though the library, technically, is a city project, Weinstein said.

He added that the state established a library building program to fund 50 percent of municipal library project costs. Although no money has been allocated to that program yet, he said, the sooner Ketchikan gets its request in, the better.

Assembly Member John Harrington asked what method the borough could use to help with funding.

Borough Attorney Scott Brandt-Erichsen said there were several options. The borough could provide an annual appropriation to the city, increase the nonareawide tax, or ask nonareawide borough voters - those who live outside city limits - to approve a bond. The latter two would not include Saxman, he said, but that community could participate through an intergovernmental agreement.

Assembly Member Jim Shoemaker expressed concern about the cost of the proposed library, planned to be built on the former Main School site on Grant Street. He suggested the city consider renovating portions of White Cliff that will be available after the borough offices are complete. He said that would save money and could move the project forward more quickly.

Assembly Member Dave Kiffer asked why White Cliff was rejected as a possible site earlier.

Tim Whiteley of Welsh Whiteley Architects, the local firm working on the library project, said the floor structure of White Cliff would have to be reinforced to support the library's book collection, and the space available - about 16,000 square feet - would fall short of the current plan, which calls for a library between 23,000 and 27,000 square feet.

Council Member Sam Bergeron said he was "intrigued" by Shoemaker's suggestion, and he hoped the Council would reconsider White Cliff as a more economical library site.

Assembly Member Glen Thompson disagreed. He said the borough planned to move into White Cliff in January, and that would be delayed if White Cliff became a new option for the library. That delay would cost money, he said, and considering a new library site would set the library project back, as well.

The two bodies also discussed funding for the upcoming KGH master plan, due in fall. The anticipated improvements in the plan, if implemented in full, are expected to cost about \$50 million over 20 years, said City Manager Karl Amylon, and in light of Gov. Sarah Palin's recent veto of state money for the proposed surgical suite renovation, it's unclear whether state funding will be available.

Amylon said the hospital serves everyone in the borough, so it was reasonable to ask residents areawide to contribute to its improvement projects. The city has proposed that the borough establish a 1 percent nonareawide sales tax dedicated to hospital maintenance and improvements.

Thompson said one reason the proposed consolidation of the city and borough failed was that residents outside city limits didn't want their taxes to go up. However, he said, the hospital is an areawide concern and he wouldn't oppose placing such a question on the ballot.

Bergeron said residents already have a high tax burden, and he didn't think there would be much support for another tax.

Kiffer said that, obviously, the city needs money for the project, and asked what Bergeron suggested as an alternate solution.

Bergeron said he didn't have an idea at that point, but limited funding means the city and borough should prioritize community projects.

Also Wednesday, Amylon updated the elected officials on the city's planned Water Street sidewalk widening project, which has been delayed at least a year due to state Department of Transportation concerns over federal historic preservation regulations.

Amylon said DOT officials told him the city needed to conduct a \$60,000 study of Newtown before the project could move forward. He said he had scheduled a teleconference between his office, DOT and federal highway officials to clear up the issue.

Kiffer, who is the executive director of Historic Ketchikan, said the city shouldn't blame the historic preservation regulations. DOT likely was misinterpreting the regulations to delay the project, he said, because the state agency was "clearly uninterested" in projects related to Tongass Highway. He offered his help to the city.

Water Street is part of Tongass Highway, which is a state road.

The two bodies briefly discussed ways to use the borough's portion of the state's cruise ship passenger tax, which can be used only for projects that directly relate to cruise ship visitors.

Borough Planning Director Tom Williams said the funds could be used to pay for part of a downtown parking garage, because parking arguably has been affected by the cruise industry.

Williams also detailed ongoing planning within city limits. Parking was a main point in his presentation, and Williams said adequate parking was needed for economic growth and public safety. He said he moved to Ketchikan in November, and quickly noted that parking in downtown was an issue.

"I feel like I've partly funded the new library through my parking tickets," he said.

Parking in Newtown also is needed, he said, and the borough has identified potential public parking space north of the tunnel next to the Keene and Currall office building, and behind First City Saloon. Even with that, he said, development of Berth IV could increase the need for parking in Newtown, so more planning is needed.

The two bodies also briefly discussed a city request that the state transfer to the city ownership of uplands connected to Knudson Cove and Hole-in-the-Wall harbors, both outside of city limits. The state asked the borough to weigh in on the request, and Borough Manager Dan Bockhorst recommended that the Assembly approve it, as long as access easements were provided to private property owners next to the uplands.

Thompson expressed concern that the transfer would create an "enclave" of city property far outside city limits. He said the tidelands belong to the borough, and, logically, the uplands should, as well.

Borough Mayor Joe Williams said that might create a new issue.

"I don't think we want to do that, because (the city) may want us to manage the harbors," he said.

All the public harbors in Ketchikan formerly were managed by the state, but in the last few years, DOT transferred ownership to the city. The city initially resisted taking Knudson Cove and Hole-in-the-Wall, but eventually agreed to take the two harbors rather than allow them to shut down.

Thompson asked whether the city would ask the borough take over the harbors if the

Assembly didn't agree to the land transfer.

Amylon said if the borough owned both the tidelands and the uplands, it would be logical for the borough to also run the two harbors.

Council Member Dick Coose said he thought the borough should own the uplands, and Harrington agreed. Kiffer, however, said the officials were "stepping off a mini cliff" and making an issue out of what should be a simple matter.

"Why must we always open a can of worms that doesn't need to be opened?" Kiffer said.

Weinstein said he looked forward to hearing the Assembly's decision on the uplands question.

During Council and Assembly comments, officials from both bodies agreed that another joint meeting should be scheduled. Coose suggested six months, Bergeron suggested sooner, and Mayor Williams suggested Oct. 9.

The officials were asked to provide available dates so another joint meeting could be scheduled.

School Board OKs contract

By LYLE GOULDING

Daily News Staff Writer

A new contract for the Independent Maintenance Association and a report about water problems at Fawn Mountain Elementary School were two of the issues before the Ketchikan School Board at its regular meeting on Wednesday.

The board approved a contract for the maintenance association, 5-2, which will give the 13 members of the group a 4 percent salary increase during each of the next three years. Board members Carl Webb and Michael Fitzgerald voted no.

Webb expressed disappointment in the lack of random drug testing included in the contract.

"We have electricians, plumbers, we have people who drive vehicles and use heavy equipment. As far as I know every (Ketchikan Gateway) Borough entity that has anyone dealing with any maintenance equipment all have a random drug testing program," Webb said. "I see it as for the safety of the district, to protect us. I see it as a safety measure

for the children in our schools. I am not in support of this (contract)."

Webb also pointed out that a warning notice form in the contract included a warning for, among other things, "being under the influence of alcohol."

Webb said that being under the influence should result in immediate termination.

"I've been talking about alcohol and substance abuse in this community as much as I can and I just think it's terrible that we are going to go into an agreement with an entity of this government that doesn't have a safety random testing program," Webb said.

The warning form would be handed out by an employee's supervisor when one of the violations occurred.

During discussion of the motion, Fitzgerald agreed with Webb on the issue of drug testing. He added that the 12 percent increase, over three years, might be higher than the market in Ketchikan should allow.

Board member Matt Olsen defended the raise, saying that percentage increases in some City of Ketchikan employees' salaries were much higher during their last rate adjustment.

The contract with the maintenance association takes effect retroactively on July 1 and expires on June 30, 2011.

Superintendent Robert Boyle spoke to the board about water-pressure issues causing problems at Fawn Mountain Elementary School.

There isn't enough water pressure in the building to meet minimum fire code standards for a building with a sprinkler system.

On Tuesday, Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assistant Manager Cynna Gubatayao sent a letter to Boyle outlining the problem.

According to the letter, minimum standards are 1,500 gallons per minutes. Monday's flow at the school was 813 gallons per minute.

The last time the building's pressure was checked, on Jan. 16, 2007, the flow was 2,127 gallons per minute.

Boyle said on Wednesday that the exact problem with the lessened flow had not been discovered, but the borough continued to work to find the solution.

The only scheduled activity in the school during the summer months is a summer library on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Boyle said that program will continue, with increased rules in place.

"They are allowed to continue that program as long as we implement some precautions," Boyle said. "Any suspicion of fire is not to be investigated, they are to call 911 or pull the alarm immediately."

According to Gubatayao's letter, there was a fire watch at Fawn Mountain on Monday and Tuesday. Someone was at the building throughout the nights.

Boyle said he didn't know whether the fire watch was continuing. South Tongass Volunteer Fire Department chief Scott Davis referred all questions to borough management when called for details Wednesday night.

Borough Manager Dan Bockhorst said in a telephone interview Wednesday night that he didn't know whether the fire continued on Wednesday. He said fire officials were "appropriately concerned" with the issues surrounding the pressure problems.

He said the borough would continue to quickly resolve the water pressure issues.

"I am confident that we are being responsible on this," Bockhorst said. "We're in the stage of trying to confirm that there is a problem and how to deal with it as quickly as we can."

Boyle said the issue must be resolved before school begins in August.

In other business the board unanimously approved:

- An updated Internet acceptable use policy. The policy pertains to student and staff use of the Internet on district computers and Internet connections.
- Establishment of an insurance committee among district employees in the first reading about the policy change. The committee will help allocate funds when the insurance reserve account is more than \$400,000. The policy regarding the committee will be back before the board another time for final approval.
- A memorandum of understanding with OceansAlaska Marine Science Center. The memorandum states that the district will endorse the center as a local partner in educating Ketchikan's youth.

The next regular meeting of the Ketchikan School Board is set for July 23.

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Producer's pipeline plan under scrutiny in Juneau

by Rebecca Palsha

Thursday, July 10, 2008

JUNEAU, Alaska -- Hearings on a natural gas pipeline continued in Juneau Thursday.

Bud Fackrell, president of the Denali pipeline project, a joint venture between BP and Conoco Phillips, found himself on the hot seat for most of the morning.

Lawmakers seemed skeptical about how serious the two oil giants are about the project.

Fackrell insisted the companies are spending millions of dollars to make it a reality.

Lawmakers also had questions about the company's initial approach.

"Why did you not apply for a license under AGIA?," said Rep. Bob Lynn, R-Anchorage. "Which one of those must-haves may have prevented you from applying under AGIA? Why did Denali decide not to follow the state process approved by the Legislature?"

"What they told me was under the terms of AGIA they did not believe it was a viable way to move the project forward," Fackrell said.

He says the company still does not have offices in Anchorage, although he says he hopes to nail that down any day now.

Study connects campaign funds to victory

by Jason Moore

Thursday, July 10, 2008

ANCHORAGE, Alaska -- An Alaska watchdog group says the latest corruption indictment provides yet another reason to support its Clean Elections legislation.

The Alaska Public Interest Research Group sponsors ballot measure 3, which will appear on the August primary ballot.

AKPIRG recently conducted a "Campaign Finance and Incumbency Study" and the results were made public Thursday.

The study found that those lawmakers who raise the most money win in most instances.

It also shows that once a candidate is elected to the Alaska Legislature it's tough to get them out of office even if the opponent is more qualified.

The study covered data from 2000 through 2006.

Former governor stands strong against AGIA

by Jason Moore

Thursday, July 10, 2008

ANCHORAGE, Alaska -- In 2006, former Gov. Wally Hickel co-chaired Sarah Palin's campaign.

On Thursday, he urged lawmakers to vote against Palin's pick for a gas line developer.

Hickel says going with TransCanada and a pipeline through Canada would be a mistake.

Hickel says he wants to see the state build and own an all-Alaska pipeline from Prudhoe Bay to Valdez, where it would export liquefied natural gas to the West Coast and Asia.

The Palin administration says the pipeline through Canada is the best deal for Alaska. But Hickel hopes lawmakers vote otherwise.

"You people got to believe that it's good. I go on the street and people say, 'Well, that pipeline is going to cost so much money.' I don't care if it costs a dollar or a thousand-billion we're going to make all kinds of money on that pipeline," Hickel said. "It's like they said, don't build a Captain Cook Hotel, two rooms is enough, three rooms is enough. You got to think big and it pays for itself."

Officials with the Palin administration say they're disappointed Hickel isn't supporting TransCanada.

News Minute: Here is the latest Alaska news from The Associated Press

Associated Press - July 11, 2008 10:44 AM ET

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) - State Senator John Cowdery's lawyer says his client is innocent of bribery and conspiracy charges. Cowdery, an Anchorage Republican, has been indicted by a grand jury in the ongoing federal investigation of corruption in Alaska politics. Government attorneys say Cowdery conspired with former VECO Corp. executives to bribe an unnamed state senator for his vote for a new oil tax proposed in 2006.

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) - A cruise ship that went aground in Glacier Bay last week took on water while heading to Ketchikan for repairs. The Spirit of Glacier Bay was diverted to Wrangell for repairs. Divers and inspectors will look at the vessel today.

WASHINGTON (AP) - House Democrats have reserved millions of dollars worth of television advertising in 31 congressional races in all corners of the country. The list includes 19 seats currently in Republican hands, from Connecticut to Alaska, with two each in Ohio and New Mexico. In all, the documentation obtained by The Associated Press shows the DCCC has reserved nearly \$35 million in advertising to begin in September and October.

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) - An executive for the Denali pipeline project says the venture is not a publicity stunt. Bud Fackrell is the executive for the joint venture by oil giants BP PLC and ConocoPhillips. Fackrell told state lawmakers yesterday (Thursday) that the project is the real deal. But some lawmakers aren't so sure and let him hear about it during legislative hearings on Gov. Sarah Palin's gas line proposal. Denali is a competing project to Palin's preferred choice: that proposed by TransCanada Corp. under the state's Alaska Gasline Inducement Act.

News Minute: No winds yet...Oil way up...Exports are too

Associated Press - July 11, 2008 10:03 AM ET

PARADISE, Calif. (AP) - There's an unexpected break for firefighters in the Sierra Nevada foothills of California. Some strong winds that were expected today haven't materialized yet. To the north, residents in the Spokane (spoh-KAN') Valley of Washington state have fled a fire that destroyed eight houses.

DETROIT (AP) - Family members say the bodies of Army soldiers Sergeant Alex Jimenez and Private Byron Fouty (FOW'-tee) have been found in Iraq. Those two and another who is already confirmed dead were kidnapped in May of last year after they were ambushed south of Baghdad.

(AP) - Oil prices are spiking again to end the week, reaching nearly \$147 a barrel today. Tensions in Iran and violence in Nigeria have helped ratchet up the price. The higher oil prices, along with troubles at mortgage companies Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, are sending stocks lower. The Dow lost more than 100 points in the first few minutes.

WASHINGTON (AP) - The United States' trade deficit narrowed in May as exports climbed to all-time highs. The gap was down 1.2%, even though imports also reached record highs thanks in part to high oil prices. Forecasters were expecting the gap to widen.

WASHINGTON (AP) - House Democrats plan to spend millions of dollars on television ads in 31 congressional races scattered around the country this fall. The list of targets includes 19 seats that are currently held by Republicans.

PENINSULA CLARION

Cruise ships now handling trash 1 piece at a time

By PHIL HERMANEK Peninsula Clarion

With one of its main focuses being the environment, the \$1.35 billion cruise industry is now physically handling each and every piece of trash with an eye toward recycling, according to an Alaska Cruise Association executive.

President John Binkley told Soldotna business leaders on Tuesday most of the waste generated on cruise ships plying Alaska waters is off-loaded in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, and "66 percent of the waste is recyclable."

The three main focuses of the cruise industry in Alaska are economics, environment and community relations, Binkley said, and new, more stringent regulations make dropping garbage off the back of the ship a thing of the past.

Binkley said cruise ship crew members now collect all the ship's trash, separate it as selectively as sorting out different colors of glass, and ready it for off-loading and recycling.

Some innovative ways of handling cruise ship trash are now being sought after by municipalities, according to Binkley. One such device is a "bulb eater," he said, describing a program for safe disposal of fluorescent light bulbs.

The tubes are inserted into a drum and hazardous chemicals including mercury are stripped from the tube as it is crushed. The glass can then be safely recycled, Binkley said.

He also said waste water regulations passed in 2002 by the Alaska Legislature are "the most stringent regulations in the world."

Following a \$400 million investment, cruise ships now have "the best water treatment systems in the state," which enable ships to treat water to a level that it can be continually discharged.

One measure of treated water quality is presence of fecal coliform, Binkley said.

"Cruise ships are held to 14 colonies of fecal coliform per milliliter," he said.

As a comparison, he said the city of Kenai limit is 200 colonies per milliliter; in Soldotna it's 100; and in Seward, the limit is 50,000 colonies per milliliter.

Binkley said cruise ships create far lower volumes of waste water than municipalities,

mainly due to the cost of purchasing the water from port cities and the cost of treating it.

In terms of the amount of copper present in discharged water, Binkley said cruise ships are held to standards much more severe than municipalities.

Interestingly, he said cruise ships in Alaska buy water from cities such as Ketchikan with a copper content of 878.47 parts per billion, but are not allowed to discharge water with more than 3.1 ppb.

"What that means is, if I take a glass of drinking water and pour it into the ocean from the ship, I'm doing something illegal," Binkley said.

A former riverboat captain and gubernatorial candidate, Binkley said another of the association's focuses is economics.

He said the industry employs 14,500 people in Alaska and generates \$565 million in labor and \$120 million in state revenue in addition to purchasing \$4.3 million worth of Alaska seafood to serve to passengers in state.

In 2007, the cruise industry directly spent \$13.1 million in the Kenai Peninsula Borough. The 160,000 passengers who visited the borough spent \$11 million and the cruise lines spent \$2.1 million.

To enhance the industry's economics as they pertain to Alaska, Binkley said efforts are being made to serve produce from the Matanuska-Susitna Valley on board cruise ships, and to get more businesses active with shore-side commerce.

"We've produced a video to teach small businesses how to become more active," Binkley said.

The association will be conducting a ship environmental tour Aug. 22, aboard the Radiance in Seward. Binkley invited Soldotna Chamber of Commerce members to sign up for the tour, which will give them a rare behind-the-scenes look at a ship's trash processing and recycling system.

Nikiski fire station funds move ahead

By Hal Spence | Peninsula Clarion

A state grant worth nearly \$3.4 million targeting a project to build a new fire station in Nikiski cleared all but the last legislative hurdle at Tuesday's Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly meeting.

Ordinance 2008-19-01 was approved for introduction by the assembly and set for a public hearing on Aug. 5.

Nikiski Fire Station No. 2 is 37 years old and inadequate for community emergency response, according to Nikiski Fire Service Chief James Baisden.

"Renovation of the existing structure is cost prohibitive due to existing electrical and plumbing issues, such as water drainage, leaking roofs, and rotting structural supports," he told the assembly in a memo June 26. "The original structure was built as a community center for Nikiski and was never designed or built to properly handle equipment and personnel to serve the community emergency medical and fire response needs."

The borough requested the state funding and the Legislature included the \$3.375 million in the FY 2009 capital budget signed by Gov. Sarah Palin on May 9.

Capital Projects Director Kevin Lyon said Wednesday that the borough was looking at a couple of possible sites and doing some preliminary environmental work on those. Once started, he said, the project would take about a year to complete both design and construction.

Just when the project might proceed once the assembly acts to formally accept and appropriate the grant will depend on the outcome of another ordinance that would eliminate grant funds from the calculation of a project cost with regard to the \$1 million spending cap that now prevents the assembly from approving expenditures in excess of that amount without a public vote.

If that difficulty is addressed, design work could begin in August, Lyon said. If a public vote were required first, the delay would put the project well into the fall.

The measure of concern is Ordinance 2008-17 (substitute), introduced by Assemblyman Gary Superman and Borough Mayor John Williams last month, which got the first of two public hearings Tuesday. The second is scheduled for Aug. 5.

That ordinance would alter the effect of a 2005 citizen initiative that capped the amount the assembly could spend without a public vote at \$1 million. It was backed by the Alliance of Concerned Taxpayers (ACT) and approved by voters by a narrow margin of 140 votes. It also required a 60-percent majority approval by the electorate before the assembly could expend in excess of \$1 million.

The terms of the ballot measure made federal, state and other grant funds part of the \$1 million calculation. The new ordinance would eliminate grant funds from the \$1 million calculation, meaning the cap would be applied only to borough funds.

Under state law, a successful initiative ordinance can be changed by assembly action after two years have passed since its approval by voters.

The measure also would exclude grants from such other organizations as the Rasmussen Foundation, the Denali Commission and others, from future cap calculations. Another provision would increase the amount that could be spent without voter approval in the North Peninsula Recreation Service Area from \$500,000 to \$1 million.

Ruby Denison, of Ninilchik, prime sponsor of the 2005 ballot measure, recently called the new ordinance a "creative accounting" method meant to circumvent the 2005 vote. Tuesday, ACT members James Price and Vicki Pate spoke against the new ordinance.

Supporters of the measure testifying Tuesday included Ryan Smith, CEO of Central Peninsula General Hospital Inc., and Baisden.

Superman, of Nikiski, said rising construction costs make the cap problematic for the borough, and the inclusion of grant funds in that calculation "significantly impairs the borough's ability to receive grant funds for capital improvement projects."

Requiring a costly, time-consuming public vote to expend grant funds could delay projects, increase costs, and perhaps hamper legislative efforts to make grants in the first place, Superman said.

"In my view, the best interest of the borough would be served by excluding grant funds from the code provision," he said.

Fourth of July accident claims fourth victim

By Andrew Wellner

Frontiersman

MAT-SU -- Alaska State Troopers said Thursday that the July 4 accident that claimed the lives of three Princess Lodge workers has claimed a fourth.

According to spokeswoman Beth Ipsen, Matthew Holmes, 20, of Hudsonville, Michigan, died Wednesday night of his injuries.

Holmes and Christopher Niles, 19, also of Hudsonville, were the only two who survived the crash near Mile 131 Parks Highway in Trapper Creek.

Holmes was taken to Providence Alaska Medical Center, after the crash, Niles to Alaska Native Medical Center.

Nathan Pollard and Jerry Luzzi, both 21, of California, died on scene. William Bradley, also 21, of California, died on the way to the hospital.

All five lodge workers were thrown from the red 2003 Infiniti as it rolled off the highway. None were wearing seatbelts.

Troopers say they believe the group was heading from Talkeetna back to the Princess Mt. McKinley Lodge when the accident occurred. Troopers were called to respond at 8:33 p.m.

Ipsen said troopers believe that alcohol was a factor in the crash, but only accounts that the men were seen partying at a Talkeetna-area park prior to the accident.

New MEA board tightens reins

By Andrew Wellner

Frontiersman

PALMER -- Matanuska Electric Association has a new look to its board of directors and a new president.

Lois Lester of Eagle River was elected without objection Tuesday by other board members to

loud applause from the audience. Valley resident Peter Burchell was seated for another term and Janet Kincaid replaced former board president Lee Jordan.

Lester thanked the board for choosing her and said she would strive "to be true to the MEA members."

Lester is serving her third term on the board, having been first elected in 2000. According to an MEA press release, she is the longest-serving member on the board.

Also chosen as officers were David Glines of Eagle River to serve as vice president and Burchell, a Wasilla resident, to serve as secretary/treasurer.

The board elects its officers after each yearly election to serve one-year terms.

Tuesday also saw the swearing in newly elected board member Kincaid and of Burchell to a new term. Both were elected March 1. Burchell and Glines thanked Jordan Tuesday for his years of service and lamented the fact that nobody had thought to prepare him a plaque or other recognition.

The newly constituted board wasted no time in getting down to business.

Lester had barely taken her position as president before proposing changes to the board's policies, the most striking of which seemed to ask utility General Manager Wayne Carmony to take more direction from the board and exercise less discretion.

The change wasn't universally welcomed.

"I need to study this before I know how much I want to swallow," board member Larry DeVilbiss said.

Glines agreed with DeVilbiss, saying he objected to moving forward with changes so quickly. The changes eventually passed with Glines and DeVilbiss in opposition.

Next, Burchell took his turn, making a motion that the co-op's bylaw committee be dissolved and reconstituted. Under his proposal, sitting members who wish to remain on the committee would have to reapply.

Burchell's motion stemmed from a dispute this last election cycle when Lester and others noticed that the co-op's bylaws say committee members serve three-year terms. By that measure, only one committee member has not seen her term expire.

"I don't think you guys should beat yourself up over this," Carmony said, noting that his reading of the rule is that a committee member sits until replaced and thus the current committee members, though most of their terms are expired, are still legally serving.

"I think," Lester said of Burchell's motion, "it's just been something that's in his craw and he wants to get it out."

Eventually the measure passed unanimously with Glines abstaining.

Work near Windbreak generates questions

By Andrew Wellner

Frontiersman

WASILLA — It seems Mayor Dianne M. Keller's comments at a recent city council meeting are making some residents take notice.

Evidence of the rumor mill's effects were apparent last week. Deputy Chief Greg Wood with the Wasilla Police Department said people spotted a handful of Wasilla officers working on equipment on one of the department's communications towers near the Windbreak Café. An Anchorage officer contracted to Wasilla's communications company was also present.

Since then, "We've had several calls here from people worried that we maybe did a raid at the Windbreak," Wood said.

Similar calls were fielded at the Frontiersman this week.

The comments he's referring to were made at a June 30 city council meeting in which Keller defended actions that led the council to call for her resignation regarding her dealings with Meritage Development LLC, a company working to develop two tracts of land close to the Windbreak. Addressing Annette Andres, owner of the Windbreak, Keller accused the café owner of making "degrading" statements about her. Andres had received a letter threatening eminent domain if she didn't cooperate with plans for nearby Sun Mountain Avenue. The letters prompted the investigation. Keller has said from the start she was reacting to safety concerns regarding the road.

Keller said that if she were the type of person Andres thought she was, she would have directed Wasilla police officers to run breathalyzer checks on anyone exiting the café, but she didn't.

Calls to the restaurant turned up no sign of a raid and attempts to reach the café's owners were not successful as of press time.

Officers conducting the maintenance work were not on Windbreak property, Wood said, adding the work had absolutely nothing to do with the café.

"We were working on some equipment out there and that's it," Wood said. "This stems, I believe, from the mayor's comments."

Wood said it's likely Keller's comments, which may have been taken out of context and sprinkled with a little imagination from Wasilla residents, have been spun through the local rumor mill, turning a maintenance call into something more sinister in the minds of some.

"We don't do business that way and we're going to continue to abide by the laws ourselves and continue to do right by the community," Wood said.

Since that June 30 meeting, Woods said he doesn't believe police have fielded any calls for service from the restaurant.

"If we do have a call we'll respond and deal with it like we normally do," Wood said.

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Democrats Counter Republicans
With a New Alaska-Oil Plan

By SIOBHAN HUGHES

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WASHINGTON -- House Democrats moved Thursday to counter a Republican push for more domestic drilling with a proposal that would increase oil production from areas of Alaska already open to drilling.

In recent weeks as the public outcry over high gasoline prices has built, Republicans in Washington have positioned themselves as champions of increased domestic energy production. Fearful of appearing obstructionist, Democrats are jostling to get in front of the issue.

"Democrats support increasing the domestic production of petroleum and other energy

resources," House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer (D., Md.) said Thursday.

The issue cuts both ways for Democrats. They don't want to alienate environmental-minded supporters who are against additional drilling, but they don't want to cede the issue of increasing oil supplies to the Republicans.

With gasoline prices at a record-high \$4.11 a gallon on average across the nation last week, Americans are growing eager for action. A Rasmussen Reports survey in June showed 67% of Americans support deepwater energy exploration -- with 64% expecting it will lower gas prices -- while a CNN poll published last week showed 73% of Americans favor more exploration of deep ocean energy resources far off U.S. shores.

Republicans have repeatedly accused Democrats of failing to increase supplies. Republicans have pushed for increased drilling off the coast and in environmentally sensitive areas such as the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

The Democrats' plan would speed up production in the National Petroleum Reserve, an area in Alaska already approved for drilling but where so far much of the land hasn't been leased. "This administration has been dragging its feet on leasing those areas," Mr. Hoyer said.

Currently, five companies -- ConocoPhillips, BP PLC, Anadarko Petroleum Corp., Total SA and FEX LP -- have drilled in the area. The Bureau of Land Management has been selling leases roughly once every two years. The result is that only 26 wells have been completed in an area that Democrats estimate could ultimately produce about 10.6 billion barrels of oil.

Ruth McCoard, a spokeswoman for the Bureau of Land Management, said the government isn't obligated to stick to a two-year schedule for offering leases in the National Petroleum Reserve, but "it's just the way it has actually fallen." She said the schedule "depends on when we can actually offer those lands. We're having a lot of land-use planning going on."

Under the Democratic proposal, the Bureau of Land Management would be required to offer leases annually. Because oil companies are already active in the area, oil could potentially be produced more quickly than in other areas recently proposed for new exploration, such as off the coast of Florida in the Gulf of Mexico.

Democrats are also considering ways to encourage the construction of both an oil and a natural-gas pipeline to speed delivery from Alaska to the lower 48 states. One option: the oil pipeline could potentially link up with the Trans-Alaskan Pipeline, which delivers oil from Prudhoe Bay.

The construction of a natural-gas pipeline, which is expected to cost more than \$30 billion, is a hot topic in Alaska. Companies have floated two major proposals since the beginning of the year, although both have significant hurdles to clear. Construction of an oil pipeline hasn't been widely discussed until the Democratic proposal Thursday.

Currently, oil from Alaska's North Slope travels down a pipeline built in the 1970s to the port of Valdez, where it is put on tankers and ferried to the West Coast and other destinations. Oil production in the North Slope has been declining in recent years, creating ample capacity on the pipeline for new sources of oil to be carried to market.

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ANCHORAGE DAILY NEWS

(Letters to the Editor/Opinion)

Alternative energy key to Alaska's future

STEVE HAYCOX

COMMENT

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It would be remarkable if Warren Buffett were to solve America's energy problem, and Alaska's. It would be remarkable because Buffett pulled out of Alaska's gas line sweepstakes even before the real contest began. Yet Buffett is a person who thinks "big" and clearly; he wants to free America from dependence on foreign oil, not by more drilling

but by getting serious about alternative energy.

Buffett has been pushing wind-generated power for most of the past decade, and he's beginning to get results. Just last month, one of his companies signed an agreement, approved by the requisite government bodies, to bring to 800 turbines a giant wind-generator farm at Walnut, Iowa, between Des Moines and Omaha. The power will boost the percentage of Des Moines power consumption provided by wind. There are now giant wind farms all across the American Great Plains, from North Dakota (near Edgeley) to Texas (on King Mountain, near McCamey). There are several in Iowa, a new one being built in Kansas (near Montezuma), and in Minnesota (near Pipestone), among others. The wind that drove the "dust bowl" is fast blowing in a new U.S. energy era.

Gov. Palin's approval of \$25 million of state oil revenue for transmission lines from the CIRI project on Fire Island, which involves Chugach Electric, ML&P, Homer Electric and Golden Valley Electric, should be seen as a mere beginning. Thirty-three turbines there can generate 100 megawatts of power, 25 percent of Anchorage's current expenditure. Buffett's new Iowa project will generate 310 megawatts.

Paul Jenkins, Arliss Sturgulewski and Gail Phillips have recently called for new, bold thinking about Alaska's future. They point out that we have had big ideas in the past but have sometimes lacked visionary leadership and often big money. Now we have some money, and they hope for the vision. Sturgulewski and Phillips call for the development of comprehensive policies on energy and transportation. So far, so good.

But we need to think farther than a road to Nome and more creatively than the development of Arctic coal. Buffett understands that we cannot solve our energy crisis with fossil fuels alone. So do others.

Elizabeth Kolbert, who has written cogently for New Yorker magazine about the melting of Arctic sea ice and the impact of global warming on Alaska, recently described a number of alternative energy projects in Denmark and other European countries. In addition to wind power, there are experiments in biomass burning, heat-recovery systems, extra-thick insulation, multi-use solar panels and others. All of these required not just money, but overcoming the natural conservatism of ordinary citizens who'd always done things the same way. What that took, Kolbert chronicled, was finding a few people willing to step out and take the lead instead of waiting for their neighbors to make the first move. It took the courage to be different.

Alaska should be filled with such people. Residing on the "last frontier," and not giving "a damn how they do it Outside," are phrases meant to capture some of Alaska's uniqueness. For non-Native Alaskans, living over a thousand miles north of the rest of the country in a land not yet fully developed, itself suggests a willingness to be labeled "different." For Native Alaskans, taking pride in Native heritage and living, even part of the time, in remote villages and participating in subsistence harvesting of resources are powerful statements of positive difference. Thinking, and acting, non-conventionally ought to be second nature to Alaskans.

But realizing new ideas takes something more than just the courage to be different; it takes creative thinking. Many of the energy-efficient ideas Kolbert observed had been worked out in universities and research institutes. Alaskans should put a substantial portion of the "new" money from high oil prices into the state university, equitably distributed. Very often, though hardly exclusively, innovative, non-conventional approaches to persistent challenges come from researchers who have the time, incentive and

encouragement to think big, and to think freely, without the constraint of specifically directed contracts.

Jenkins, Sturgulewski and Phillips are right in urging Alaskans to think big and innovatively. Buffett is right in pushing alternative energies that can be made cost effective. Alaska would be right to take heed.

Letters to the editor (7/11/08)

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It's time to show us the money

Push the button! Mail the energy relief checks. The \$1,200 or more should be paid immediately to Alaskans.

The longer government waits, the higher the cost of heating oil rises. Do legislators fathom how the cost of heating oil hurts people? The committees and hearings are dental floss on a broken jaw. Our high electric costs, water rates and property taxes are a crime. That money gushing through Juneau belongs to Alaskans.

Residents are frustrated and depressed, anxious and angry. It's a ripple effect: less money to spend, businesses suffer. It's ridiculous that our money remains beneath the desks of legislators sipping martinis and playing the party game.

Alaska retirees can burn their houses down to stay warm or leave. Alaska residents and their children are our immediate investment. Push the button!

Parents don't want to take their children from this wonderful community -- but little choice is left. Twenty-five-hundred dollars to fill a 500-gallon tank, and billions sitting in banks and markets making billionaires richer. Shameful.

Certainly we need to invest in development. But first, help people. It's their money. If I directed funding I would send \$5,000 to each resident, millions to each community so towns and villages could start on an even keel.

Juneau, local representatives, Gov. Palin, send the checks, push the button.

-- J. Claude Cruikshank

Fairbanks

Have dignity; resist giveaways

An Anchorage Daily News editorial announces that Alaskans are now asking for help in the way of direct grants for weatherization and subsidies for energy consumption.

When did we all become wards of the government and unable to provide for ourselves? All families with incomes of less than \$78,000 per year now qualify as indigents?

We are forced to depend on government for basic shelter?

How many of you are going to sign up for this freebie and surrender your sense of individual self-reliance and dignity?

Don't you think we could provide for ourselves if the municipality was not extorting approximately \$5,000 per year in taxes for each home in Anchorage?

Wake up, Alaskans. A government large enough to give you everything you want is also big enough to take away everything that you have earned.

Bob Dylan put it in prose: "Steal a little and they throw you in jail, steal a lot and they make you King" (a legislator, mayor ...).

How many of you have the decency to resist goodies taken by force from someone else and offered to you?

-- David Biesemeyer

Anchorage

Some ideas were rotten apples

We have all seen the bumper sticker asking God for another oil boom, promising this time we won't **** it away. Alaska will need an updated version if state leaders follow the advice of former legislators Gail Phillips and Arliss Sturgulewski to "revisit big, bold ideas of the past" (July 3 Compass). Many of the big-spender ideas that were undertaken before didn't live up to their lofty promises. Examples include the Delta Barley Project and the Healy Clean Coal Project. Some "big ideas such as the Susitna Dam" were so bloated that even with political pork there wasn't enough funding to begin. The thread running through many of these failures is that the project was based on political whims and decisions, not solid feasibility analysis.

Certainly, not all big ideas from the past were losers. Creating the Permanent Fund, which converts nonrenewable resource wealth into renewable financial wealth, and AHFC, which corrects market imperfections in Alaska's banking sector, were fundamentally sound ideas that have been well managed and successful.

Alaska's future is faced with global complexities. What we need to wind our way through is not political Pollyanna, but prudent leaders who have the skills to spot the rotten apple and the courage to pluck it from our barrel of ideas. Regardless of how well it's polished, a rotten apple never tastes very good.

-- George Matz

Fritz Creek

Read checklist before marrying

Holy cow! A checklist for being happy in marriage! Where was this article when I was getting married for the first time ... or the second ... or the third. Reading the "choosy" article by Maureen Dowd made me laugh out loud. It also made me gasp in disbelief. Here was a list of every goofball decision I ever made about "love" and/or marriage (not that my parents/family/friends didn't try to educate me!). I'm relatively sure that if I had been required to sign a copy of the article saying that I had read and understood, I might have made some different choices. No, I wouldn't; I was "in love." Of course, if the exes had read the same article and measured me, none of us would have become statistics. Ah, hindsight ...

I'd sign this with all my married names, but wouldn't want to embarrass any of the fine gentlemen that I tied my star to, bless their hearts.

Seriously, thanks for publishing the column. If it saves someone the heartache of a bad marriage or a nasty divorce, then the ADN has contributed something useful. In the meantime, in my case, here's hoping that with age comes some wisdom. I'm bronzing it, in case I ever get the urge again. Eek.

-- Lynn Sutton

Anchorage

Bears aren't our only hazards

As I read Mr. Yonkin's letter "Bears don't belong in the city," I wondered why the debate on bears always seems to be an "us or them" argument. We live in a place where bears exist

very close to humans without trouble the vast majority of the time.

When someone gets hurt or killed, some of us cry, "Get rid of those bears!" But children and adults both are hurt and killed in car accidents many times more than anyone is hurt by a bear. Why don't we cry, "Get rid of those cars"? Cars are a hazard of living in the city.

We choose to live with many things that are hazardous every day without giving them much thought. If you choose to live in Alaska, you have chosen to live on the edge of a wilderness where bear encounters are a possibility. Whatever the hazard, reasonable precautions should be taken, with the knowledge that sometimes they may not be enough.

-- Cynthia L. Lyons

Anchorage

Kill the bears and more will come

Nature abhors a vacuum. If a concerted effort is made to kill all the bears in the Anchorage area, others will come to fill the void. Then what? Kill more bears. These bear killers gripe and groan and expound illogical ideas. But they offer no reasonable or even thoughtful solutions. They just run off at the mouth.

Would these bear killers rather make Anchorage a gated city? Erect a 15-foot-high fence all around the city with gates on the highways for cars. That will keep the nasty bears away and slow down traffic. And probably cost multi-million dollars in increased taxes (the homeowners would love that).

I have been up close and personal with several bear maulings. They are not pretty. I live in bear country. I approach each step outside my door with bear awareness. These bear killers need to get a grip on life. If not, get your pacifier and curl up in a corner with your favorite blankie.

-- Phil Weber, EMT

Cooper Landing

Professor shows his ignorance

Dr. Randall J. Gee, professor emeritus, Cleveland State University, is certainly entitled to the opinions enthusiastically expressed in his recent letter regarding the sporting and culinary values of northern pike -- no matter how much his notions reflect a bland, peculiarly Midwestern aesthetic that is the equivalent of a boneless, skinless, boiled

breast of chicken with mayo on white bread.

It should be pointed out however, that despite his seemingly impressive professional credentials, and the fact he presents himself as an avid sport fisherman, Dr. Gee's factual knowledge of Alaska's fisheries resources is woefully deficient. Dr. Gee might be surprised to learn that contrary to his assertion that the rainbow trout "is not native to Alaska," it is, in fact, a naturally occurring (that is to say "native") species found across extensive regions of not only Alaska, but the broader Pacific Rim. In Alaska, resident and anadromous populations of rainbow trout are found from the Panhandle in the Southeast to Kuskokwim Bay in the southwest and are indigenous to numerous drainages in between.

It is ironic that while Dr. Gee views ADF&G efforts to eradicate the pike from the Alexander Lake/Creek system as "criminal," the pike fishing he has enjoyed there is almost certainly the direct result of an actual criminal act: that is, the unauthorized, illegal transplanted of northern pike to the system.

n Mike Cooney

FAIRBANKS NEWS MINER

(Letters to the Editor/Opinion)

Energy options

In-state gas pipeline question

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Alaskans need to see a rational business plan before the state goes any farther with the undefined "partnership" on an in-state gas pipeline.

The news conference announcing the "partnership" Monday was premature, at best. The confusing mix of contradictory claims and perceptions needs to be dealt with immediately by the Palin administration to present a clearer picture to the public.

The state and the parties should have worked out some of the key details before announcing a partnership that so far seems to exist in name only.

Enstar is studying a pipeline along the Parks Highway from Anchorage north to Fairbanks and to the North Slope. The Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority wants to build a spur line from Delta to Anchorage via the Richardson and Glenn highways.

At the news conference, the Palin administration said the Richardson and Glenn route is the preferred alternative. But Enstar and ANGDA do not appear to be in sync on this.

ANGDA wants \$25 million of state money to study building a line from Delta to Southcentral. It is talking about building a plastic pipe from Delta to Fairbanks — that line would possibly carry gas from Cook Inlet to Fairbanks.

We need to see a stronger case for the Richardson-Glenn route other than ANGDA's continual promotion of that option.

Likewise, we need to learn if the Parks Highway route might be less expensive and therefore require less of a state subsidy.

It's not right to risk state resources based on a series of "ifs" and "maybes."

For starters, the proponents need to reach consensus on where the gas for this pipeline would be coming from, who would pay for it and how much of a subsidy will be required.

We need a much broader discussion.

The big motivation is how to get lower-priced energy in the Interior. There are many ways to do this. At a time when we have a temporary abundance of cash, we cannot abandon the normal restrictions that reduce the chance of entering into agreements that are not the best use of our resources.

We need to consider whether subsidizing a multi-billion dollar pipeline is superior to, say, building the Susitna hydroelectric project or selling royalty oil at a lower price.

As to whether the gas for this pipeline would come from Cook Inlet or the North Slope foothills, that should be nailed down before anyone starts building a pipeline.

It's not enough for the state to speculate that building a pipeline from Anchorage to Fairbanks will somehow unleash an immediate and successful exploratory boom that will allow new supplies of Cook Inlet gas to be flowing into Fairbanks in 2013.

It's also not enough to say we can build a pipeline from Anchorage to Fairbanks and if, by 2013, new Cook Inlet reserves are not on line, then we'll spend more billions to go to the North Slope.

That doesn't strike us as a business plan. It strikes us as a concept that needs more work.

Not feeling rich

John Lawrence, North Pole

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To the editor:

So the state has made a cool \$10 billion this year on oil. Way to go state! Yes, that is billion with a B.

That's nice, but correct me if I am wrong — I was led to believe that we, the residents of Alaska, were the state. With that in mind, I really don't feel much like a billionaire. No, I just scratch my head and try to figure out how to pay all these inflated prices for utilities, food, gasoline and diesel and anything else I need to survive in the Interior of Alaska.

All this time our "elected officials" are slobbering over this vast amount of money the state has made trying to figure out just how to spend it.

I have a novel idea. Put some of it back into the pockets of the residents. Why not take our oil and run it through the refinery. Yes, the one right here in North Pole. At that

point, the refinery fees would be added along with the state tax (yes, keep the state fuel tax intact) and the federal taxes then we would have a product for a price we could afford. In turn, the entire economy for the state of Alaska would take an enormous leap ahead. Yep, it is too simple. No bunch of politicians could ever agree on anything that simple that would only help the people and not the politicians. What was I thinking ... ?

JUNEAU EMPIRE

(Letters to the Editor/Opinion)

Crabby over fishing regulations

The Empire's recent picture of dungeness crab being caught by commercial operators has now impacted my household.

I have been fishing crab for more than 20 years in my 14-foot skiff and most recently in my newer aluminum boat. I have had to travel farther and farther (now more than five miles to set my three pots) and use galvanic timed releases to deter crab theft.

Now, this season my favorite cove (which you can just about throw a rock across), was overwhelmed by a commercial boat from Petersburg with 15 commercial pots. My last crab catch was seven keepers - and I used three gallons of gas.

The Department of Fish and Game says to complain to the Board of Fish. They meet in January every year. Oh, by the way, the deadline for complaints and appeals is in April! So, I guess it's a two-year deal if anything can be done.

It's too bad fish and game, with all its staff and stats, isn't more pro-active. Or maybe it should be that the Board of Fish should be more pro-active.

The part that really miffs me is when the fish and game guy in Juneau said it wouldn't matter if there were a million pots in the Northern Lynn Canal, the Board of Fish has regulatory power to limit the commercial guys.

Well, I guess I had better savor what is left. From the way it's going, there'll be no more dungeness in Haines, just like the king salmon fishing was decimated here, and the king crab in Juneau, and the shrimp in Taiya Inlet. I guess that's what we should expect, being the last ones on the totem (Lynn Canal).

The commercial decimation continues in Icy Straits, Excursion Inlet and the like. Before fish and game has nothing left to manage, maybe we should put it in charge of the mosquitoes! Cheers!

Norm Smith

My turn: SEACC victory likely to be overturned

A few months ago, I predicted on this page that the U.S. Supreme Court wouldn't hear Southeast Alaska Conservation Council's lawsuit against the Kensington Mine. Was I ever wrong - and that's good. Now, if I have an ounce of credibility left at reading judicial tealeaves, I will venture that Coeur has all but won its case.

Here's what Juneau people should know. It takes four justices of the Supreme Court to accept a case for review - and justices almost never vote for review unless they think a decision should be reversed. It only takes five Justices to reverse and the court reverses 90 percent of 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals cases it hears. In addition, the court almost never hears a case where the federal government is the primary party and argues against review - as happened here. Something is going on, and that something is an almost certain reversal of SEACC's victory. That's a very good thing.

It's a good thing because SEACC never really had a point to make. They never advocated anything to help the environment - in fact what they pushed was environmentally detrimental. They just wanted to stop a mine and get a win. After all, without winning, SEACC is nothing.

SEACC's legal case argued that a mine couldn't convert "waters of the United States" directly into a tailings disposal facility. Waters of the United States include lakes and wetlands. And tailings facilities include dry tailings and tailings ponds. Of course SEACC's phony public façade was that dry tailings on wetlands were OK - even while their lawyers were making the opposite case in court. What they really wanted was the power to say yea or nay to mining proposals. Baloney. They aren't the government.

SEACC dishonestly claimed to the people of Juneau and Alaska that Coeur's proposal was reversal of past practice - a change that allowed a mine to just dump waste into a pristine lake with no controls and a throwback to the bad old days. The Supreme Court heard otherwise. Both Red Dog and Fort Knox had been permitted to do what SEACC said was never done - convert waters of the United States into a tailings pond. Pogo, Greens Creek, and Rock Creek had avoided the problem by carefully converting the waters of the United States into "uplands" before placing their tailings. This was expensive, but it avoided the phony legal pitfall that SEACC had raised. Coeur could have done the same thing at Lower Slate Lake. In the end, SEACC's case was really just about raising mining company costs and promoting SEACC.

While I may disparage SEACC's crusade against Kensington, Coeur has not. That, apparently, would be too messy. Or they may think the facts are too complicated for ordinary people to understand. I don't think they are. Most people can appreciate the difference between a "mount garbage" and a facility that looks like a lake. I think it's worth knowing that a water discharge permit with stringent standards was required and issued for discharge from the treatment facility. The idea that Coeur was just dumping waste shouldn't have been allowed to stand.

And people really needed to know that most of the damage of construction of the Lower Slate Lake facility has already taken place. SEACC posted the pictures on its Web page, but Coeur's lawyers argued to the 9th Circuit that area was all but pristine. One would have expected the opposite. What sense is there in digging up a new area for the paste tailings when the Slate Lake area has already been clear-cut and dug up?

In the end, Coeur has a great case to make for its Lower Slate Lake facility. If, as expected, the Supreme Court upholds the permit, the result will be good for the mine and good for the environment. Juneau needs to know this. We shouldn't be left with the idea that the Supreme Court is ramming something bad down our throats.

But let me make one last prediction. Coeur won't make its case to the public. Too bad. The Supreme Court isn't going to do anything more than uphold sensible law and worthy past practice. This is something Juneau should support.

- Eric Twelker is a Juneau attorney and geologist.

Alaska editorial: Buy Alaska Grown

Should it matter to you if the peas on your dinner table came from Alaska or California? Is buying locally worth a few extra cents here and there?

We think supporting our Alaska farmers isn't just sensible. It isn't just the right thing to do. We see it as a way to grow a green Alaska that is less vulnerable to food security issues, less dependent on imported food and less detached from the sources of its food.

With Alaska's fresh bounty reaching area farmers' markets, vegetable stands and local retailers, today is a good day to make a personal commitment to buy Alaska Grown.

Lettuce, crisp bunches of radishes and the succulent green, leafy crops have been a hit at the farmers' markets for a few weeks. Zucchini, cucumbers, tomatoes and strawberries - and an ever-lengthening parade of enticing crops - are available now, too. Even as summer gives way to fall and fall to you-know-what, Alaska potatoes and carrots remain available.

Buy Alaska Grown and you are buying from your neighbors, who picked the crops from their own fields. Many grow their crops naturally without chemicals and pesticides. Each of them will answer your questions about their commitment to raising produce that is Alaska Grown.

Alaska has its own fresh milk with an expanding line of dairy products expected soon. There are sources of Alaska meats, goat cheese, eggs, birch syrup, herbs, honey, oils, jams and jellies. Then there are the nonfood products - yarns, soaps, nutraceuticals, flowers, biodiesel, etc. It's a long list. The state's new Food and Farm Products Directory is an Excel file downloadable and filterable from the Division of Agriculture Web site, <http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/ag>.

Buying local foods mean you get better nutrient content, fresher product and you've spared the environment the impact of thousands of miles of transportation.

We are proud to support our Valley and our state in many ways. Like shopping locally, buying Alaska Grown just makes sense.

What better way to celebrate our Valley's agricultural heritage than to support the farming industry?

Alaska editorial: Iditarod needs help

The Iditarod attracts the top dogs. Among those signing up last week for the 2009 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race were five winners of the event, including 2008 champion Lance Mackey. Overall, 68 hopeful mushers pledged to brave the grueling 1,100-mile sled dog race in an event at Wasilla's Iditarod headquarters.

A longtime international draw for the Mat-Su Valley, the Iditarod continues to be a strong event that generates tourism and interest in Alaska and our local communities. Not only does the Iditarod generate worldwide media coverage at its Anchorage ceremonial start and the Valley restart, hosting an off-season sign-up blowout keeps more year-round attention on the race.

That next year's competitors seem willing to pay an increased entry fee - \$4,000 for 2009, up \$1,000 over this year's fee - is a good sign of the Iditarod's strong base of interest within the sport of mushing. In addition to the fee increase, operational expenses have cut the overall guaranteed purse from \$935,000 in 2008 to \$660,000 next year.

We're pleased to see such a strong turnout and support from Iditarod mushers and hope the increased entry fee and decreased prize money from the event won't hamper the race's overall participation in 2009. With recent increases in fuel prices and other services race organizers can expect to pay, it's understandable some belt-tightening would be in order.

At the same time it's costing mushers more to feed, train and care for their dogs. While finishing in the money in the Iditarod has unparalleled cachet in the sport of dog mushing, the dogs and mushers have to eat, and not all of them have deep-pocketed sponsors like some of the headliners.

We love the Iditarod and watching greats like Mackey and other former champions Mitch Seavey, Jeff King, Martin Buser and Rick Swenson. But it's a tough spot to raise the fee 25 percent and cut the purse.

Cabela's and Wells Fargo Bank are major corporate sponsors of the Iditarod. While we appreciate keeping the Iditarod as one of the last, great Alaska adventures, it may be time to consider more corporate sponsorships to keep the event's financial shortfalls from the competitors.

The Iditarod has steadied itself financially in recent years. Now it's time to take another good, hard look at those companies that would like to buy into this world-class event and carefully consider what they can bring without diluting the character of the race.

The world's top mushers are loyal to the Last Great Race, but can the field afford to return for long if this year's hiccup of paying more for a smaller purse becomes an annual occurrence?

We hope we don't have to find out.

OTHER OP-EDs

(Letters to the Editor/Opinion)

VOICE OF THE TIMES

Palin says guilty
until proven innocent

IMMEDIATELY AFTER Sen. John Cowdery was charged with bribery and conspiracy yesterday, Gov. Sarah Palin whipped out a press release assuming that he was guilty.

The rule of thumb in fairness is supposed to be "innocent until proven guilty," but not for our governor these days.

"It was disturbing to learn that another public official has been charged with violating the public trust," she wrote. "I urge Senator Cowdery to step down, for the good of the state."

"Today's news is a good reminder that we must continue to be vigilant in defending Alaska's sovereignty against those who would undermine it . . .

(cont'd from front page) in an attempt to sell out Alaskans. As we move forward, let me remind everyone that this administration is committed to putting Alaskans and their interests first, as we develop our resources in a responsible and ethical manner.

"We are on the right path. I am confident that path will be made more clear and obstacle-free as justice prevails in the ongoing FBI investigation. Like many Alaskans, I look forward to closure on this disturbing chapter in our state's history."

Could it be that Cowdery, an elderly man who often uses a walker, was going to vote against Palin's beloved AGIA scheme?

Palin partners
skeptical on
gasline claims

MORE EVIDENCE is piling in that Gov. Sarah Palin is being disingenuous in her proposal to build a pipeline to carry gas from Cook Inlet to Fairbanks.

The Fairbanks Daily News-Miner reports that the skeptics include, to varying degrees, the state's proposed partners in what Palin calls "AGIA Lite" and others who would most directly benefit, if the proposal were real.

The critics include Enstar, with comments by spokesman Curtis Thayer, and Fairbanks Natural Gas President Dan Britton. Harold Heinz, CEO of the Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority, also has his doubts.

"Do we want to roll the dice, or do we want to . . .

(cont'd from front page) spend the money and build a line to the (North Slope) foothills?" Thayer asked. "We know there is gas on the North Slope. The thing is, we don't have the gas in Cook Inlet. The gas does not exist in Cook Inlet."

The News-Miner quoted Heinze as saying the general view is that Cook Inlet has "lots of potential" but he and Enstar are somewhat more skeptical.

"There is no doubt there are some real problems," Heinze told the reporter. "On the other hand, the administration is very confident, and they are the landowner." That was a good-soldier response but hardly a ringing endorsement of the bold new idea that the governor is so excited about.

Enstar and ANGDA were announced as partners in Palin's AGIA Lite in her press conference on Monday.

Britton said he also has questions about Palin's proposal. Noting that it's already a struggle to get contracts for Cook Inlet gas, he added: "It's hard for me to understand what the justification might be for a multi-billion investment when you're unable to secure a longer gas supply."

What about aid to
Alaska's communities?

WE ARE SCRATCHING our heads about the new state proposal to spend \$21 billion on alternative energy, trying to make sense of it.

We find it unimaginable that the Legislature would look at such a seemingly crackpot scheme but has still not seriously considered sharing state largesse with the local communities.

Larger cities like Anchorage are still paying horrendous property taxes, others are paying high sales taxes, and some villages are laying off their few employees — including police officers — because of empty treasuries. The \$1,200 energy checks will help, but not much. The need is much greater than that.

This seems to be one more indication that Alaska's government priorities have gone astray, dangerously so.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 12:41 PM
To: Katz; John W (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Energy Letter/Sunday

Thanks John. I will print for the Governor.

----- Original Message -----

From: John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp
Sent: Fri Jul 11 06:07:18 2008
Subject: Energy Letter/Sunday

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 4:56 PM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: Exxon

Thanks so much Talis. I was asked by a reporter just the other day about our letter and if we'd received any response. Thanks!

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Date: Fri, 11 Jul 2008 15:35:08 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Exxon

Dear Governor Palin,
Two further notes on the Exxon letter I just forwarded:

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Talis

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 6:07 AM
To: Kris Perry
Cc: Mike Nizich; Sarah Palin
Subject: Energy Letter/Sunday

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Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 3:35 PM

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Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 3:25 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: FW: Exxon Valdez Letter

Dear Governor Palin,

Attached is Exxon's response to my letter. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Talis

-----Original Message-----

From: Sy-Lumba, Ide T (LAW)
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 3:21 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Subject: re: Exxon Valdez Letter

Please let me know if unable to open. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: State of Alaska Dept. of Law [mailto:infosys@law.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 3:19 PM
To: Sy-Lumba, Ide T (LAW)
Subject:

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 3:12 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Chamber/Americas Executive Forum Press Release on Amb. Robert Dieter, U. S. Ambassador to Belize

From: Gil Cisneros [mailto:gil@chamberoftheamericas.com]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 2:02 PM
To: *****Gil Cisneros
Subject: Chamber/Americas Executive Forum Press Release on Amb. Robert Dieter, U. S. Ambassador to Belize

The Chamber of the Americas Executive Forum Breakfast presented the Honorable Robert J. Dieter, U.S. Ambassador to Belize, on July 10, 2008. Ambassador Dieter, a former Clinical Professor of Law at the University at the University of Colorado-Boulder Law School, relayed that prior to his appointment by President George W. Bush as the nation's diplomatic representative to the Central American country, he had limited knowledge of the intricacies of international diplomacy, having devoted his professional life to pursuit of legal scholarship.

However, Ambassador Dieter's tenure has offered a thorough education in the art of diplomacy and an appreciation of Belize, the people and possibilities. He informed the audience about the cultural and commercial allure of Belize. While the potential for business opportunities are without restraint, the U.S. ranks number one in foreign trade with the beautiful but tiny nation (the population compares to Boulder County — approximately 300,000 people).

According to Ambassador Dieter, the primary catalyst for the close relationship between the two countries is a shared commitment to democracy. Belize, a former British colony, is unique in Latin America with English being the predominant language. Along with a shared British influence, the country's commitment to democracy, carried over from its British colonial days, resembles American government. This, he said, explains the easy relationship with Americans. "There is very close cultural connections between the U.S. and Belize," he stated.

The stable political environment offers an additional attraction to American investors. Coupled with Belize's popularity with U.S. tourists, the country is ripe with commercial prospects for expanded American trade. Belize boasts numerous attributes. Ambassador Dieter highlighted the Mayan ruins, rain forests, snorkeling, surfing (Belize has the second largest barrier reef in the world), and natural beauty. An added bonus is the people's disposition. "Americans are amazed at how friendly Belizeans are to them," he said.

The Chamber of the Americas presented Ambassador Dieter in its efforts to facilitate and increase American interest in trade with Belize. CEO Gil Cisneros led a commercial visit to the country earlier this year and plans to return this fall as an emissary between U.S. and Belizean businesspeople in The Chambers' efforts to enhance commercial trade between the U.S. and Belize.

For further information about possible trade opportunities with Chamber of the Americas and Belizean businesses, please contact Gil Cisneros at 303-462-1475.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 10:06 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 12:20 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Joel Symons
address: 7225 Bearfoot Dr. Anchorage AK 99502
248-2089

MESSAGE:

To Governor Sarah Palin

I am. Joel Symons and to Congrats to your new baby. And to you. Sarah for being a Mother to your Baby. Congratons

From Joel Symons

joell1974@gci.net

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 1:16 PM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
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Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 11:42 AM
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 10:15 AM
To: Wilken; Jessica M (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Questions regarding the SEACC

From: Paul H. Strohm, Jr. [mailto:crmpro123@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 8:05 AM
To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: Questions regarding the SEACC

Dear Governor Palin,

I am exploring the Southeastern Alaska Conservation Coalition (SEACC) Executive Director position and am interested in hearing your thoughts on the Tongass issues including:

Are the SEACC critical initiatives in line with the voters and the state's priorities?
Your opinion of Russell Heath and his tenure as Executive Director at SEACC?
Can results from the coordinated efforts of the state and SEACC be improved? If so, how?
Do you believe the state resources available for economic development are being fully utilized in the Tongass? If not, what would you recommend?

Thank you in advance for your feedback. I assure you these questions are for my personal education only and will not be shared.

If possible, I'd like to discuss these issues and any others you deem pertinent via phone at your convenience. I will try to call you after receiving your responses to the questions above. Or if you'd prefer to chat vs. communicate using email, please provide a good time to reach you. I am in the Eastern time zone.

Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Paul Strohm
317-752-1615

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 5:08 PM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: FW: Kenai Peninsula: KSRM news gas line poll
FYI if someone hasn't sent this to you already.

From: Davis, Susan M (GOV)
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 3:41 PM
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Kenai Peninsula: KSRM news gas line poll

FYI:

Do you support Governor Palin's proposed bullet line from the Cook Inlet to the Fairbanks area?

Yes

No

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 3:13 PM
To: 'fact275@gmail.com'
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 1:47 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Chris Husing
address: 350 E. Taylor Street Apt 1201 San Jose CA 95112
408.821.2284

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin

I just want to write of my admiration for you and your family. I wish you were my Governor! As a Republican, what hope I have left for our party lies in someone like you. I wish you Godspeed and I hope that when you work in Alaska is finished, you were work for the nation at large.

fact275@gmail.com

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [kris.perry@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 1:32 PM
To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Katz; John W (GOV); Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: Re: Congressman Boehner's Alaska Trip

John, will an early dinner on the 20th in Fairbanks work? The picnic concludes at 3pm. I realize that's too early but close to it would be helpful, i.e. 4:30.

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
To: Katz, John W (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
Sent: Fri Jul 11 13:16:02 2008
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Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 1:30 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 11:55 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Tina Whisler
address: P. O. Box 1773 Palmer AK 99645
. 907-745-6795

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin: I have an e-mail clip that I would like to share with you and your husband about what a difference you two have made by having Trigg. Rusty my husband and I love all children but we are particually fond of Downs Syndrome children and have worked with many and truly love them. I called your parents house to maybe e-mail it to them and they could show you. It is a true story on how this one young Down Syndrome boy made a difference in many people's lives. I personally want to Thankyou for having the same convictions that I have about handling whatever Heavenly Father chooses to give us. Trigg will bring you "unmeasurable" amounts of joy not only for you but your whole entire family and he will teach everyone who gets to know him the meaning of "uncondtional love".
Sincerely Tina M. Whisler

whistleberry@gci.met

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From: ddonkel@cfi.rr.com
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 10:22 PM
To: Bruce D Webb
Cc: Jerry Hodgden; nickstepo@gmail.com; Rick in Fairbanks; 'Jim Gottstein'; Jim White; Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Hello, hello.... is anybody home?

Dear Bruce

I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL BUT.....I believe Gov. Palin and Commission Irwin and Alaska's will come through with a new Legislature to will allow Alaskans to drill and produce and profit for the first time since statehood.

I KNOW WHAT YOUR THINKING AND NO I AM NOT DREAMING.

I have great news It seems Mr. Joe Balash has been directed by Gov. to set up a meeting with us "would be profitable competitors". I have asked the Gov. to hire Jerry Hodgden to consult with the Her and her staff to show how the Kansas model can cure the many anti competition laws put on the books.

WHAT IF GOVERNOR PALIN HIRES JERRY HODGDEN TO CONSULT ALASKA ELECTED LEADERS HOW TO ADOPT KANSAS OIL AND GAS LAWS THAT ALLOWS COMPETITION WITH THE MAJORS.

KANSAS DOES NOT PRICE IT'S CITIZENS OUT OF THE OIL AND GAS DRILLING AND PRODUCING AND SELLING OIL AT A PROFIT BUSINESS. KANSAS DOES NOT KILL SMALL OIL AND GAS COMPETITOR WITH RED TAPE SO THE MAJORS CAN CONTROL THE MARKETS IN MY OPINION!!

IF THIS HAPPENS THEN WILL YOU HAVE FAITH THAT PALIN TRULY CARES ABOUT ALASKANS BEING ABLE TO DRILL FOR OIL?

I would not give up on Governor Palin because she is great and I predict she will make Alaska the largest producing oil state in the nation with small independents making this happen also I predict Gov. Palin be President one

day.

Daniel K. Donkel

Ph: 386-226-4344

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Fax: 386-252-3703

ddonkel@cfl.rr.com

546 Rio Vista Ave.

Daytona Beach, Florida 32114

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bruce D Webb" <bwebb@aurorapower.com>

To: <ddonkel@cfl.rr.com>

Cc: <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; "Governor Palin"

<sarah_palin@gov.state.ak.us>; <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; "Jim White"

<jimwhite@satx.rr.com>; "'Jim Gottstein'"

<James.B.Gottstein@gottsteinlaw.com>; "Rick in Fairbanks" <bluemax@gci.net>;

<nickstepo@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 1:45 PM

Subject: Hello, hello.... is anybody home?

> Dan,

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> That was the Governor's auto response. I have received a dozen of
> them

> over

> the past year.

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> Nice letter, but I am afraid it is being delivered to deaf ears. I am

> starting to wonder what the Governor's agenda is, as she , and

> particularly

> Joe Balash, have NEVER replied to me, and I sent Joe a message last
> week -

> asking him directly what his purpose was, because I have been
> including

> him

> in all the oil and gas e-mails that deal with the injustices being
> propogated in several departments. I seriously do not have any idea
> what

> his role in State government is. I made it a return receipt and
> "notify

> when read" e-mail. He got it, read it, and of course, ignored it.

> (attached) I offered to sit down with him over coffee and discuss his
> role,

> what he could do for me, and I would have asked him if there was any
> way I

> could help him. I wanted to know whether or not I was wasting his
> time by

> including him in all the e-mails. Apparently I am.

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> Sarah is most likely devoting the majority of her time in justifying
> her

> AGIA legislation, which is now being countered not only by
> ConocoPhillips

> with the Denali proposal, but by Governor Knowles with a different
> approach,

> and Governor Hickel with yet another. The woes of the independents
> are

> insignificant in comparrison to what the majors are delivering and
> what a

> gas line would mean to Alaskans - it's sad but true. We just don't
> matter

> enough to be heard. All we can do is keep trying, unfortunately,
> after

> trying for so many years - we start sounding like fanatics - which
> adds to

> the administrations desire to ignore us.

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> This is especially frustrating for me, having served within the State
> for
> over 20 years, more than half of which in the Division of Oil and Gas.
> I
> have the unique experience of knowing the "process" from the inside
> looking
> out, and now - after almost four years of oil and gas consulting and
> managing the land and regulatory affairs for one of the only
> independents
> in
> Alaska still managing to survive - from the outside looking. I can
> point
> out
> a hundred deficiencies and ambiguities in State regulations that would
> be
> EASY to fix and make the "process" more fair and conducive for
> competition
> and exploration. The problem lies in that it serves no one's political
> agenda to change things. The administration(s) would rather focus
> their
> attention on "NEW" legislation and administrative process that will
> focus
> the spotlight on them and their prospective achievements, instead of
> fixing
> the old statutes and regulations that create and propagate the problems.
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> In several discussions with you, Jim, Rick and others, I have come to
> the
> conclusion that if we want to change things, we are going to have to
> start
> a
> public awareness campaign and educate the people of Alaska. Only when
> we
> are able to bring these issues out in the open to the general public
> and

> compete for the "spotlight" with AGIA, Denali, ACES, and the litany of
> other
> "important" issues, will we be noticed and taken seriously. Check out
> this
> website:
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> <http://www.state.ak.us/local/akpages/LEGISLATURE/ombud/standarz.htm>
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> There are 16 standards that the State Ombudsman uses to investigate
> complaints against state officials, departments and Divisions. I was
> in a
> meeting yesterday with the DCOM, DOG, F&G, DEC and COE. 12 of those
> 16
> standards were violated. Once a complaint is filed with the
> Ombudsman,
> they
> MUST investigate it, and publish it on their website. Perhaps it is
> time
> to
> start using the State's own system to bring these issues to the
> forefront -
> and everytime a complaint is filed, copy all the media agencies in the
> state... this would cost us nothing. More than half of these
> standards
> are
> relevant in the Corsair Unit Expansion Decision alone.
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> Anyway, I have ranted about my disappointment with the administration
> enough. I hope the weather and view in Florida is making you smile.
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> Dear Gov. Palin or Who ever replied. I hope this was not a computer
> responds
> you sent to my letter below!
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> Why have I never received one responds from the Governor on these oil
> and
> gas matters after almost a hundred letters from me to help stop oil
> and
> gas
> corruption in Alaska and help cause fair competition in Alaska from
> small
> oil companies against the Majors?
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> Have you reviewed your oil and gas lease sales history and have you
> noted
> that my "Danco" companies or I (DANIEL K. DONKEL) have been one of
> Alaska's largest and longest (since 1983) oil and gas lease
> customers in
> many Cook Inlet lease sales and on the North Slope?
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> Have you also noted that I helped with others indirectly cause
> millions of
> barrels of new oil production in the Cook Inlet at Redoubt Shoals oil
> and
> gas field that created many Alaskan jobs and royalty and other
> valuable
> income to the State for benefit all Alaskans?
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> Also, do you know I have supported, along with Rick Wagner and others,

> Gov.

> Palin's efforts to help Alaska to be more oil and gas productive and
> have

> tried for decades to help increase oil and gas competition from the
> small

> oil and gas companies that have been apparently shut out of Alaska
> profit

> making business for decades by the State's subject oil and gas
> corruption

> or

> injustice?

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> Can I ask one favor? If yes, then may I ask that Rick Wagner, Bruce D.
> Webb,

> Paul Craig, David Boelens, Jerry Hodgden, Jim White and me (if all
> are

> agreeable / others may be included if they are schedulable) to meet
> with

> Gov. Palin to find solutions to this oil and gas corruption and bad
> oil

> and

> gas laws that has keep small oil companies and Alaskans from
> competition

> profitably for well over three decades?

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> We are all small Alaskan oil men with well over one hundred year of
> combined

> Alaska oil and gas experience and we only want one hour to meet with Gov.

> Palin to talk about this subject corruption and how the small oil and
> gas

> competitors can benefit Alaska just as they do in Kansas and many
> other

> producing oil State's in the lower 48 and Canada.

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> May I respectfully ask for a meaningful and respectful response of a
> simple
> "yes" or "no" to have this group or any one from this group meet with Gov.
> Sarah Palin for one hour by phone or in person to help Alaskans and
> small
> oil companies drill and produce more oil and gas for our nation?

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> Daniel K. Donkel
> Ph: 386-226-4344
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> ddonkel@cfl.rr.com
> 546 Rio Vista Ave.
> Daytona Beach, Florida 32114

> ----- Original Message -----

>
> From: Governor Sarah <mailto:governor@alaska.gov> Palin (GOV
> sponsored)

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> To: ddonkel@cfl.rr.com

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> Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 5:28 PM

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> Subject: RE: Cowdery indicted on two corruption charges: FBI
> investigations
> into Alaska politics | adn.com

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> Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns,

> opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable
> to
> the
> Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email
> herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the
> appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your
> need,
> suggestion, or comment.

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> From: ddonkel@cfl.rr.com [mailto:ddonkel@cfl.rr.com]

> Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 1:22 PM

> To: Banks, Kevin R (DNR); Alfred James;
> irvin.t.joy@poa02.usace.army.mil;

> Chris Brecht; Danny S. Davis; Rick Wagner; Vladimir Katic; jimwhite;

> Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Palin, Sarah H (GOV); Paul L.
> Craig;

> Bruce D. Webb; David Boelens

> Cc: Senator_Thomas_Wagoner@legis.state.ak.us; Green, Lyda N (LAA);

> McGuire,

> Lesil L (LAA); Stevens, Gary L (LAA); Huggins, Charlie (LAA);

> Wielechowski,

> Bill (LAA); Stedman, Bert K (LAA); Richard A. Fineberg; Vladimir
> Katic;

> Balash, Joseph R (GOV); James Gottstein; Jerry Hodgden

> Subject: Cowdery indicted on two corruption charges: FBI
> investigations

> into

> Alaska politics | adn.com

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> Dear Gov. Palin and Friends
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> Please read the subject "BREAKING NEWS",
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> "Cowdery indicted on two corruption charges: FBI investigations into
> Alaska
> politics" | adn.com
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> Then read some solutions below. We want to give Gov. Palin and the
> Legislature information that can give reasons to allow small oil and
> gas
> companies to compete fairly in Alaska if new laws are passed ASAP!!
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> What harm has all this corruption in Alaska politics done to Alaska's
> small
> oil and gas competitors over the last 14 year If Sen. John Cowdery was
> the
> GATE KEEPER AS REPORTED IN Anchorage Daily News? I quote " He's had
> powerful
> positions in the Senate leadership, including Rules Committee
> chairman,
> serving as gatekeeper for which bills reach the full Senate for a vote."?
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> If this is true THEN HOW WILL GOVERNOR PALIN IDENTIFY AND UNDO THE
> APPARENT
> HARM HE AND OTHERS DID TO ALASKA'S SMALL OIL AND GAS COMPETITORS
> UNLESS WE

> ALL HELP GOV. PALIN AND LEGISLATURE NOW???

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> In Alaska it has been reported by Dr. Paul Graig of Trading Bay Energy
> of

> Anchorage, that drilling permits are costing 76 time higher then the
> average

> cost in the lower 48 States and Canada!! With all this corruption in
> Alaska

> politics it seems possible that those who have most all Alaska's oil
> and

> gas

> markets may have bribed certain Alaskan Legislators to make laws to
> keep

> the

> smaller competitors out so they can control the markets. Alaska oil
> and

> gas

> laws need to be like Kansas and now is the time to do it, so Alaska
> will

> be

> more productive and competitive. See this link below for details on Dr.
> Craig's Testomony to the Alaska Legislature,

> http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/get_minutes_comm.asp?hse=H

> <[http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/get_minutes_comm.asp?hse=H&session](http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/get_minutes_comm.asp?hse=H&session=24&comm=O!G&date=20051121&time=1310)
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> MAYBE Sen. John Cowdery HELPED BLOCK THE SENATE VERSION OF HB 53 AND
> OTHER

> BILLS IN ORDER TO KEEP THE SMALL COMPETITORS OUT OF ALASKA. MAYBE GOV.

> PALIN

> CAN CONSIDER THE KANSAS MODEL FOR DRILLING PERMITS SO SMALL OIL AND
> GAS

> COMPANIES CAN DRILL FOR OIL WITHOUT THE IMPOSABLE RED TAPE AND
> PERMITTING

> COST THAT WE HAVE KEEPING SMALL OIL COMPANIES OUT OF ALASKA.

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> I suggest Gov. Palin and staff talk with Jerry Hodgden the Alaskan and
> Kansas consulting Geologist to help Alaska consider the Kansas model,
> he

> can

> be reached at geodogs@comcast.net . I believe he would want to help

> consult

> with Governor Palin and other Alaskan leaders to adopt the Kansas
> legislation this next session at a fee The Alaska State Government can
> afford. Please contact me if I can assist in any way possible.

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> WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS? THANKS, DANIEL K. DONKEL at ddonkel@cfl.rr.com

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> please click on this link for the full story;

> <http://www.adn.com/news/politics/fbi/story/460986.html>

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 6:27 PM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Fw: KABATA

Just fyi on KABATA request that I made quite awhile ago... for them to give me a briefing of where they are with the Knik project:

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 01:01:26

To: Leo Von Scheben<leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>

Cc: Randy Ruaro<randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>; M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: KABATA

Hello Leo:

Whenever the KABATA folks want to give me a briefing on their progress, pls let me know and we'll sit and hear them out. Frank Bailey is taking names for board replacements to deal with Wuerch's resignation- he'll stay in touch with you as we get closer to naming someone to fill that slot.

Also, keep your fingers crossed on AGIA passage and the accompanying appropriations bill. Big budget for DOT and infrastructure improvements coming your way with affirmative vote. Say your prayers.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2008 6:20 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Tomorrow...

Is unscripted, although interactive so there may be questions - general in nature and there will be opportunity to weigh in on some polling (anonymously). The seating is as I explained, but Susan said Governor's can come and go as necessary. Both centennial sessions are recorded by CSPAN. The Gov's lunch tomorrow is for you and any family, no staff and security. Clinton will be at lunch.

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 11:57 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Kyle Hopkins - ADN

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So much for him not wanting to embarrass the Governor. Its so extremely apparent that it's all about Walt. He doesn't care how this affects her in the least. He's unfortunately doing the same thing he did when Begich let him go, right to the press.

I have heard from a few folks regarding his email that he sent the cabinet and the feeling is that no matter the situation and the reason for him being replacement his statement to the rest about not having access and don't let it happen to you was so inappropriate, folks have taken offense to his statements.

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Sent: Sat 7/12/2008 8:04 PM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Kyle Hopkins - ADN

Mike-

I talked with the Daily News tonight about Walt. Kyle was really pushing for specific reasons why Walt was let go. Apparently - Walt is telling reporters that he has all the respect for the Governor but is baffled as to why he was fired. I stuck to the company line but Kyle wanted more. He asked me to ask you for more details. I told him I would but didn't expect to get in touch with you tonight.

Sharon Leighow
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 2:21 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: DNR Media Release - Type 1 Fire Engines to California

Thanks Tom. Amazing to consider Alaskans helping in this. It's very good!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Fri, 11 Jul 2008 14:41:47 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: Fw: DNR Media Release - Type 1 Fire Engines to California

Fyi. In case you are asked, 4 major pieces of Ak fire equip in route to Ca. Also we now have over 500 firefighters helping Ca.

----- Original Message -----

From: picweb <picweb@dnr.state.ak.us>
To: DNR, Public Information Center Webmaster (DNR sponsored)
Sent: Fri Jul 11 11:17:35 2008
Subject: DNR Media Release - Type 1 Fire Engines to California

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MEDIA RELEASE

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Tom Irwin, Commissioner

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DIVISION OF Forestry/Mat-Su Borough EMS

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CONTACT: Matt Weaver/Patty Sullivan

RELEASE DATE: July 11, 2008

PHONE: 761-6233

745-9577

SUBJECT: Largest Mat-Su/Chugiak firefighting apparatus on the way to California

Today the National Interagency Command Center (NICC) formally requested Type 1 structural fire engines from Alaska for service in California's record breaking fire season. In response, the State Logistics Center in Fairbanks is coordinating the transfer of four of the largest structural firefighting engines to Cal Fire.

Three of the trucks are being furnished by Mat-Su Emergency Services; the fourth is being furnished by the Chugiak Volunteer fire department. Each engine will be staffed by a complement of 3 Mat-Su and Chugiak firefighters. The State Division of Forestry will be providing agency liaison Phillip Blydenburgh and mechanical support staff. Norm McDonald, Mat-Su Area fire management officer, states that this action shows terrific interagency cooperation. "To accomplish this mission, the Division of Forestry, the Mat-Su Borough, Chugiak Volunteer Fire Department, FEMA, NICC, and the US Forest Service all had to play their part". The engines will be transported through Canada on trucks and the crews will be reunited with their equipment in California.

These Type 1 engines are capable of carrying up to 1500 gallons of water and pumping at a rate of 1000 gallons a minute. Chris Olson, logistics coordinator of the Division of Forestry's Coastal Region, states that the power of this apparatus is the ability to lay down a tremendous quantity of water in a very short time.

All of the engines will be used by Cal Fire for structure protection. As of July 10th, there are still 97 outstanding, un-filled orders for structure protection engines for California.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 9:42 AM
To: Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR)
Subject: Re: Confidential-Legislature has shifted into political phase
Got it. And sorry it's getting to this point! The sooner the better on the vote.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 09:20:31 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV) <kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR)<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)<patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>
Subject: Confidential-Legislature has shifted into political phase

Governor,

I just want to let you know that all the feedback the Gasline Team is now receiving is that the legislative discussion has shifted to politics and totally away from substance. While it is still important for us to present well in the hearings, at the end of the day that will not determine the vote. What has now happened is the "trading" that is occurring behind the scenes - energy relief money as an exchange for AGIA votes. In fact one of the reasons both the House and Senate are delaying the vote is that our opponents recognize they can use other issues to challenge our AGIA support, and the longer things roll-out the more danger we are in of losing the votes.

Additionally, both bodies are now starting to jockey for leadership positions, which also complicates the situation. For instance, we hear an important Bush Democrat wants to be Speaker, so he doesn't want to completely irritate the House Republicans. This could result in a change in his position on the AGIA vote.

I draw this to your attention in order to emphasize that the discussion is now much more complicated. We will continue to work all the issues and stay on top of things as best we can. And we will continue to be in touch with you.

Thanks,
Marty

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 12:08 PM
To: K Perry Yahoo; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Frank Bailey
Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: your new ad (BB III)

Someone needs to publicize Scott's comments/sentiments, and give me the opportunity to counter with concerns about Darfur and China, etc and their treatments of human beings.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: krisandclark@yahoo.com
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 20:04:12 +0000
To: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Tom E (DNR) Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty K (DNR) Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; frank.bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
CC: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: your new ad (BB III)

Wow! Good for Scott. Tom/Marty, what can we do to help counter their efforts and set the record straight? Rec'd another email today from Cindy Roberts. I've copied Sharon also so she can see what is going and also help w/whatever needs helping.

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 19:55:45 +0000
To: Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fw: your new ad (BB III)

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 11:11:23 -0800
To: Malcolm B Roberts<mbroberts@gci.net>; Walter J. Hickett<wjhickel@gci.net>; Bill Walker<bill-wwa@ak.net>; mike kenny<mkenny@attalacom.net>; Mike Gallagher<mike@local341.com>
CC: Nick Stepovich<nstepo@hotmail.com>; Don Benson<dab@nhtiusa.com>; Kate Lamal<kkl@gvea.com>; Robert Favretto<rcf@kenaichrysler.com>; Scott R Heyworth<heyworth@gci.net>; <sullivans51@aol.com>; <patrick_galvin@revenue.state.ak.us>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us>; <joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us>; <marcia_davis@revenue.state.ak.us>
Subject: your new ad (BB III)

Malcolm and Wally,

I gave no permission to use my name in your new BB III ad. And I was never asked or contacted to use it.

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As you well know, I am a solid advocate of the passage of AGIA!

I sent you another note just yesterday reaffirming that position!

You can attempt to speak for 138,000 voters if you wish, but not for me.

AGIA did not even exist in 2002.

Now I see you have already sent this ad with my name in it to all the 60 Legislators.

I demand that you send out to all of them IMMEDIATELY a retraction of my name in that ad with a true explanation of my position stating you NEVER contacted me in any manner to use my name. And that I am on the record many, many times as supporting AGIA's passage!

I will take all available immediate legal actions if you do not. Today.

I am astonished that you and this new "splinter group" of BB II, forming something new called **BackBone III** would use my name in such a manner when you and all members of BackBone II know I do not support a NO vote on the AGIA legislation! I do not see Mayor Jim Whitakers's name in the YES column. And he has been in favor of AGIA for sometime now.

Fix this immediately. You all are and have already caused me great harm no doubt.

Sincerely,

Scott R. Heyworth.

p.s. Lord help if this AD is ever published with my name in it whatsoever. I am not nor have ever been any party to **BB III**.

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]

Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 5:20 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'

Subject: timing

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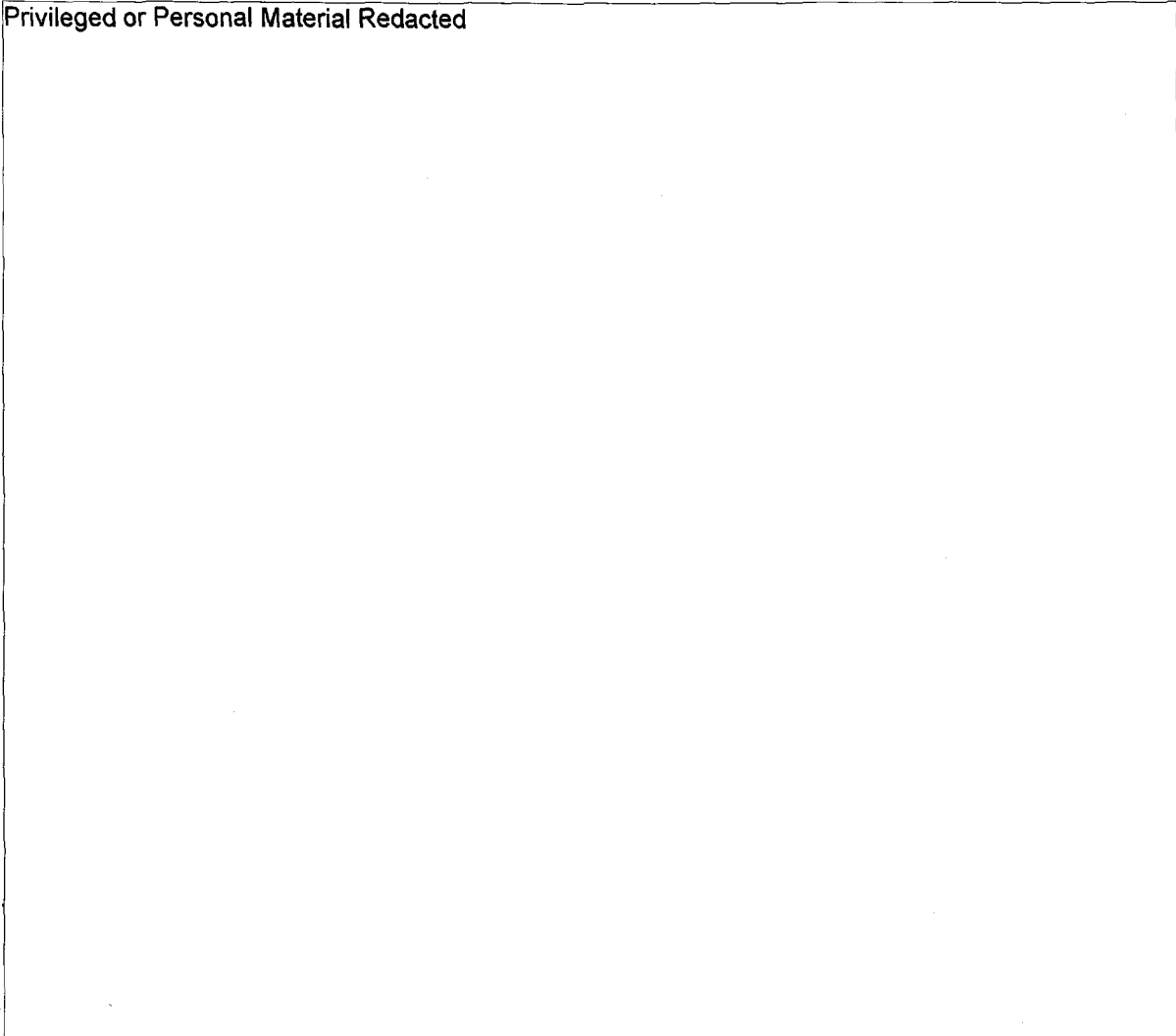
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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 4:25 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; 'ckopp@ci.kenai.ak.us'
Subject: Kopp press release for your review

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From: Rep. Mike Kelly [Representative_Mike_Kelly@legis.state.ak.us]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 9:54 AM
To: 'andora@nushtel.net'
Cc: Hoffman; Lyman F (LAA); Edgmon; Bryce E (LAA); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Commissioner; DOT (DOT sponsored); Notti; Emil R (CED); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: West and Southwest Roads AND Energy Grids

Hi, Nels. I'm with you 100%. You'll remember from our previous talk that I'm an incurable power guy. The News Miner chopped me off at 750 words or I'd have mentioned the T-lines and mines you suggest, plus Rock Creek; and would have thrown in the Palmer-Glenallen-Fairbanks T-line loop as well. If we do these things with our wealth instead of growing Government, we will empower our grandchildren rather than putting or keeping them on welfare. Please say Hi to Henry and Pearl and old Bouker if you see them. Thank you for your thoughtful input. Exciting times. Mike

----- Original Message -----

From: Nels and Dorothy <andora@nushtel.net>

To: Rep. Mike Kelly

Cc: Sen. Lyman Hoffman; Rep. Bryce Edgmon; Governor Palin <Governor@gov.state.ak.us>; dot.commissioner@alaska.gov <dot.commissioner@alaska.gov>; Commissioner Emil Notti <Emil_Notti@commerce.state.ak.us>; Commissioner Tom Irwin <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Sent: Sat Jul 12 07:18:53 2008

Subject: West and Southwest Roads AND Energy Grids

July 12, 2008

Dear Representative Kelly:

I pulled this out of your comment in the FBDNM. I comment below on your vision statement.

"Here's what I see:

- In 2010, standing on the west bank of the Nenana River, I can look across at the Healy Clean Coal Plant and hear the coal-steam turbine spinning out 400 million low-cost kilowatt hours to supply Interior Alaska homes and businesses.

- In 2014, I see the new Nome road departing Interior Alaska as it stretches 500 miles to our neighbors in Western Alaska.

- In 2020, I can look south to the Susitna River Hydroelectric project silently and cleanly pumping more than 1,000 megawatts of zero-fuel-cost power into the Railbelt power grid to light and power our homes and businesses.

What do you see?

Rep. Mike Kelly is a Fairbanks Republican representing House District 7."

My comments on your vision.

Thanks Rep. Kelly for that grand vision of what is needed. I hope you will target the need for a road but ALSO an energy grid system that will carry low cost energy you see being produced at the Healy Coal fired generator to communities outside of Fairbanks to the West. Without low cost energy, no industry will be able to start up, much less thrive.

I hope you also see a road AND an energy grid system connecting the Southwest Alaska region with a road system and the Railbelt Energy Grid. The road and energy grid system going Southwest should be in the state's planning mode as well as going West. A grid connecting Southwest Alaska will encourage economic development and new industries could be developed as you stated in your comment piece.

In 2020, I hope you also can see an energy grid system moving energy from the Susitna Hydro project that will provide energy to the Southwest Alaska portion of the state. Again, without low cost energy, projects like Donlin and Pebble cannot get off the ground.

I like your vision and hope your vision can include some of what I see that will help all Alaskans. Since state dollars that belong to all of us will be used to develop those energy and road projects, I would hope that you can support extending the grid system to include those of us outside of the Railbelt.

My best regards,

Nels Anderson, Jr.

Box 234

Dillingham, Alaska 99576

907-842-366

andora@nushtel.net

PS - And for what its worth, and if my opinion means anything at all, I support
AGIA.

cc: Senator Lyman Hoffman, Representative Bruce Edgmon, Governor Sarah Palin,
Commissioner Leo von Scheben, Commissioner Notti

Commissioner Tom Irwin

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 11:54 PM
To: Tara L. Jollie
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Walt

I wish he'd taken the offer to better serve the state by better utilizing his talents and connections with rural Alaska by accepting the ABC Board Ex Dir position- that way he'd be able to concentrate on bootlegging and the horrendous problems caused by alcohol in our rural communities. He's chosen not to accept that role in state service, but instead to exit state service entirely.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Tara L. Jollie" <leaddog@acsalaska.net>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 23:49:08 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Ivy personal<ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; frank bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: Walt

All:

I read what is on the ADL webpage. I think Sharon's response so far is good. I expect to get calls come Monday from the rural caucus and stakeholders in Rural Alaska and probably big native corps like AFN, CIRI, all the BB's, Pribilofs, Interior and Northwest.

My stance is that it is not unusual for an Administration to change people out as the Governor sees appropriate to meet her goals for Alaska. Let me know if I need to say something different. tj

Tara Jollie

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 2:24 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: Re: Congressman Boehner's Alaska Trip

Janice- what about flying up to fairbanks immediately after Anchorage picnic to attend this, is Saturday truly is best for them.

----- Original Message -----

From: John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
Sent: Fri Jul 11 11:42:08 2008
Subject: Congressman Boehner's Alaska Trip

I have made contact with the office of the House Minority Leader. The bottom line is that the Governor is invited to have dinner with Mr. Boehner and his entourage Saturday (July 19th) or Sunday in Fairbanks.

The staff recommends Saturday, because the House members will not be as tired, and the Governor could also offer some welcoming remarks. Sunday is less preferable for several reasons.

I also asked whether the Governor could actually accompany the entourage to the North Slope. The staff is checking with Mr. Boehner and will get back to me as soon as they can.

Please advise whether either July 19th or 20th is a possibility. I will let you know as soon as I hear about the North Slope portion of the trip.

P.S.

I understand that the Governor will meet with the Republican Challengers group on July 17th. So, there should be no conflict with Mr. Boehner's trip.

John W. Katz
Director of State/Federal Relations
and Special Counsel to the Governor

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 12:13 PM
To: K Perry Yahoo; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Frank Bailey
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: your new ad (BB III)

I meant to mention the China comment (below) with a reference to Cindy Roberts' ridiculous gender-referenced letter.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 20:08:21 +0000
To: K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
CC: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: your new ad (BB III)

Someone needs to publicize Scott's comments/sentiments, and give me the opportunity to counter with concerns about Darfur and China, etc and their treatments of human beings.

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From: krisandclark@yahoo.com
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 20:04:12 +0000
To: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Tom E (DNR) Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty K (DNR) Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; frank bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
CC: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: your new ad (BB III)

Wow! Good for Scott. Tom/Marty, what can we do to help counter their efforts and set the record straight? Rec'd another email today from Cindy Roberts. I've copied Sharon also so she can see what is going and also help w/whatever needs helping.

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 19:55:45 +0000
To: Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fw: your new ad (BB III)

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 11:11:23 -0800
To: Malcolm B Roberts<mbroberts@gci.net>; Walter J. Hickel<wjhickel@gci.net>; Bill Walker<bill-wwa@ak.net>; mike kenny<mkenny@attalasc.com.net>; Mike Gallagher<mike@local341.com>
CC: Nick Stepovich<nstepo@hotmail.com>; Don Benson<dab@nhtusa.com>; Kate

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Lamal<kk1@gvea.com>; Robert Favretto<rcf@kenaichrysler.com>; Scott R Heyworth<heyworth@gci.net>;
<sullivan51@aol.com>; <patrick_galvin@revenue.state.ak.us>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty
Rutherford<marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us>; <joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us>;
<marcia_davis@revenue.state.ak.us>
Subject: your new ad (BB III)

Malcolm and Wally,

I gave no permission to use my name in your new BB III ad. And I was never asked or contacted to use it.

As you well know, I am a solid advocate of the passage of AGIA!

I sent you another note just yesterday reaffirming that position!

You can attempt to speak for 138,000 voters if you wish, but not for me.

AGIA did not even exist in 2002.

Now I see you have already sent this ad with my name in it to all the 60 Legislators.

I demand that you send out to all of them IMMEDIATELY a retraction of my name in that ad with a true explanation of my position stating you NEVER contacted me in any manner to use my name. And that I am on the record many, many times as supporting AGIA's passage!

I will take all available immediate legal actions if you do not. Today.

I am astonished that you and this new "splinter group" of BB II, forming something new called **BackBone III** would use my name in such a manner when you and all members of BackBone II know I do not support a NO vote on the AGIA legislation! I do not see Mayor Jim Whitakers's name in the YES column. And he has been in favor of AGIA for sometime now.

Fix this immediately. You all are and have already caused me great harm no doubt.

Sincerely,

Scott R. Heyworth.

p.s. Lord help if this AD is ever published with my name in it whatsoever. I am not nor have ever been any party to **BB III**.

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Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 12:35 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Kim; Anna C (GOV)
Subject: Re: Status update on resource rebate bill
Have tom/marty seen this summary?

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 12:28:13 -0800
To: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV) <kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Kim, Anna C (GOV)<anna.kim@alaska.gov>
Subject: Status update on resource rebate bill

Governor:

Here is a status update from yesterday on the resource rebate bill, HB 4002.

Resource Rebate

House C & RA Schedule

This bill was schedule and brought up very briefly in House C & RA. Co-Chair Fairclough set out the following hearing schedule:

- July 15 @ 8:00 am in Juneau (1 hour to hear from just myself and Jerry Burnett from Revenue)
- July 17 @ 4:00 pm in Anchorage (Public testimony)
- July 22 @ 2:00 pm in Juneau (Testimony by invitation only)
- July 23 @ 10:00 am in Juneau (Public testimony)

Senate Finance Schedule

The Senate Finance committee is hearing 4 bills on July 15 @ 9:00 am, including the Senate version of the resource rebate bill. This means we will have to present quickly at House C & RA and run upstairs. (Kelly, can we check with Miles on Monday and see if he will move talk to Bert about moving this meeting to 9:30 am? If they won't we will need to have someone else on prepared and on standby in Senate Finance to present the resource rebate bill if I am still stuck in House C & RA. Who would you suggest?)

Substantive Issues

Other than setting the schedule, Rep. Fairclough mentioned some legal issues that had been brought to her attention by Rep. Lindsey Holmes. The two issues were:

- (1) the Federal constitutional issue with residency periods for need-based welfare programs. (Which is not what our resource rebate payment is); and
- (2) whether the bill causes legal problems or issues with the permanent fund? (Which we believe it does not since none of the funding comes from the Permanent Fund and we are setting up an entirely different program)

Rep. Fairclough asked us to have LAW ready to answer these questions at the hearing on July 22. I told

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her we had already looked at the issues, but would be prepared to answer them at the next hearing. My sense is democrats like Rep. Holmes and Rep. Gara want to change our bill to a needs based program. One way to try and get leverage to do that is to poke at the structure of our bill and try to get leverage to amend it into a needs based program. (Changing to a needs based program also happens to benefit a lot of their constituents) After we answer this set of legal questions, these same folks will probably come up with some more. Their goal is to try to find something that sticks or at least raises enough doubt that they gain votes for an amendment to a needs based program. We can't prevent them from raising issues, but we will answer them.

I am working with Chris Poag, Mike Barnhill, and Mike Ford on the legal issues. We have a meeting to review everything again this Tuesday. We will be ready to answer the questions on the record for Rep. Fairclough.

Next Steps

Since the LAW attorneys are usually off for the weekend, I am reviewing the research and the issues Rep. Fairclough asked about. I am also finishing up my opening statement. On Monday, I would also like to start meeting with the individual members of the committee to review the bill and answer questions, and try to count votes. (Kelly, can your office set up the meetings and would you like to come with me?) I am leaving the organization of any public testimony on the bills up to the Legislative Office. My plan is to keep preparing, present the best case possible to the committee, meet with them, answer questions, and try to count votes, and then do the same thing at Finance, the House Floor, etc.

Comments from Legislators

One legislator mentioned to me yesterday that Rep. Chenault prefers just tacking the amount of the resource rebate payment and motor fuel tax savings to everyone's permanent fund and issuing one check. Rep. Meyer was quoted in the ADN as saying:

"Kevin Meyer, an Anchorage Republican who serves as co-chairman on the House Finance Committee, said short-term needs must be addressed while various alternative statewide energy projects get under way. "The rebate, I look at it as a Band-Aid, and I think we need to do that now because that's something that can get to people fairly quickly," Meyer said. "I think the rebate, plus taking off 8 cents, are all things that we can do now," he said. "It will help bridge the gap until we can get some of these other things done."

The negative comments being relayed to me are coming in from Senate Leadership, particularly Senator Hoffman. Also, it is clear neither Speaker Harris or the Senate leadership are going to make the bill process easy. Referrals to lower committees, having chairs drag out hearings over two weeks, and scheduling hearings on top of each other are not helpful.

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Subject: Re: BackBone III flyer

Right on. Thank you so much. I appreciate your strength in this.

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From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 17:45:40 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)<patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV) <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV)<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Rowland, Mindy B (GOV)<mindy.rowland@alaska.gov>; Bailey, Frank T (GOV) <frank.bailey@alaska.gov>
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FYI.
Tom

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To: 'mroberts@gci.net' <mroberts@gci.net>; 'mal@gci.net' <mal@gci.net>
Cc: Bunde, Con (LAA); Cowdery, John (LAA); Davis, Bettye J (LAA); Dyson, Fred (LAA); Ellis, Johnny (LAA); Elton, Kim S (LAA); French, Hollis (LAA); Green, Lyda N (LAA); Hoffman, Lyman F (LAA); Huggins, Charlie (LAA); Kookesh, Albert (LAA); McGuire, Lesil L (LAA); Olson, Donny (LAA); Stedman, Bert K (LAA); Stevens, Gary L (LAA); Therriault, Gene (LAA); Thomas, Joe (LAA); Wagoner, Tom (LAA); Wielechowski, Bill (LAA); Wilken, Gary R (LAA); Buch, Bob (LAA); Chenault, Mike (LAA); Cissna, Sharon (LAA); Coghill, John (LAA); Crawford, Harry (LAA); Dahlstrom, Nancy (LAA); Doll, Andrea (LAA); Doogan, Mike (LAA); Edgmon, Bryce E (LAA); Fairclough, Anna (LAA); Foster, Neal (LAA); Gara, Les (LAA); Gardner, Berta (LAA); Gatto, Carl (LAA); Gruenberg, Max F (LAA); Guttenberg, David (LAA); Harris, John (LAA); Hawker, Mike (LAA); Holmes, Lindsey (LAA); Johansen, Kyle B (LAA); Johnson, Craig W (LAA); Joule, Reggie (LAA); Kawasaki, Scott Jw (LAA); Keller, Wes (LAA); Kelly, Mike (LAA); Kerttula, Beth (LAA); Ledoux, Gabrielle R (LAA); Lynn, Bob (LAA); Meyer, Kevin G (LAA); Nelson, Mary (LAA); Neuman, Mark A (LAA); Olson, Kurt E (LAA); 'jayramras@hotmail.com' <jayramras@hotmail.com>; Roses, Bob (LAA); Salmon, Woodie W (LAA); Samuels, Ralph (LAA); Seaton, Paul (LAA); Stoltze, Bill (LAA); Thomas, Bill (LAA); 'rep.peggy.wilson@legis.state.ak.us' <rep.peggy.wilson@legis.state.ak.us>
Sent: Sat Jul 12 17:40:14 2008
Subject: BackBone III flyer

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Finally, I believe a public apology to Marty Rutherford and the Gasline Team is appropriate. They are the best people we could have representing this state.

This a sad day,
Tom Irwin

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 11:34 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: WSJ Magazine

Thanks! I'll do that in the morning.

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 22:30:58 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: WSJ Magazine

Governor-

Just a reminder that Jen Murphy from the WSJ magazine would like a few minutes of your time to talk about diet and exercise. She can be reached at 732-581-6813. Thanks

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 2:03 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: Praying for you

Thanks so much Tom. My prayer for us and the state is that God has His way here. That we don't miss His will and that we are given the wisdom, the strength and the favor to let Him work through us. Also, that the right people are put in place to usher in that will. Thank you for the Isaiah reminder!

He has richly blessed us and our endeavors. Thank you Tom.

-----Original Message-----

From: Tom Irwin
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 12, 2008 4:06 AM
Subject: Praying for you

Governor,

I met with Senator Dyson today. It was a real blessing and encouragement to me. God knew that I needed Fred's visit. Fred prayed for both of us, and reminded me that we are a part of God's plan.

I want to provide that same encouragement and blessing to you. Tonight Sharon and I again prayed that God would bless you richly as Governor and the he would bless you and your family beyond measure.

I really praise God for you.

God's promise:

Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

...I will strengthen you and help you. I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 11:51 PM
To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Frank Bailey; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Wait

Posted on ADN website is his "fired" statement. Wish he had chosen to take the offer to serve the state in a better capacity for him- the bootlegging concentration through ABC position. Should we include that in presser now? I don't like his comment that "her new direction will be communicated in time". It's really not the best thing to have his communication to the public sound like it sounded in his departure memo.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 11:59 PM
To: Tara L. Jollie; Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Walt

It's a personnel matter, though Tara, so despite what he may say to the public... it's a personnel matter and no need to comment. I'll ask Mike to chime in if further comment for you to relay is necessary. Thanks!

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:54:23 +0000
To: Tara L. Jollie<leaddog@acsalaska.net>
CC: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Walt

I wish he'd taken the offer to better serve the state by better utilizing his talents and connections with rural Alaska by accepting the ABC Board Ex Dir position- that way he'd be able to concentrate on bootlegging and the horrendous problems caused by alcohol in our rural communities. He's chosen not to accept that role in state service, but instead to exit state service entirely.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Tara L. Jollie" <leaddog@acsalaska.net>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 23:49:08 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Ivy personal<ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; frank bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: Walt

All:

I read what is on the ADL webpage. I think Sharon's response so far is good. I expect to get calls come Monday from the rural caucus and stakeholders in Rural Alaska and probably big native corps like AFN, CIRI, all the BB's, Pribilofs, Interior and Northwest.

My stance is that it is not unusual for an Administration to change people out as the Governor sees appropriate to meet her goals for Alaska. Let me know if I need to say something different. tj

Tara Jollie

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Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 6:13 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Email

Dillon has already posted it.

----- Original Message -----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
To: ExternalEmailgsp
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Sat Jul 12 17:55:00 2008
Subject: Email

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
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Tom Irwin

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 5:11 PM
To: coleen@gci.net
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 10:49 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Coleen Mielke

address: 8485 North Wasilla Fishhook Road Wasilla AK 99654

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor,

I am a life long Alaskan as are my children and grandchildren. We have lived in Wasilla for 30 years. I am writing to you because I get the distinct feeling that you are going to publicly endorse Ted Stevens in the upcoming election. I know that you are obliged to do so for the Republican party sake, but I humbly ask you to reconsider. Not only is he under investigation for serious crimes, but he's basically too old. We need some youthful representation for Alaska and it needs to begin now; if Ted Stevens is re-elected, he will be nearly NINETY at the end of his term. While he is physically energetic...emotionally he is old and cranky. I won't get into my feelings about his legal issues, or the fact that we only see him in Alaska for election year photo opportunities)... however, PLEASE.....for the sake of a young vital Alaskan population, lets get someone in the Senate that can represent us in the long run. Mr. Stevens has done wonders for our state, but it's time he retires. I'm n

ot asking that you endorse anyone in particular, but PLEASE think twice before you endorse Ted Stevens.

Thanks,

Coleen

coleen@gci.net

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Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 2:43 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: DPS

Governor,

I spoke w/Mike, Walt did not accept the position. Sharon is working on a release for your review.

Kris

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 1:30 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Tonight

No, it's an informal mix and mingle "grazing" event as Susan relayed to me. Also, the 6:30 event at Liberty Center is for family also.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Sat Jul 12 13:18:56 2008
Subject: Re: Tonight

Does the dinner start right at 7? The girls want to walk to Macys in about 40 minutes.

-----Original Message-----

From: K Perry
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 12, 2008 5:11 PM
Subject: Tonight

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm: Private tour for Governors of the new Liberty Bell Center (this is the only Liberty Bell Center event I've found in the program).

7:00 - 10:00 pm: Centennial Celebration at National Constitution Center (all attendees).
Mix & mingle w/dinner.

Optional walking tour of the Lights of Liberty after dinner.

Please let me know what time you'd like the car to be ready to depart.

Thanks,

Kris

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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Kyle Hopkins - ADN

I haven't seen his memo to the cabinet and at this point I don't even want to. If his intention is to make it public then I am extremely disappointed in his action - especially when he'd been offered a more appropriate job assignment so he could help serve the state in a different capacity.

From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 23:57:13 -0800
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
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From: Lloyd, Denby S (DFG) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=DSLLOYD]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 3:54 AM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Confidential Fw: Personnel
Thank you Governor. DL.

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sun 7/13/2008 1:12 AM
To: Lloyd, Denby S (DFG)
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Denby - fyi on Walt, and I believe you'll enjoy working with Chuck:

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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 12:16 AM
To: Tara L. Jollie
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Walt

Thank you Tara. I wish, too, he wouldn't have interpreted this as a "demotion" offer.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Tara L. Jollie" <leaddog@acsalaska.net>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 00:13:50 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: 'Sharon Leighow' <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Walt

I understand that. Sometimes one's ego or pride gets in the way of the higher mission, like going from Commissioner to Director and the impression that it is a demotion. In that case, it is about the person and not the mission.

As part of your administration, I say we must keep our eye on the ball and do what's best for Alaskans. I don't want this situation to affect the vote on the energy bill. I want to stay focused on the gas line and Alaska's future economy! If I can help, let me know.

I just know Kookesh will be calling me first thing Monday morning. tj

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I wish he'd taken the offer to better serve the state by better utilizing his talents and connections with rural Alaska by accepting the ABC Board Ex Dir position- that way he'd be able to concentrate on bootlegging and the horrendous problems caused by alcohol in our rural communities. He's chosen not to accept that role in state service, but instead to exit state service entirely.

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From: "Tara L. Jollie" <leaddog@acsalaska.net>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 23:49:08 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; K Perry Yahoo <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Ivy personal <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; frank bailey <fb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: Walt
All:

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I read what is on the ADL webpage. I think Sharon's response so far is good. I expect to get calls come Monday from the rural caucus and stakeholders in Rural Alaska and probably big native corps like AFN, CIRI, all the BB's, Pribilofs, Interior and Northwest.

My stance is that it is not unusual for an Administration to change people out as the Governor sees appropriate to meet her goals for Alaska. Let me know if I need to say something different. tj

Tara Jollie

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 7:41 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Fw: summary of ADNs 4 gasline pcs
Where's Faircount's explanation via letter to the editor so we can shut up fagan finally?

From: Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 08:19:32 -0700 (PDT)
To: Sarah Palin<gov.palin@yahoo.com>; Kris Perry<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Frank Bailey<fbb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: summary of ADNs 4 gasline pcs

The ADN ran 4 gas pipeline/energy plan compass pieces in their Sunday addition written by: Gregg Erickson, Fagan, and Halcro. The fourth was the ADN editorial. Afre the summary I included the link for you guys.

ADN Editorial: The bottom line was With TransCanada's bid, the state has a strong card for getting what Alaska needs in the gas line game. This is no time to give that card up." Very positive piece. They write that they disagree with former Gov Knowles proposal to suspend AGIA saying it would work against the interest of Alaskans.
<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463266.html>

Erickson: He's praising the governor for her energy rebate plan. He agrees the payments represents a distribution of Alaskas resource wealth, and then goes thru some arguments from legislators: Doogan says the resources are commonly, not individually owned; Gara says we shouldnt give a divided to rich Alaskans (we could point out its optional to accept the rebate); lastly, he says some legislators dont see an end to giving out the rebate on an annual basis. He concludes with saying that Palins plan is better than any political alternative, and legislators should get over their fear of letting go of control of state resources.

<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463270.html>

Fagan: Fagan continues to write crap. This piece is about what he calls the list of all of the blunders of the administration and campaign. His list includes: Wasilla Chamber debate when the governor said shed favor Wasilla; demonizing the former Mat-Maid board and then replacing them all; a joint appearance by the governor and Tom Irwin on Fagans show when the governor said she was negotiating w producers and Tom said the state was not; the governor on the Pocarro show saying ACES creates an atmosphere of investment; the governor using the word competition to describe agia; the governor calls the denali project an 11 pg PowerPoint presentation; the governor accuse oil companies of warehousing our gas; the governor declares Pt Thompson is no longer needed to build a pipeline. He ended with saying the ultimate deception was crafting a carefully worded op-ed last week re: statehood book. He says he talked with the FL publishing company and they said they worked closely with the administration.

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Im happy to work with Sharon, Frank, Tom, etc on tracking down what was actually said during these various appearances to correct his untruths point by point.

<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463268.html>

Halcro: Halcro pc is on rah rah policy making. To try and discredit the in-state plan he used a quote from Doogan from last week, "As I understand it, what's different between today and the day before there was a press conference is that there has been the announcement of a partnership that has yet to be formed, to ship gas that has yet to be discovered in what seems to be the wrong direction, in a pipeline that has yet to be built and details will follow.

Halcro chooses not to mention that Doogan went on to commend the governor for trying to find a solution to the energy crisis, and for supporting an in-state line where Akns get gas first.

He also tries to discredit the argument that the TC plan is an insurance policy that keeps the producers honest. He writes that Pat Galvin said if a future legislature adopts new tax rules or fiscal certainty to move a gas pipeline forward and Denali also moves forward it will trigger the treble damages clause and the sate would be forced to pay TC more than \$100 million. Halcro calls it the Thelma and Louise insurance policy. We join hands with TC and it ensures we drive off the cliff.

<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463269.html>

I copied and pasted the entire article to Pat, Tom, and Marty to review, and copied Sharon.

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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 12:29 AM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Kyle Hopkins - ADN

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sun 7/13/2008 12:09 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Cc: K Perry Yahoo
Subject: Re: Kyle Hopkins - ADN

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From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 23:57:13 -0800
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 11:42 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Personnel

Dear governor palin. My sights are set on the 09 marathon as per instructions. TALIS.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 09:45:09 2008
Subject: Re: Personnel

At least you're out there. I drag my gasping lungs out on the trails maybe twice a week lately - and that's a good week.

I admire you! And still look forward to your completion of the '09 Mayors Marathon.

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 09:36:01 -0800
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From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TEIRWIN]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 11:28 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Fw: An apology and the revised ad

Fyi

----- Original Message -----

From: mbroberts@gci.net <mbroberts@gci.net>
To: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 11:08:31 2008
Subject: An apology and the revised ad

Dear Marty and the gasline team:

In an ad titled "Alaska? or Canada?" we listed those known for their support of a cross-Canada gasline.

After sending an advance copy to legislators, it was pointed out that including "The Corrupt Bastards Club" implied that others,

including you, are corrupt. That was not intended, and we apologize. That reference has been deleted from the newspaper

version of the ad (see attached).

Malcolm Roberts, coordinator, Backbone III

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From: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RHUGHES]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 10:21 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Confidential Fw: Personnel

PS, I look forward to sharing with you how things went in SE, Governor. I'd like to meet with you to tell you about it.

----- Original Message -----

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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 10:18 AM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Confidential Fw: Personnel

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Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Draft release for new DPS commissioner
Importance: High

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Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 22:17:03 +0000
To: Randy Ruaro<randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>; Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
CC: M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
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I think it's great. If anyone has anything else, that's fine... but it looks to me like it's good to go.

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Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 13:23:27 -0800
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
CC: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
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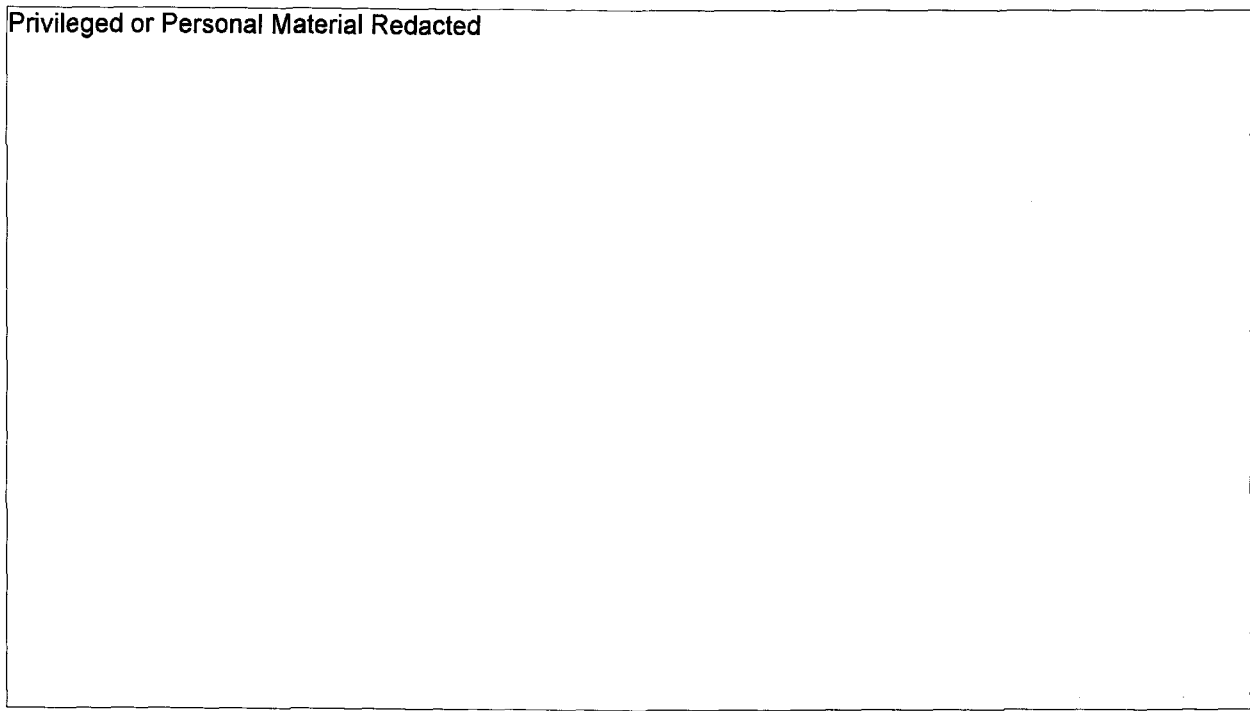
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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:47 AM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Thank you Governor. I'm sure I will work well with Chuck.

I'm sorry to read the stories in the paper. I know that's not the full story. It's been a tough weekend.

If there is anything we can do to help, just let us know.

-Pat

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
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To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Governor:

I am really looking forward to working with Chuck and accomplishing some priorities. With Chuck's leadership, I think we can get more done in the area of public safety this next session than we have in the last two.

I will be in Anchorage on the 17th and would like to spend as much time as possible with him reviewing issues and personnel.

He should also meet with Commissioner Kreitzer right away as she has ideas on how to change some existing DPS policies that impede recruiting. They also need to coordinate on all the staffing studies, etc., Audie Holloway has been working on. I will talk to her about this tomorrow and see if she is also available on the 17th.

I am also working on a draft press release / announcement for Sharon to review on his hiring and will mention a few specific areas that he will be focusing on right away. I will coordinate with her and Mike Nizich today. I will cc: it to you for review. Thanks.

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To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
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Thanks Governor,

I hope Walt can exit gracefully. I worked with Chuck on the Police Standards Counsel, and he seems like a well spoken, professional guy. Once announcements are made, I'll call him and offer support and welcome him aboard. Your recent example of supporting "clean-up" and ethics within public safety is loud and clear in the public, so he should have no problem moving the right way.

thanx for the heads up, talk to you later

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From: Hartig, Lawrence L (DEC) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LLHARTIG]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 8:11 AM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Governor,

Thanks for your email. I look forward to working with Chuck and supporting his efforts in any way I can. You have a good team of cabinet members and I know he will get everyone else's support as well. Helping rural Alaska transition to a new regime of higher fuel prices and tightening budgets will take all our creativity and teamwork.

At DEC, we are seeing impacts from the higher fuel prices in our Village Safe Water program. Villages are spending money on fuel that use to go to maintenance and replacement parts. A number of villages anticipate not having enough money to purchase the fuel they need this winter to heat and run the systems. In some instances, if a system freezes, it would have to be replaced. I am having our staff inventory where all of the villages we serve stand going into the winter. We will then assess what additional support we might be able to bring, with the help of others, to the villages.

I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming picnics - lets hope for a break in this weather.

Larry

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sun 7/13/2008 12:56 AM
To: Hartig, Lawrence L (DEC)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Larry- fyi on Walt, and I think you'll enjoy working with Chuck:

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Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:34:16

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Subject: Personnel

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 9:02 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Personnel

Thankyou. Mike Nizich and frank Bailey had filled me in. Do not look at the talkeetna moose dropping 5k results. Must be a typo on my time. TALIS.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 00:37:58 2008
Subject: Fw: Personnel

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 2:17 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Draft release for new DPS commissioner

I think it's great. If anyone has anything else, that's fine... but it looks to me like it's good to go.

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Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 13:23:27 -0800
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
CC: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Subject: Draft release for new DPS commissioner

Sharon:

Sorry for the computer glitch. The attachment of the draft in WORD may not have made it through this morning. Here is a slightly more polished version. I tried to put a few sentences in to remind readers the

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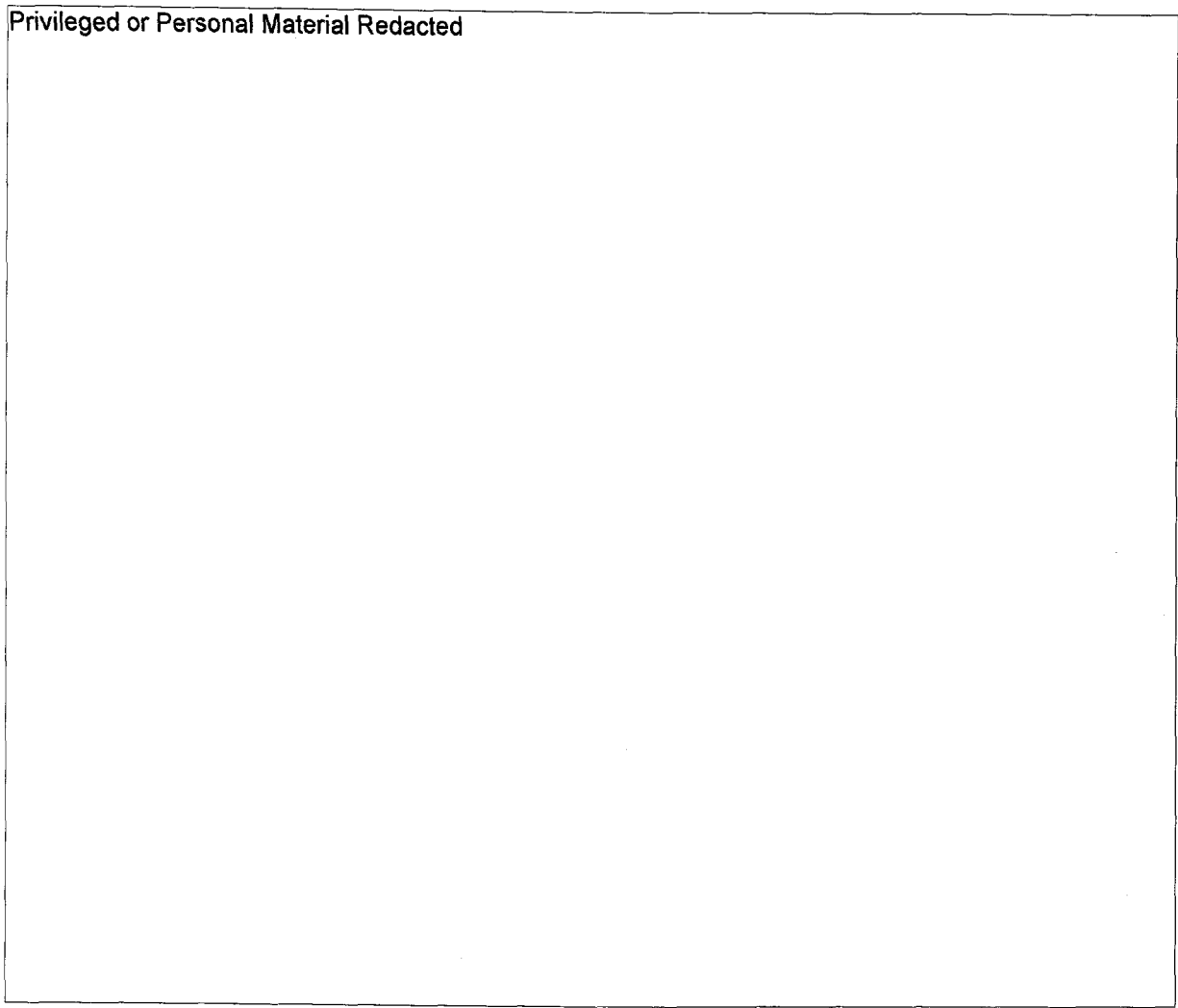
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Feel free to use or edit as you wish.

Randy

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Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 12:48 PM
To: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Notice

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 12:47:27 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)<patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>
Subject: Fw: Notice

Fyi

----- Original Message -----

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>
To: Walter J. Hickel <wjhickel@gci.net>; Malcolm B Roberts <mbroberts@gci.net>; Bill Walker <bill-wwa@ak.net>; mike kenny <mkenny@attalacom.net>; Mike Gallagher <mike@local341.com>
Cc: Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Nick Stepovich <nstepo@hotmail.com>; Don Benson <dab@nhtiusa.com>; Kate Lamal <kkl@gvea.com>; Robert Favretto <rcf@kenaichrysler.com>; Scott R Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>; sullivan51@aol.com <sullivan51@aol.com>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Davis, Marcia R (DOR); Heinze, Harold C (JPO)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 12:33:06 2008
Subject: Notice

Dear Gov. Hickel, Mr. Roberts, and Backbone, et al.:

As you have all failed to respond to my 24 hour deadline to not use my name in any advertising you are undertaking under the names of "BBII", "BBII", "BBI", "Backbone", or any other entity under your control, this email is to give written notice that tomorrow, Monday, July 14, 2008, I will be retaining legal representation regarding the use of my name in your advertising. My name is not to be used in current, planned, or unpublished advertising of any entity of Backbone.

Yesterday, I clearly asked you to not use my name in any Backbone advertising, and since I have had no response from anyone associated with Backbone regarding this issue, my only conclusion is that you still plan to use my name, despite my continued requests to stop and desist from using my name, associated with any advertising by Backbone and its subsidiaries.

I have also not received any apology.

Sincerely,

Scott R. Heyworth

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From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=AEKREITZER]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 3:47 AM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Great choice.

ak

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sun 7/13/2008 12:57 AM
To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Annette: fyi on Walt, and I'm sure we'll enjoy working with Chuck:

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To: Sean personal2 <Privileged or Personal >

Subject: Personnel

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From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TEIRWIN]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:16 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: BackBone III flyer

I am sure glad you feel this way!!! I know we are not censored but as a courtesy I hadn't let you see my email ahead of time.

We had to speak up immediately for Marty, our people and for what is right. We are getting great letters of support from Legis, David Gottstein, and Scott Heyworth. God bless. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV); Rowland, Mindy B (GOV); Bailey, Frank T (GOV)
Sent: Sat Jul 12 18:45:00 2008
Subject: Re: BackBone III flyer

Right on. Thank you so much. I appreciate your strength in this.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2008 17:45:40 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)<patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV)<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; Rowland, Mindy B (GOV)<mindy.rowland@alaska.gov>; Bailey, Frank T (GOV)<frank.bailey@alaska.gov>
Subject: Fw: BackBone III flyer

FYI.

Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

To: 'mroberts@gci.net' <mroberts@gci.net>; 'mal@gci.net' <mal@gci.net>

Cc: Bunde, Con (LAA); Cowdery, John (LAA); Davis, Bettye J (LAA); Dyson, Fred (LAA); Ellis, Johnny (LAA); Elton, Kim S (LAA); French, Hollis (LAA); Green, Lyda N (LAA); Hoffman, Lyman F (LAA); Huggins, Charlie (LAA); Kookesh, Albert (LAA); McGuire, Lesil L (LAA); Olson, Donny (LAA); Stedman, Bert K (LAA); Stevens, Gary L (LAA); Therriault, Gene (LAA); Thomas, Joe (LAA); Wagoner, Tom (LAA); Wielechowski, Bill (LAA); Wilken, Gary R (LAA); Buch, Bob (LAA); Chenault, Mike (LAA); Cissna, Sharon (LAA); Coghill, John (LAA); Crawford, Harry (LAA); Dahlstrom, Nancy (LAA); Doll, Andrea (LAA); Doogan, Mike (LAA); Edgmon, Bryce E (LAA); Fairclough, Anna (LAA); Foster, Neal (LAA); Gara, Les (LAA); Gardner, Berta (LAA); Gatto, Carl (LAA); Gruenberg, Max F (LAA); Guttenberg, David (LAA); Harris, John (LAA); Hawker, Mike (LAA); Holmes, Lindsey (LAA); Johansen, Kyle B (LAA); Johnson, Craig W (LAA); Joule, Reggie (LAA); Kawasaki, Scott Jw (LAA); Keller, Wes (LAA); Kelly, Mike (LAA); Kerttula, Beth (LAA); Ledoux, Gabrielle R (LAA); Lynn, Bob (LAA); Meyer, Kevin G (LAA); Nelson, Mary (LAA); Neuman, Mark A (LAA); Olson, Kurt E (LAA); 'jayramras@hotmail.com' <jayramras@hotmail.com>; Roses, Bob (LAA); Salmon, Woodie W (LAA); Samuels, Ralph (LAA); Seaton, Paul (LAA); Stoltze, Bill (LAA); Thomas, Bill (LAA); 'rep.peggy.wilson@legis.state.ak.us' <rep.peggy.wilson@legis.state.ak.us>

Sent: Sat Jul 12 17:40:14 2008

Subject: BackBone III flyer

Governor Hickel & Malcolm,

It is with extreme disappointment that I send this email. I am speaking about the BackBone III flyer you just sent to all 60 Alaska Legislators. And I know many other people share my indignation and disgust.

It is totally inappropriate to imply that good government doesn't allow for differing opinions. And it is totally wrong to imply that the Palin Administration isn't working around the clock to protect the State of Alaska, and every individual Alaskans' interests.

We are a state that has amazing potential, with many options available to us. To suggest that choosing a gasline option that differs from your vision is somehow corrupt is so wrong. And it ignores the reality - which is that we can do both projects! The AGIA project will allow an LNG option to proceed if there is market interest in doing so. Nothing in AGIA limits the LNG interests.

It is beyond imagination and good taste that you have chosen to use individuals names as supporting your position without first getting their permission, or who are regretfully not alive to have participated in the AGIA discussion.

Most of all, I am totally and irrevocably disgusted in the insinuation that Marty Rutherford or the Gasline Team has anything but the highest standards in achieving what this state needs, which is a fair, open and transparent process. In fact you have previously commended them for looking out for Alaska's interests. Now I can only that your definition of looking out for Alaska's interests only means doing what you think is best.

Finally, I believe a public apology to Marty Rutherford and the Gasline Team is appropriate. They are the best people we could have representing this state.

This a sad day,

Tom Irwin

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:14 AM
To: Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Hi Karen - fyi on Walt, and I believe you'll enjoy working with Chuck:

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To: Sean personal2 <Privileged or Personal >

Subject: Personnel

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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 9:11 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: summary of ADNs 4 gasline pcs

Governor-

Chris Constant submitted a letter to the editor on Thursday. They haven't printed it yet. I will follow up.

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

465-4031 Juneau
269-7450 Anchorage
240-7943 cell

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 7:41 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Fw: summary of ADNs 4 gasline pcs

Where's Faircount's explanation via letter to the editor so we can shut up fagan finally?

From: Ivy Frye <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 08:19:32 -0700 (PDT)
To: Sarah Palin<gov.palin@yahoo.com>; Kris Perry<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: summary of ADNs 4 gasline pcs
The ADN ran 4 gas pipeline/energy plan compass pieces in their Sunday addition written by: Gregg Erickson, Fagan, and Halcro. The fourth was the ADN editorial. Afire the summary I included the link for you guys.

ADN Editorial: The bottom line was With TransCanada's bid, the state has a strong card for getting what Alaska needs in the gas line game. This is no time to give that card up." Very positive piece. They write that they disagree with former Gov Knowles proposal to suspend AGIA saying it would work against the interest of Alaskans. <http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463266.html>

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<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463270.html>

Fagan: Fagan continues to write crap. This piece is about what he calls the list of all of the blunders of the administration and campaign. His list includes: Wasilla Chamber debate when the governor said shed favor Wasilla; demonizing the former Mat-Maid board and then replacing them all; a joint appearance by the governor and Tom Irwin on Fagans show when the governor said she was negotiating w producers and Tom said the state was not; the governor on the Pocarro show saying ACES creates an atmosphere of investment; the governor using the word competition to describe agia; the governor calls the denali project an 11 pg PowerPoint presentation; the governor accuse oil companies of warehousing our gas; the governor declares Pt Thompson is no longer needed to build a pipeline. He ended with saying the ultimate deception was crafting a carefully worded op-ed last week re: statehood book. He says he talked with the FL publishing company and they said they worked closely with the administration.

Im happy to work with Sharon, Frank, Tom, etc on tracking down what was actually said during these various appearances to correct his untruths point by point.

<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463268.html>

Halcro: Halcro pc is on rah rah policy making. To try and discredit the in-state plan he used a quote from Doogan from last week, "As I understand it, what's different between today and the day before there was a press conference is that there has been the announcement of a partnership that has yet to be formed, to ship gas that has yet to be discovered in what seems to be the wrong direction, in a pipeline that has yet to be built and details will follow.

Halcro chooses not to mention that Doogan went on to commend the governor for trying to find a solution to the energy crisis, and for supporting an in-state line where Akns get gas first.

He also tries to discredit the argument that the TC plan is an insurance policy that keeps the producers honest. He writes that Pat Galvin said if a future legislature adopts new tax rules or fiscal certainty to move a gas pipeline forward and Denali also moves forward it will trigger the treble damages clause and the sate would be forced to pay TC more than \$100 million. Halcro calls it the Thelma and Louise insurance policy. We join hands with TC and it ensures we drive off the cliff.

<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463269.html>

I copied and pasted the entire article to Pat, Tom, and Marty to review, and copied Sharon.

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:12 AM
To: Lloyd; Denby S (DFG)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Denby - fyi on Walt, and I believe you'll enjoy working with Chuck:

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Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:34:16

To: Sean personal2 <Privileged or Personal >

Subject: Personnel

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:11 AM
To: Bishop; Clark C (DOL)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Hi Click- fyi on Walt, and you'll enjoy working with Chuck, he's a great guy:

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Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:34:16

To: Sean persona12<Privileged or Personal>

Subject: Personnel

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:06 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Subject: Re: ConfidentialFw: Personnel

Thank you both for doing the most outstanding job. You're sincerely appreciated.

-----Original Message-----

From: Tom Irwin
To: Sarah's Personal Email
To: Marty Rutherford
Sent: Jul 13, 2008 5:05 AM
Subject: Re: ConfidentialFw: Personnel

Governor, you can count on us. We will be there supporting you. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 00:40:36 2008
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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:02 AM
To: Notti; Emil R (CED); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Leo and Emil, fyi on Walt... and I believe you'll really like working with Chuck:

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:01 AM
To: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Rosanne- You'll like Chuck Kopp, he's an awesome guy! See below:

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From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [annette.kreitzer@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 12:58 AM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: Out of Office AutoReply: Confidential Fw: Personnel

I am out of the office from Saturday, July 5 through Tuesday, July 15. Please contact Deputy Commissioners Kevin Brooks 465-5668 or Rachael Petro 269-5795 if you need immediate assistance. I will not always have access to my email or to voice mail messages.

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 12:58 AM
To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
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Annette: fyi on Walt, and I'm sure we'll enjoy working with Chuck:

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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 12:38 AM
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Subject: Fw: Personnel

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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 9:16 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: summary of ADNs 4 gasline pcs
Thanks!

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 09:10:49 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: summary of ADNs 4 gasline pcs

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Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
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Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 08:19:32 -0700 (PDT)
To: Sarah Palin<gov.palin@yahoo.com>; Kris Perry<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
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legislators: Doogan says the resources are commonly, not individually owned; Gara says we shouldn't give a dividend to rich Alaskans (we could point out it's optional to accept the rebate); lastly, he says some legislators don't see an end to giving out the rebate on an annual basis. He concludes with saying that Palin's plan is better than any political alternative, and legislators should get over their fear of letting go of control of state resources.

<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463270.html>

Fagan: Fagan continues to write crap. This piece is about what he calls the list of all of the blunders of the administration and campaign. His list includes: Wasilla Chamber debate when the governor said she'd favor Wasilla; demonizing the former Mat-Maid board and then replacing them all; a joint appearance by the governor and Tom Irwin on Fagan's show when the governor said she was negotiating w producers and Tom said the state was not; the governor on the Pocarro show saying ACES creates an atmosphere of investment; the governor using the word competition to describe AGIA; the governor calls the Denali project an 11 pg PowerPoint presentation; the governor accuses oil companies of warehousing our gas; the governor declares Pt Thompson is no longer needed to build a pipeline. He ended with saying the ultimate deception was crafting a carefully worded op-ed last week re: statehood book. He says he talked with the FL publishing company and they said they worked closely with the administration.

I'm happy to work with Sharon, Frank, Tom, etc on tracking down what was actually said during these various appearances to correct his untruths point by point.

<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463268.html>

Halcro: Halcro is on rah rah policy making. To try and discredit the in-state plan he used a quote from Doogan from last week, "As I understand it, what's different between today and the day before there was a press conference is that there has been the announcement of a partnership that has yet to be formed, to ship gas that has yet to be discovered in what seems to be the wrong direction, in a pipeline that has yet to be built and details will follow.

Halcro chooses not to mention that Doogan went on to commend the governor for trying to find a solution to the energy crisis, and for supporting an in-state line where Alaska gets gas first.

He also tries to discredit the argument that the TC plan is an insurance policy that keeps the producers honest. He writes that Pat Galvin said if a future legislature adopts new tax rules or fiscal certainty to move a gas pipeline forward and Denali also moves forward it will trigger the treble damages clause and the state would be forced to pay TC more than \$100 million. Halcro calls it the Thelma and Louise insurance policy. We join hands with TC and it ensures we drive off the cliff.

<http://www.adn.com/opinion/story/463269.html>

I copied and pasted the entire article to Pat, Tom, and Marty to review, and copied Sharon.

9/18/2009

Unknown

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 9:45 AM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: Personnel

At least you're out there. I drag my gasping lungs out on the trails maybe twice a week lately - and that's a good week.
I admire you! And still look forward to your completion of the '09 Mayors Marathon.

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 09:36:01 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Personnel

I don't want talk about it.

----- Original Message -----
From: gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 09:18:28 2008
Subject: Fw: Personnel

I was thinking 10k...
So was your time under 18?!

-----Original Message-----
From: gov.palin@yahoo.com

Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 17:17:18
To: Talis Colberg <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Personnel

Under 48?!!!

-----Original Message-----
From: Talis Colberg
To: Sarah's Personal Email
Sent: Jul 13, 2008 1:02 PM
Subject: Re: Personnel

Thankyou. Mike Nizich and frank Bailey had filled me in. Do not look at the talkeetna moose dropping 5k results. Must be a typo on my time. TALIS.

----- Original Message -----
From: gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 00:37:58 2008
Subject: Fw: Personnel

Fyi on Walt

-----Original Message-----
From: gov.palin@yahoo.com

Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:34:16
To: Sean personal2 <Privileged or Pers>
Subject: Personnel

9/18/2009

We're replacing Walt with Chuck Kopp from Kenai. It's all good. Except we asked Walt to move to the ABC Board Ex Dir position so he could utilize his talents and connections with Rural Ak and help address the bootlegging problem (leading to horrendous other problems) in our villages... he said no to that offer. Chuck starts on Monday.

9/18/2009

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Unknown

From: Benny Big [paint_boy_big_ben@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 11:48 AM

To: Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)

Cc: Palin; Sarah H (GOV)

Subject: Cost Savings

Are all state employees going to get the same offer to drive home State vehicles like DOT Maintenance is doing as a cost saving to the employee.

I see these (crew cabs, vans, 4x4's heavy duty trucks) everyday and on weekends to and from work, parked in driveways at night and over the weekends, WalMat, recreational areas like last week while dip netting at Chitina.. children passengers in the morning and evenings, pulling campers.....

I get called in at odd hours all the time to work, does this justify getting a State vehicle for myself too.....take care of this, or I will find someone that will....thankyou Ben

9/18/2009

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Unknown

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 3:18 PM
To: Bishop; Clark C (DOL)
Subject: Re: Confidential Fw: Personnel

You answered on a blackberry?! I love ya!

-----Original Message-----

From: Click Bishop
To: Sarah's Personal Email
Sent: Jul 13, 2008 6:50 PM
Subject: Re: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Gov palin thanks for the update I had a great time at dillingham also I will be in juneau on monday and I am off to whitehorse on tuesday to discuss cross border labor agreements sent from my blackberry how about that click

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
To: Bishop, Clark C (DOL)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 01:11:07 2008
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Hi Click- fyi on Walt, and you'll enjoy working with Chuck, he's a great guy:

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com

Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:34:16
To: Sean personal2 <Privileged or Personal >
Subject: Personnel

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From: Bishop, Clark C (DOL) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=CCBISHOP]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 2:51 PM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Confidential Fw: Personnel

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Sent: Sun Jul 13 01:11:07 2008
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com

Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:34:16

To: Sean persona12 <Privileged or Personal >

Subject: Personnel

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Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:52 PM
To: tinawensel@hotmail.com
Subject: RE: Seniors

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 3:23 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Ms. Tina Wensel
address: PO Box 4455 Palmer AK 99645
(907)232-4848

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Sarah Palin;

I am a 34 year resident of the Mat-Su Valley and have been aggressively following my dream of opening a community activity center for children and teens. I have been working on my business plan and discussing my business opportunities with the Mat-Su Small Business Development Center in Wasilla. I have sourced out several different ideas and activities for small children and teens. I have friends with children with special needs and would like to focus part of my business on catering to their needs with fun and interactive games and activities. Through discussions with family who have established businesses in the valley like my foster mom Dr. Natalie Beyeler they all think this type of center is needed to help our children have a positive place to go year round. I want to focus the center around interaction between parents and children.

Through a positive and friendly environment I plan on creating a center that will help kids stay safe and busy throughout the year. One of the programs is to help focus on school grades and the participation and interaction between young adults and the elderly, who are sometimes segregated from young children, are particularly important to another aspect of our mission - to facilitate community between generations. From experience working as a volunteer at the pioneer home, the older person who reads to young children feels needed and appreciated. The young child who sees teenagers perform music or drama sees possibilities for themselves. Our partnerships with local senior centers, pioneer home and schools will help establish relationships that simultaneously support families, young adults, and seniors.

I plan on giving any unsold items and nutritional food from the community center café to the local churches, charities and food banks or perhaps including a food bank in the center itself.

Another aspect I would like to see in our community center is to help the community out by raising money for the non-profit groups and our schools. I have lots of ideas and different programs that would help our children, like teaching our children how to recycle, have an after school tutor program. I am a single mother of two beautiful children one is 15yrs and my baby is 6 months old. I currently work on the slope as a plant operator for Bp at North Star Island; I have been up here for 8yrs. I love my job very much. But, my dream in life is to work with children and help single mothers in guiding their children and others in the right path. If it wasn't for people like my mom who cared and took me in and loved me like one of her own, who knows what could have happened to me. I would love to give back to the community and help with our children in the valley. By offering assistance and a sponsored shelter program.

If you could help me by guiding me in the right direction by discussing any opportunities and ideas by setting up a meeting. I would like to share my business plan and ideas with you and see if you might have any ideas on grants or sponsors that may give me a direction where to start. This would help in developing this dream. I would really appreciate it. Thank you for your time.

Kind Regards

Tina Wensel

PO box 4455

Palmer, Ak 99645

Cell (907)232-4848

Wk (907)670-3515

tinawensel@hotmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:52 PM
To: netherman79@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Elections

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 3:43 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Michael Netherland
address: 514 Oakham Ct Severna Park MD 21146

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin,

In my letter below, I warn the Lt. Governor in his campaign to unseat Cong. Don Young to be on the look out for the establishment GOP types who will try to undermine his efforts by funding and campaigning for the incumbent.

While I have the utmost respect for you and your fellow Republicans, I think I must express my hope, for the good of Alaskans and the nation, that you use your influence to keep the establishment GOP out of the primary campaign and let the Republican voters decide who would lead them in Congress.

Thanks.

I just found out about your campaign to unseat Don Young, from the Club for Growth. Beating an entrenched incumbent can be done. We did it here in MD's District 1, where Andy Harris beat 9-term Congressman Wayne Gilchrest.

Now, I want to urge you to be wary of the establishment Republicans who will try to stop change from happening in Alaska and in Congress as a whole. Despite the fact some of them write books with such titles as "Real Change," they will come to your District and campaign for the status quo.

No matter how liberal and embarrassing he is to conservative Republicans, they will come and stump for Don Young. I am posting this on my blog at Newt.org (<http://newt.org/tabid/97/pid/238/Default.aspx>), and I am sending a copy to your GOP chairman and to Gov. Pallin. The message will be get behind Real Change in Alaska or get out of the way.

Stick to your conservative principles, eschew the politically correct lexicon of the liberal left, and show Alaskans, the toughest people on earth, that they don't have to be represented by a pork-barrel politician; that they can add the voice of a conservative statesman instead, one who will help lead the GOP back to its noble roots in limited government and a strong defense.

Show them what a real Republican can do to support reforms in National government for the good of all Americans, not just a few living on a remote island in Alaska.

I could go on and on. But you get the message. Conservatism can win when clearly articulated. By the way, John McCain has no coattails, in case you haven't noticed. It's one thing to support his campaign, but don't feel obligated to mimick his campaign. There is very little redeeming about the candidate other than he is not a Democrat.

Thanks for taking the time to read this and GOOD LUCK!!!

netherman79@gmail.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:40 PM
To: kevinreliott@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 7:47 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Kevin Elliott
address: 1316 Misawa Court Vallejo CA 94591
707 557 9340

MESSAGE:

I am a senior vice president with Hill & Knowlton in our San Francisco office. I lead our corporate practice here and work with chief executives of some of America's leading companies on reputation, issues and the like. I began my career working for former United States Senator Pete Wilson as his field director. I would like to offer my help on advance, media or whatever other support I can lend if the Governor might be considering a trip to California for any reason. I would love to see and hear from her down here; there are important issues this campaign season on which we need to hear from her.

I will also be a professional volunteer at the GOP convention in MN in September. I would welcome the opportunity to offer my support for her there as well.

Best of luck!

Kevin

kevinrelliott@yahoo.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:36 PM
To: Wilken; Jessica M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Fish_and_Game

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 10:45 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Fish_and_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Jim Spencer
address: 6210 W Robin Hood Lane Wasilla AK 99654

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

To be certain you understand the intent of this note, I wish to begin by telling you I am one of your biggest fans. I read an article today in the ADN concerning the "foreign processors" issue. I ask that you be careful in this area as the article clearly indicates the issue directly effects the livelihood of your husband. It's sad that so many have betrayed the public trust so often that every action comes under a microscope; but, that is the current reality of public life. Perhaps you can defer judgement to some other officials to ensure there is no reason to question motives. The last thing I want to see is your antagonists get an issue with which they can create doubt.

Thanks for the great job...thanks for governing with integrity.

Sincerely,

Jim Spencer

spencerj@mtaonline.net

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:29 PM
To: gogretel@alaska.com
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2008 10:22 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Gretchen Morgan
address: 1203 W.46th Ave Anchorage AK 99503
907-770-6058

MESSAGE:

Please support and encourage support for Covenant House. As a former runaway (1978) I had no safe place to go. The abuse at home was increasing and no help in site. These kids are our future so if you can't or don't encourage support, I have no doubt they will when they be sympathetic to future generations.

gogretel@alaska.com

Unknown

From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:15 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Fw: In response to your email

FYI

----- Original Message -----

From: Collins, Donna S (GOV)
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 13:07:46 2008
Subject: FW: In response to your email

From: mal@gci.net [mailto:mal@gci.net]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:05 PM
To: Collins, Donna S (GOV)
Cc: wjhickel@gci.net
Subject: In response to your email

Dear Governor Palin:
2008

June 13,

Thank you for your email. When we wrote the "Alaska? or Canada?" ad, we listed those known for their support of a Canadian gasline.

By including "The Corrupt Bastards Club" (whose members do in fact back a Canadian line) that list implied that others were corrupt. This was not intended. The ad has been corrected (see attached) and an apology sent to Marty and her team.

We remember well your Inaugural Address when you called on the people to hold you accountable. We believe that the legislature should be held to that same standard.

We strongly stand by the message of this ad in its final form. It would be a grave mistake to give a foreign country, however friendly, the power to decide when, if ever, a pipeline is built and who will enjoy the "maximum benefit" of this resource owned by all Alaskans.

Sincerely,

Malcolm Roberts, coordinator, Backbone III

Unknown

From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TEIRWIN]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 12:47 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR)
Subject: Fw: Notice

Fyi

----- Original Message -----

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>

To: Walter J. Hickel <wjhickel@gci.net>; Malcolm B Roberts <mbroberts@gci.net>; Bill Walker <bill-wwa@ak.net>; mike kenny <mkenny@attalasc.com>; Mike Gallagher <mike@local341.com>

Cc: Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Nick Stepovich <nstepo@hotmail.com>; Don Benson <dab@nhtiusa.com>; Kate Lamal <kkl@gvea.com>; Robert Favretto <rcf@kenaichrysler.com>; Scott R Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>; sullivan51@aol.com <sullivan51@aol.com>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Davis, Marcia R (DOR); Heinze, Harold C (JPO)

Sent: Sun Jul 13 12:33:06 2008

Subject: Notice

Dear Gov. Hickel, Mr. Roberts, and Backbone, et al.:

As you have all failed to respond to my 24 hour deadline to not use my name in any advertising you are undertaking under the names of "BBIII", "BBII", "BBI", "Backbone", or any other entity under your control, this email is to give written notice that tomorrow, Monday, July 14, 2008, I will be retaining legal representation regarding the use of my name in your advertising. My name is not to be used in current, planned, or unpublished advertising of any entity of Backbone.

Yesterday, I clearly asked you to not use my name in any Backbone advertising, and since I have had no response from anyone associated with Backbone regarding this issue, my only conclusion is that you still plan to use my name, despite my continued requests to stop and decrease from using my name, associated with any advertising by Backbone and its subsidiaries.

I have also not received any apology.

Sincerely,

Scott R. Heyworth

Unknown

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 12:30 PM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: Fw:

FYI. Also doesn't sound like the BB111 ad ran. Heyworth's name is still listed in the revision and I'll ck on what he's doing.

----- Original Message -----

From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Sun Jul 13 12:24:15 2008
Subject:

I talked to Rhonda this morning. She had only gotten Walt's perspective on things. I talked to her about being positive and that we were disappointed that he did not want to consider the other position that he could have really excelled in. Anyway she seems ok with the conversation and was appreciative that I called her.

The papers this morning and last night just indicated that Walt thought it was wrong he was let go and that the voice of support came from the union.....The article I don't think was damaging at all and at least the reporter did his homework and found out there was a similar situation that happened at the Muni. So I think after a couple of days worth it will be over. Time to move on.

Hope you guys got some sleep last night.

Mike

Unknown

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:28 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Lt. Governor

The Lt. Governor's email account (personal) is not working properly at this time. Please use:

Privileged or Personal <mailto:Privileged or Personal >

Unknown

From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 12:32 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Revised draft

Attached.

Sharon is cleaning up language to run in final and making sure Chuck Kopp is alright with the quotes attributed to him. This is basically the version from late yesterday with a paragraph added on **Privileged or Personal Mater**
Privileged or Personal.

Randy

8/24/2009

Unknown

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:31 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: RE: Pipeline

Governor - I have forwarded to IT so that they can look into this and I will get back to you with findings. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:27 PM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Pipeline
Importance: High

Today, for some reason, I'm getting emails at this address that look like they're part of some mass gasline lobbying effort... can you track down how folks now have this address? It hasnt received mass emails in the past.

Unknown

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:56 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: ANWR

Governor-

Channel 2 wants to confirm that you invited Senator McCain to visit ANWR.

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage
(907) 465-4031 Juneau
(907) 240-7943 cell

8/31/2009

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Unknown

From: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LVON_SCHEBEN]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 10:04 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Thanks for the heads up. I don't know Chuck so hope to meet him soon. LEO

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:02 AM
To: Notti, Emil R (CED); Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Leo and Emil, fyi on Walt... and I believe you'll really like working with Chuck:

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Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:34:16

To: Sean personal2 <Privileged or Personal >
Subject: Personnel

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GOVSP]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:40 PM
To: 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

I didn't even know people had an easy address like that that'll clog my BB... hasnt happened before. Anyway, as of today, it's getting hit.

----- Original Message -----

From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:35:05 2008
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

The online "411" with the State is the outside email that goes to Constituent Affairs (sarah.palin@alaska.gov).

The only google hit was on Newsminer's blog a blogger named "5050" back on April 17th

Unknown

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:00 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Essary; Karen S (GOV)
Subject: RE: Fw: Pipeline

I just received a call from Karen Essary. Karen verified that your private email address is still hidden, so it's likely that they got the address via a cc or forward of an email with your address on it.

We can have Karen set up a filter on your account so emails from that address are sent directly to spam. Or we can set up a new email address for you and have this one forwarded to CR. Janice

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:53 PM
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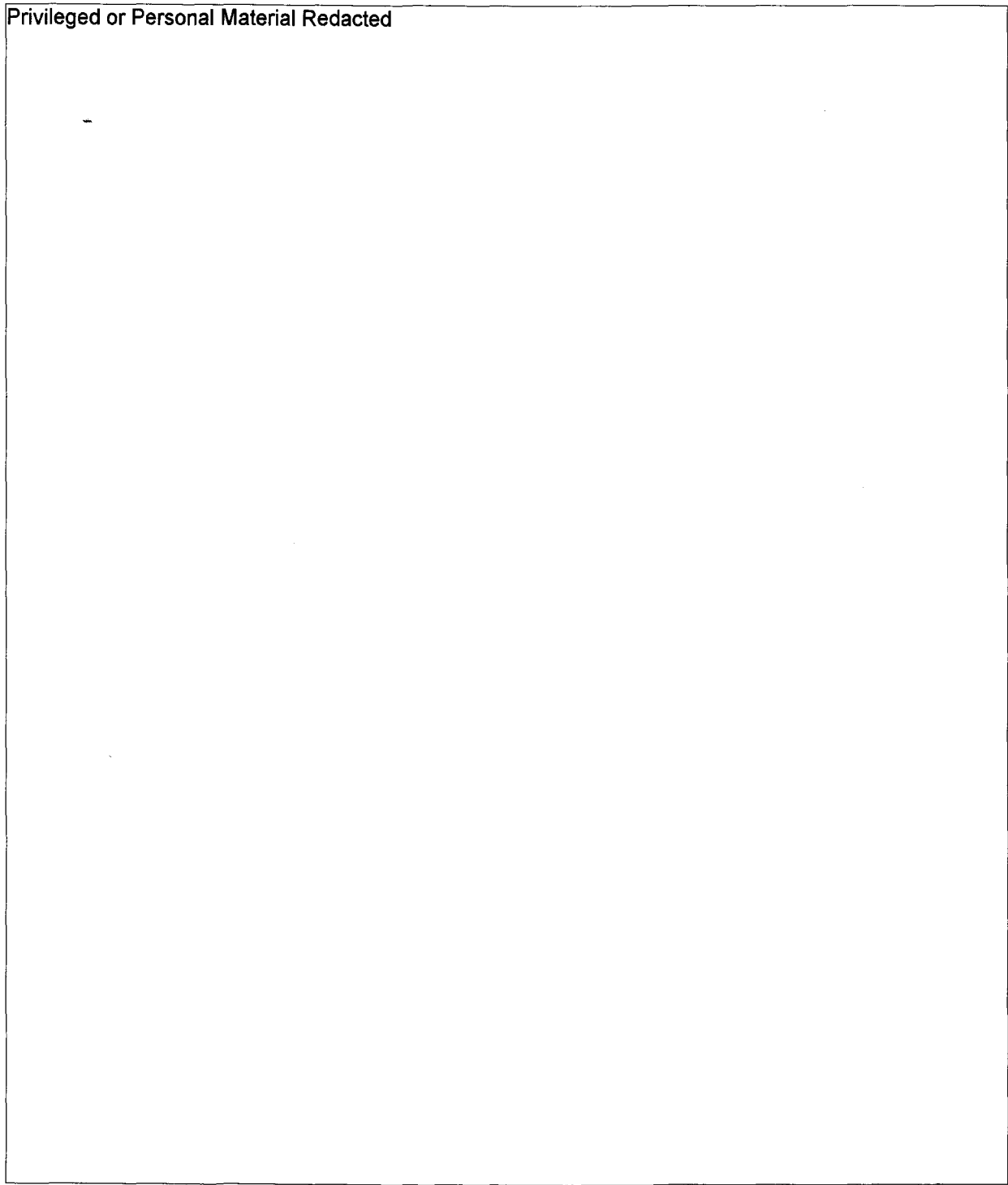
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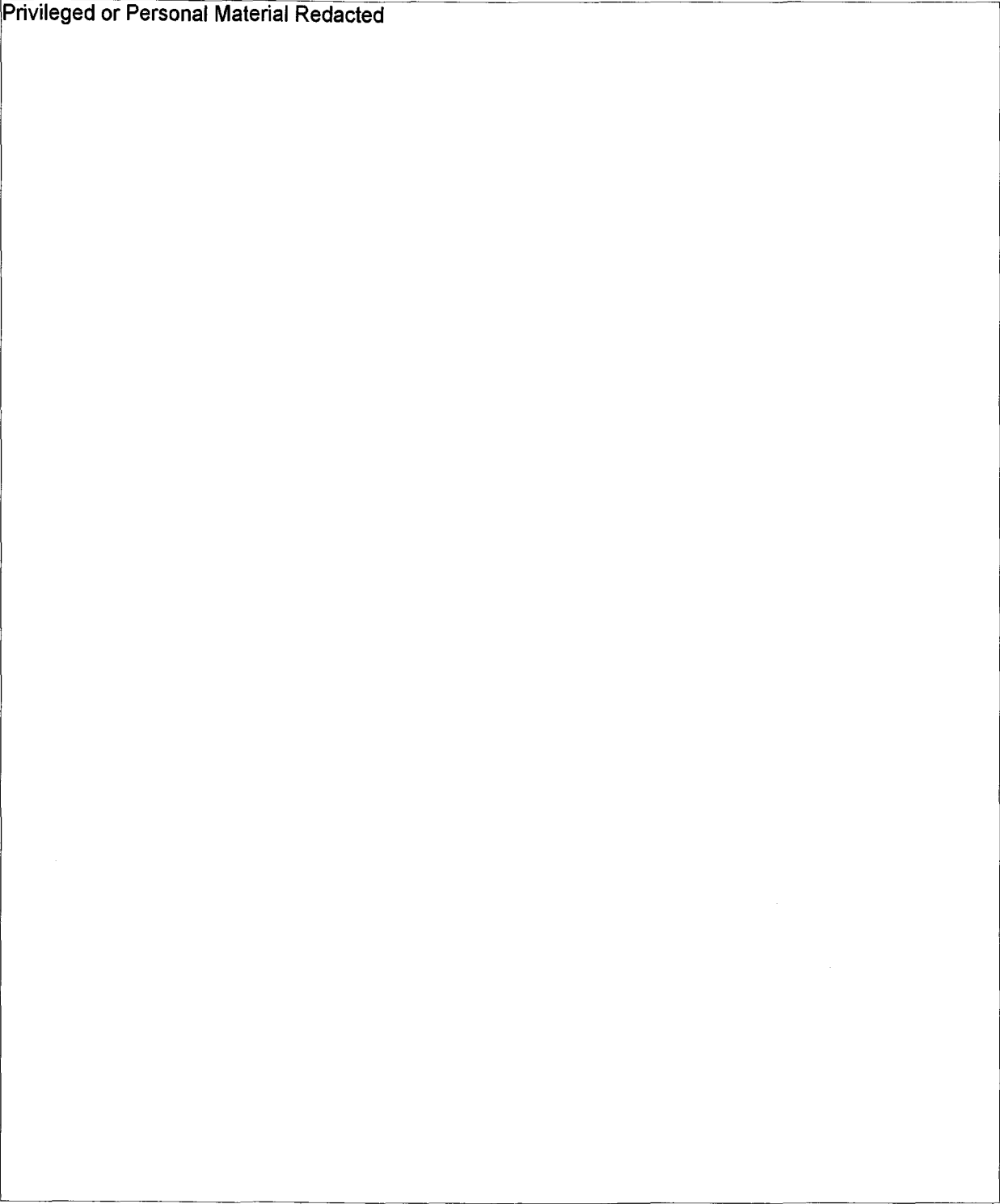
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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 10:02 AM
To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'; Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)
Subject: RE: Confidential Fw: Personnel

I look forward to meeting Chuck and working with him. Emil

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Sunday, July 13, 2008 1:02 AM
To: Notti, Emil R (CED); Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)
Subject: Confidential Fw: Personnel

Leo and Emil, fyi on Walt... and I believe you'll really like working with Chuck:

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com

Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 07:34:16

To: Sean personal2 <[Redacted] >
Subject: Personnel

We're replacing Walt with Chuck Kopp from Kenai. It's all good. Except we asked Walt to move to the ABC Board Ex Dir position so he could utilize his talents and connections with Rural Ak and help address the bootlegging problem (leading to horrendous other problems) in our villages... he said no to that offer. Chuck starts on Monday.

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:28 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Lt. Governor

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Subject: Re: Draft release for new DPS commissioner

Importance: High

This was the good one, with the good explanation in quotes from Chuck. It didn't go out with the one-sentence addition about rural drugs/alcohol:

(What happened to this presser?)

Pls send out add-on (not a "correction") to further illustrate where we are w changes at DPS, it's summed up nicely in his quotes that were eliminated.

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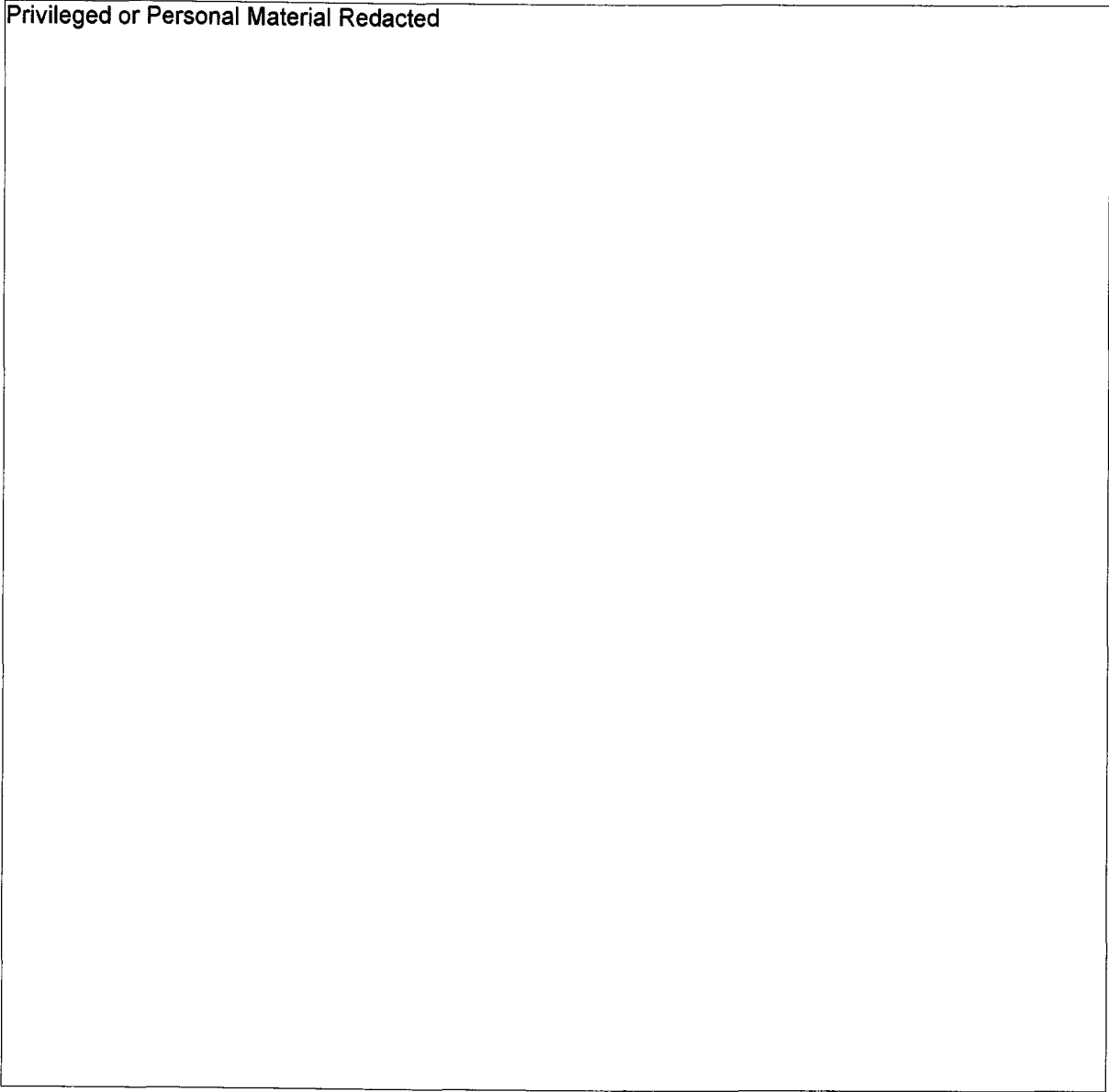
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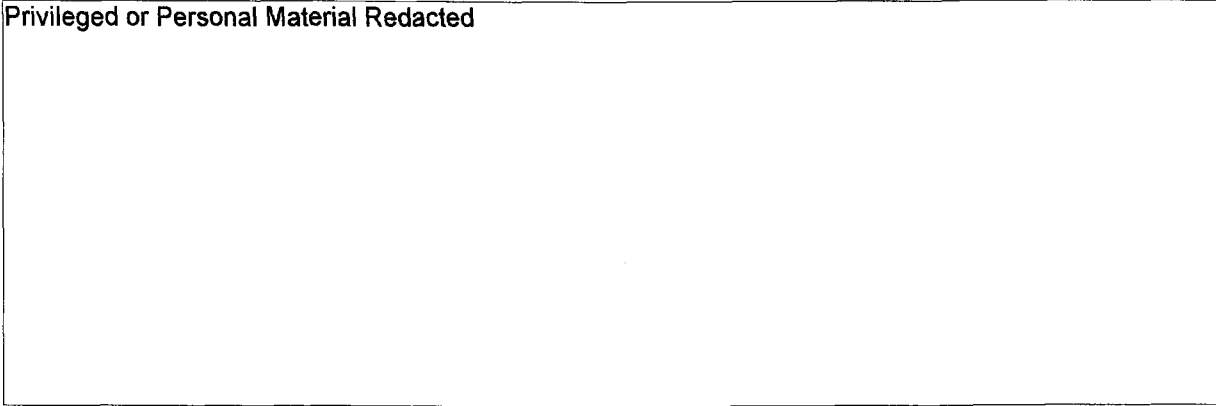
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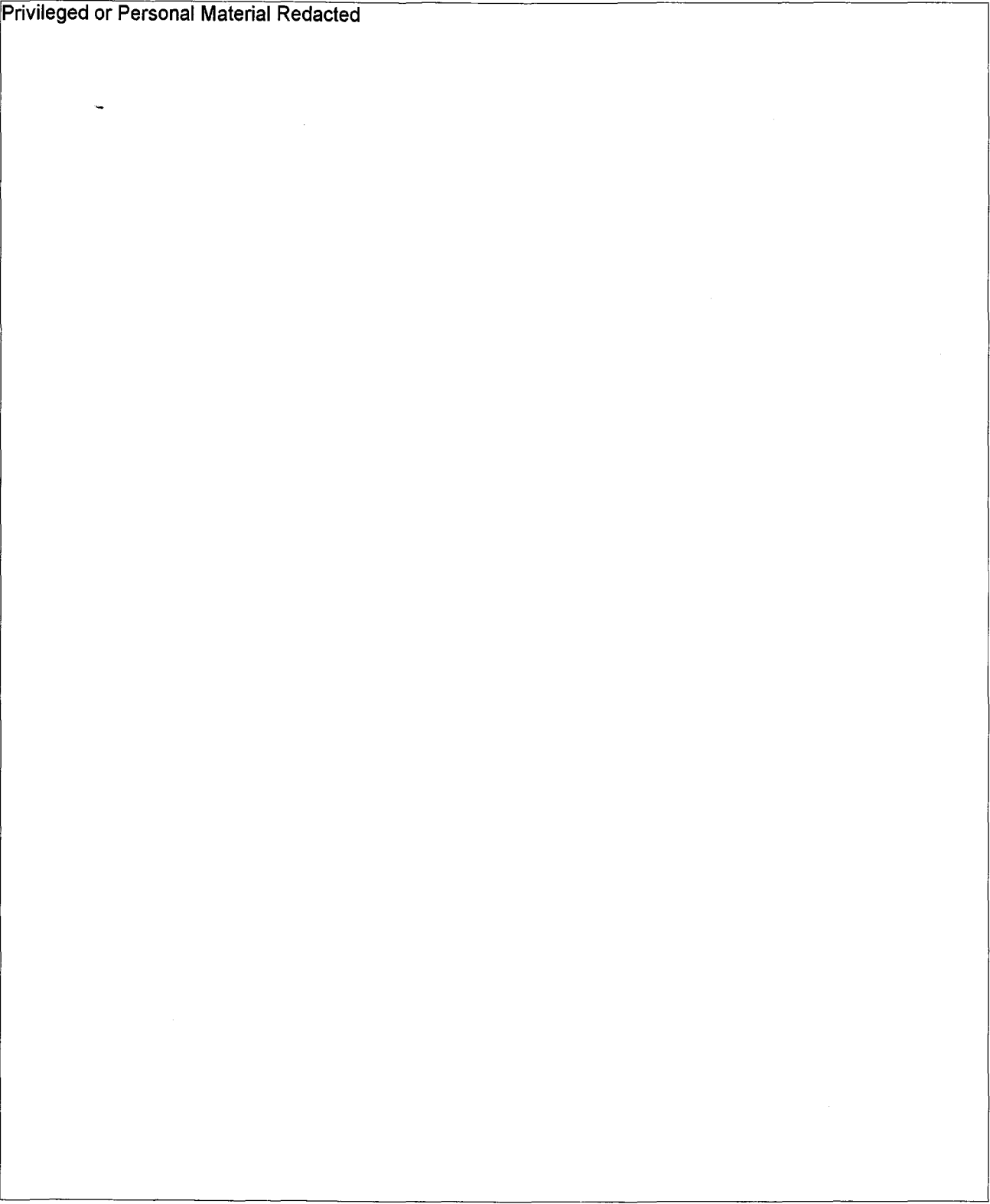
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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 11:10 AM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: Rd to Nome

Can be done before Sept though? (The status report anyway)

-----Original Message-----

From: Randy Ruaro
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 14, 2008 3:04 PM
Subject: RE: Rd to Nome

Governor:

Leo is in a 6 hour managers meeting. I will follow up with him this afternoon on a response. Joe and I have briefly discussed the idea of getting Leo, Pat, Tom, and Click together the first week in September for a meeting to review road and infrastructure projects that could lead to significant economic development and jobs. The idea is to identify those projects where we can make a difference quickly, rank them, and then review with you and OMB and COS.

Randy

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 10:51 AM
To: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT); Richards, Frank T (DOT)
Cc: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Rd to Nome

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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 7:40 AM
To: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: One more thing... reception

Excellent idea. I'll do it. I can be there all day Wednesday, then not again for awhile. If lawmakers leave Juneau we can do a reception in Anchorage at any time this next week.

-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Stapleton
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 14, 2008 12:37 AM
Subject: One more thing... reception

Governor,

Sorry. One more thing: I think you need one more reception just to get the pulse of the legislators and see where they're coming from at this point. Proponents are getting restless, critics are delaying a decision. Perhaps pulling everyone together in one mansion just for an informal reception might be good after you return. I'll rely on you to tell me what's good timing, or if it's a good idea or good timing at all.

Thanks,

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Subject: Re: Agenda

We can skip the lunch also. It's a prospecting lunch and only Perry and Barbour will be there making a pitch.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 05:16:18 2008
Subject: Re: Agenda

I'll show u other scheduling blunders she gave me that have added to frustrations because precious time gets wasted. I'll also be asking her if she feels overwhelmed or not free to delegate, so that these things don't continually happen. She must let go of some of this and allow others in the 20,000-plus employee corps to help me out.

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From: K Perry
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 14, 2008 8:40 AM
Subject: Fw: Agenda

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Sent: Mon Jul 14 04:40:06 2008
Subject: Agenda

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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 4:41 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Fw: Agenda

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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 1:09 PM
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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: please approve

This does look like it has the pts made in the presser last night that I approved and thought went out today. At this pt I don't have the emails to compare, so I'm assuming these are now the missing pts that we want the public to know. One point: Privileged or Personal Material Redacted
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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 12:30:28 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)<randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Subject: please approve

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 11:18 AM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Draft release for new DPS commissioner

You were right on in your presser. It told the story. Don't know why they changed it- they now need a follow-on presser that incorporates what it is I saw and approved Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 11:00:06 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: Draft release for new DPS commissioner

Governor:

There was a decision in the Anchorage office to go with a different version and not knowing it had not been cleared with you, I deferred to it. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted
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Sharon is working on a separate press release that will go out today and mention these areas.

Randy

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 10:43 AM
To: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Draft release for new DPS commissioner

This was the good one, with the good explanation in quotes from Chuck. It didn't go out with the one-sentence addition about rural drugs/alcohol:

(What happened to this presser?)

Pls send out add-on (not a "correction") to further illustrate where we are w changes at DPS, it's summed up nicely in his quotes that were eliminated.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2008 13:23:27 -0800
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
CC: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Subject: Draft release for new DPS commissioner
Sharon:

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Sorry for the computer glitch. The attachment of the draft in WORD may not have made it through this morning. Here is a slightly more polished version. I tried to put a few sentences in to remind readers the **Privileged o**

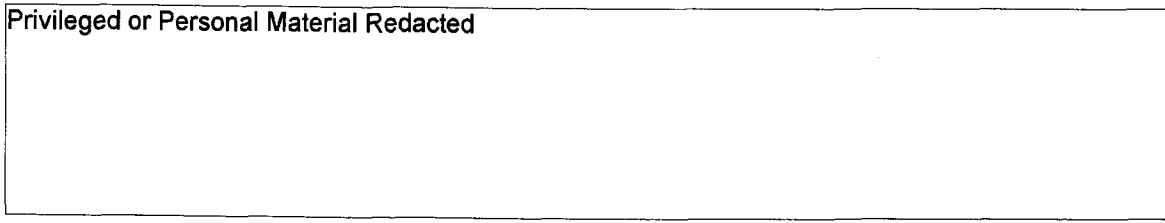
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Randy

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:42 PM
To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); ftb907@yahoo.com; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

Thanks, Merrick :(

----- Original Message -----

From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
To: 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:41:28 2008
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

5050 is one of Merrick Pierce's aliases.

----- Original Message -----

From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:35:05 2008
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

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Subject: Fw: Pipeline

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Cc: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 2:26 PM

Today, for some reason, I'm getting emails at this address that look like they're part of some mass gasoline lobbying effort... can you track down how folks now have this address? It hasn't received mass emails in the past. Thanks

----- Original Message -----

From: Smokey <smokey@alaska.net>

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Rep_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us <Rep_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us>; Therriault, Gene (LAA)

Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:22:51 2008

Subject: Pipeline

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I want a gasoline that will benefit all Alaskans not just a few communities. I believe this proposal only benefits Anchorage and not Fairbanks or the State of Alaska. There needs to be more proposal submit before jumping on the first one that

comes around.

Thank you

Kevin Baird

5820 Cleveland Ave

Salcha, Alaska 99714

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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:35 PM
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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GOVSP]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:34 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: Pipeline

It looks like maybe I was cc'd on a public gasline email, using that addy, and now they've got my number.

----- Original Message -----

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:31:00 2008
Subject: RE: Pipeline

Governor - I have forwarded to IT so that they can look into this and I will get back to you with findings. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:27 PM
To: Perry, Krist

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:32 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Lt. Governor

No wonder. Everything's popped back to me for the past few days. Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Janice Mason
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: K Perry
Cc: M Nizich
Sent: Jul 14, 2008 6:28 PM
Subject: Lt. Governor

The Lt. Governor's email account (personal) is not working properly at this time. Please use:

Privileged or Personal M <mailto:Privileged or Personal >

Thanks, Janice

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 7:22 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: PR - 08-118 Governor Lauds Oil Industry Development 071408
Thanks much!

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 19:13:04 -0800
To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)<rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
CC: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Subject: PR - 08-118 Governor Lauds Oil Industry Development 071408



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

No. 08-118

Governor Lauds Oil Industry Development

July 14, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska – BP announced today that it had sanctioned the development of its Liberty prospect in the federal waters in the Beaufort Sea Outer Continental Shelf. BP will push the envelope of technology by drilling ultra extended reach wells, with the largest land rig in the world. This technology will minimize the impact of the Liberty development on the environment.

"I want to congratulate Alaska's oil industry and our Department of Natural Resources for these pro-development achievements," Governor Palin said. "Our state has the resources and the people to address the nation's energy needs. Alaska remains an attractive and inviting place for oil and gas industry investment. I look forward to more good news in the future."

When production begins in 2011, the state will share in the royalties paid by BP to the federal government. Under existing law, the state will receive 27 percent of the royalties or almost 5 million barrels over the life of the project. The state and other producers on the North Slope will also benefit from potentially lower tariffs on the TAPS pipeline. At its peak in 2014, Liberty will produce 40,000 barrels per day and contribute to an increase of 6 percent of total TAPS throughput.

BP's Liberty announcement comes along after a string of good news in Alaska's oil patch. ConocoPhillips last week announced "first oil" from its Qannik prospect in the Colville River

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Unit. Qannik production will peak in 2009 at 4,000 barrels per day. With potential expansion the prospect may yield over 25 million barrels. On June 13, 2008, Pioneer began production from its Ooguruk field. Ooguruk is a 90 million barrel oil field that will reach peak production of 20,000 barrels per day in 2010. Pioneer is one of the new independents now working in Alaska and is the only independent operator on the North Slope. Soon to follow Pioneer as operator of a new producing oil field is the major Italian oil company ENI which sanctioned the neighboring Nikiatchuq oil field in January 2008. Development of this oil field is now underway.

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To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: ANWR

He's not at this conference and he's already been there (is my understanding... don't quote me on that I'll have Joe or Tom or someone confirm), but yes we've sent out the word that we want him, obama, everyone else to get up here and see the swath of land for themselves. I've spoken w him about ANWR but don't remember if in that conversation 5 months ago I repeated our open invitation for him and other elected officials to come up. Maybe I should put the invite in written form too?

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 15:55:43 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: ANWR

Governor-

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Cc: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey; Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: ANWR

Frank and I are trying to recall if our letter of invite went out to him, or who specifically in all these months of me inviting critics to visit it. Maybe janice knows.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 00:09:25 +0000
To: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
CC: Meghan Stapleton<meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:53 PM
To: Frank Bailey; K Perry Yahoo; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Subject: Re: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

According to DOE there will NOT be amd there IS no export license! Correct me if I'm wrong, tom/marty... But that's what Slutz told me yesterday even. We need to get the word out on that one,, also that today's Congress is also saying no license.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 16:50:41 -0700 (PDT)
To: K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

Bizarre. Almost like sending a press release out multiple times huh??

okay bad comparison.

anyhoo...i'm checking on that line about the export license in this ad. didn't think that was accurate

at least they're getting the "columns" right finally.

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Subject: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad
To: "Frank Bailey" <ftb907@yahoo.com>, "K Perry Yahoo" <krisandclark@yahoo.com>
Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 3:41 PM

Malcolm is a mess.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 15:39:57
To: Scott R Heyworth<heyworth@gci.net>
Subject: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad
 yes!

----- Original Message -----

From: "Malcolm B Roberts" <mbroberts@gci.net>
To: "Bill Walker" <bill-wwa@ak.net>; "Bob Morigeau" <donnaamor@mtaonline.net>; "Chancy Croft" <ccroft@alaska.com>; "Cindy Roberts" <cindy.roberts@gci.net>; "David Gottstein" <dgottstein@aol.com>; "Jack Roderick" <jroderick@gci.net>; "Jim Sykes" <jsykes@mtaonline.net>; <mayor@co.fairbanks.ak.us>; "Joey Merrick" <jmerrick@local341.com>; <jomo_stewart@yahoo.com>; "Ken Alper"

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<ka_luddite@hotmail.com>; "Lori Backes" <loribackes@yahoo.com>; "Malcolm B. Roberts" <mal@gci.net>; "Mead Treadwell" <mead@ventureadastra.com>; "Merrick Pierce" <merrick@gci.net>; "Mike Gallagher" <mike@local341.com>; "mike kenny" <mkenny@attalasc.com.net>; "Mike Macy" <mmacy@acsalaska.net>; "Paul Fuhs" <paulfuhs@earthlink.net>; "Rep. Harry Crawford" <Representative_Harry_Crawford@legis.state.ak.us>; "Ryan Colgan" <ryan_colgan@hotmail.com>; "Scott Heyworth" <heyworth@gci.net>; <Senator_Bill_Wielechowski@legis.state.ak.us>; "Vic Fischer" <vicfischer@alaska.com>; "Walter J. Hickel" <wjhickel@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:27 PM
Subject: The latest edition of Backbone III ad
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>
> Please delete the earlier versions of the BBIII ad and use this one. As
> you
> will see, we have restructured the columns of names and groups. The
> headings on each column express clearly the purpose of the ad.
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> The main message is that the State of Alaska most not give away control
> of
> our resources. That's what the battle for Statehood was all about.
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> Thank you, Malcolm Roberts 343-2201
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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 12:38 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: please approve

With not being able to do a comparison; I'm assuming this is the same one approved last night with the two additions?

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Subject: Re: Rd to Nome

Sounds great for Reeves involvement. This can be good.

-----Original Message-----

From: Randy Ruaro
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 14, 2008 3:17 PM
Subject: RE: Rd to Nome

Governor:

I think we could speed it up. Joe B. said DNR can provide maps of the state showing known and prospective mineral deposits, current infrastructure and roads, potential oil and gas finds, potential oil and gas pipelines, ports, etc. We also need to know where federal land boundaries are so we can try to avoid environmental lawsuits.

If it is alright with you, I would like to get John Reeves involved in this initial process of identifying projects and getting good descriptions for the commissioners to consider and prioritize.

I think he has the time and I really like working with him.

I can get together with him on the phone this afternoon and explain what we are looking to prepare and I bet he gets started right away.

Randy

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 11:10 AM

To: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)

Subject: Re: Rd to Nome

Can be done before Sept though? (The status report anyway)

-----Original Message-----

From: Randy Ruaro

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 14, 2008 3:04 PM

Subject: RE: Rd to Nome

Governor:

Leo is in a 6 hour managers meeting. I will follow up with him this afternoon on a response. Joe and I have briefly discussed the idea of getting Leo, Pat, Tom, and Click together the first week in September for a meeting to review road and infrastructure projects that could lead to significant economic development and jobs. The idea is to identify those projects where we can make a difference quickly, rank them, and then review with you and OMB and COS.

Randy

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 10:51 AM

To: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT); Richards, Frank T (DOT)

Cc: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Rd to Nome

Leo- I've heard that there's been preliminary work done on the idea of building a road to connect us to our resources in Nome. True? That'd be great if it's true. What's the cost? We need to start building

infrastructure- esp in areas where the residents truly want the roads.

Pls give me a status report on Nome Rd plan. Thanks

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To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR)
Subject: Re: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 23:19:16 +0000
To: Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Pat Galvin<patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

Thought ACES killed all that, eh? :)

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Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 15:13:08 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fw: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

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To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
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TO: Tom Irwin Alaska DNR

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Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

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Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:27 PM
To: Smokey
Subject: Read: Pipeline
Importance: High

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:26 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Re: for your review

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 17:17:28 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV) <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)<patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: for your review

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:24 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey
Subject: Re: ANWR

We sent on 6/20 to congress and all prez candidates.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 17:16:23 -0800
To: ExternalEmailsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV) <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR) <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR) <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
CC: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR) <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: ANWR

We have looked through ANWR letters but do not recall a specific one of invite. This may have been a verbal invite. Janice

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 4:24 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey; Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: ANWR

Frank and I are trying to recall if our letter of invite went out to him, or who specifically in all these months of me inviting critics to visit it. Maybe janice knows.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 00:09:25 +0000
To: Sharon Leighow <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Tom Irwin <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
CC: Meghan Stapleton <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; K Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: ANWR

He's not at this conference and he's already been there (is my understanding... don't quote me on that I'll have Joe or Tom or someone confirm), but yes we've sent out the word that we want him, obama, everyone else to get up here and see the swath of land for themselves. I've spoken w him about ANWR but don't remember if in that conversation 5 months ago I repeated our open invitation for him and other elected officials to come up. Maybe I should put the invite in written form too?

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 15:55:43 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: ANWR
Governor-

Channel 2 wants to confirm that you invited Senator McCain to visit ANWR.

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:49 PM
To: 'fb907@yahoo.com'; Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw:

Won't bug you w more of todays emails but they look something like this

----- Original Message -----

From: ejwatson@mosquitonet.com <ejwatson@mosquitonet.com>
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 06:28:53 2008

I am for an all Alaskan gas pipeline----only

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From: Tony de Brum [tdebrum@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:02 PM
To: fitial@pticom.com
Cc: Antonio J S Muna; Eloy Inos; Tim Villagomez; Frances Mafnas; Frank Dela Cruz; Gov Felix Camacho; Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Ramon Mafnas; Esther Fleming; Junjie Vasquez
Subject: Re: Gasoline Price in Pohnpei

Are you kidding, Bro? In Majuro it is already \$7.85 !!! You guys are lucky. tdb

On 7/15/08, **Benigno R. Fitial** <fitial@yahoo.com> wrote:

When Eloy and I went to Pohnpei in January of this year, the price of gasoline was already \$4.00 a gallon. Today, it's \$6.20 per gallon and still going up.

Governor (Ben) Fitial
Email: fitial@yahoo.com
Tel: 670-664-2282

--- On Mon, 7/14/08, KIKUO APIS, L. <kapisl@yahoo.com> wrote:

> From: KIKUO APIS, L. <kapisl@yahoo.com>
> Subject: FW: Don't Buy Gas On July 15th-boycott?
> To: "BEN FITIAL" <fitial@yahoo.com>,
> Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 9:58 PM
>
>DEAR BEN:
>
> THIS MORNING IN POHNPEI THE GASOLINE IS \$6.20 PER GALLON
> AND IS STILL GOING UP. IS THIS THE SAME STORY IN SAIPAN,
> GUAM, MARSHALL ISLANDS, PHILIPPINES, PALAU, CHUUK, YAP AND
> ELESEWHERE? LET'S COMPARE THE PRICES AND SEE WHAT ALL
> OF US FROM DIFFERENT PLACES CAN DO. KIKUO
>

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 4:29 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Stapleton; Meghan N (DNR)
Cc: Ivy personal
Subject: Fw: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad
For messaging re: BB111's new ad:

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From: "Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 16:28:08 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; <ftb907@yahoo.com>; <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR)<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

Governor, All;

The Port Authority purchased some type of option on the Yukon Pacific Corp' (YPC) assets. YPC had a 1989 export license out of Valdez. However, there is NO WAY that DOE would allow that ancient license to proceed without undergoing another complete review and, in all probability it would not be approved. That is what DOE is saying - they will not allow the old license to be used without a review and when they review the old license they won't approve it.

Furthermore, even if DOE would approve it, Congress would pass an export ban on Alaska gas. This is what Senator Stevens told the Alaska Legislature and Alaska press this week in Juneau. Specifically, Stevens referred to US Rep Pelosi's announcement this week indicating the Democrats are considering an energy bill that would include an export ban on Alaska oil.

Marty

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>; K Perry Yahoo <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 15:52:47 2008
Subject: Re: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

According to DOE there will NOT be and there IS no export license! Correct me if I'm wrong, tom/marty... But that's what Slutz told me yesterday even. We need to get the word out on that one,,, also that today's Congress is also saying no license.

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From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 16:50:41 -0700 (PDT)
To: K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

Bizarre. Almost like sending a press release out multiple times huh??

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okay bad comparison.

anyhoo...i'm checking on that line about the export license in this ad. didn't think that was accurate.

at least they're getting the "columns" right finally.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad
To: "Frank Bailey" <ftb907@yahoo.com>, "K Perry Yahoo" <krisandclark@yahoo.com>
Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 3:41 PM

Malcolm is a mess.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>

Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 15:39:57
To: Scott R Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>
Subject: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

yes!

----- Original Message -----

From: "Malcolm B Roberts" <mbroberts@gci.net>
To: "Bill Walker" <bill-wwa@ak.net>; "Bob Morigeau" <donnamor@mtaonline.net>; "Chancy Croft" <ccroft@alaska.com>; "Cindy Roberts" <cindy.roberts@gci.net>; "David Gottstein" <dgottstein@aol.com>; "Jack Roderick" <jroderick@gci.net>; "Jim Sykes" <jsykes@mtaonline.net>; <mayor@co.fairbanks.ak.us>; "Joey Merrick" <jmerrick@local341.com>; <jomo_stewart@yahoo.com>; "Ken Alper" <ka_huddite@hotmail.com>; "Lori Backes" <loribackes@yahoo.com>; "Malcolm B. Roberts" <mal@gci.net>; "Mead Treadwell" <mead@ventureadastra.com>; "Merrick Pierce" <merrick@gci.net>; "Mike Gallagher" <mike@local341.com>; "mike kenny" <mkenny@attalasc.com.net>; "Mike Macy" <mmacy@acsalaska.net>; "Paul Fuhs" <paulfuhs@earthlink.net>; "Rep. Harry Crawford" <Representative_Harry_Crawford@legis.state.ak.us>; "Ryan Colgan" <ryan_colgan@hotmail.com>; "Scott Heyworth" <heyworth@gci.net>; <Senator_Bill_Wielechowski@legis.state.ak.us>; "Vic Fischer" <vicfischer@alaska.com>; "Walter J. Hickel" <wjhickel@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:27 PM

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Subject: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

- >
- >
- > Please delete the earlier versions of the BBIII ad and use this one. As
- > you
- > will see, we have restructured the columns of names and groups. The
- > headings on each column express clearly the purpose of the ad.
- >
- > The main message is that the State of Alaska most not give away control
- > of
- > our resources. That's what the battle for Statehood was all about.
- >
- > Thank you, Malcolm Roberts 343-2201
- >
- >
- >

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:07 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); ftb907@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

Does it make sense to have these received emails from this account go to CR? If those whom I want to have the addy have been emailing me freely on it- why would I now want CR reading them? What am I missing here?

----- Original Message -----

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Essary, Karen S (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 15:00:11 2008
Subject: RE: Fw: Pipeline

I just received a call from Karen Essary. Karen verified that your private email address is still hidden, so it's likely that they got the address via a cc or forward of an email with your address on it.

We can have Karen set up a filter on your account so emails from that address are sent directly to spam. Or we can set up a new email address for you and have this one forwarded to CR. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:53 PM
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

That was my guess - Merrick. So, I also spoke to Nizich about it. He was going to look into how it got out there but in the meantime, can we change your state address and have these mass emails be directed to someone else to field them, i.e. Constituent Relations, Ivy or someone?

----- Original Message -----

From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

To: 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:41:28 2008

Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

5050 is one of Merrick Pierce's aliases.

----- Original Message -----

From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>

To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:35:05 2008

Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

The online "411" with the State is the outside email that goes to Constituent Affairs (sarah.palin@alaska.gov).

The only google hit was on Newsminer's blog a blogger named "5050" back on April 17th put out the govpalin@alaska.gov address in response to an editorial by Chris Eshelman.

Someone in Fairbanks has it...and is handing it out.

That's an easy one to change if you'd like us to do so.

F

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) <govpalin@alaska.gov>

Subject: Fw: Pipeline

To: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, ftb907@yahoo.com

Cc: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 2:26 PM

Today, for some reason, I'm getting emails at this address that look like they're part of some mass gasoline lobbying effort... can you track down how folks now have this address? It hasn't received mass emails in the past. Thanks

----- Original Message -----

From: Smokey <smokey@alaska.net>

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Rep_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us <Rep_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us>; Therriault, Gene (LAA)

Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:22:51 2008

Subject: Pipeline

I would like to know what happens to the "All Alaskan Pipeline"? I am tired of the high cost of fuel in Fairbanks and Anchorage pays cheaper for fuel than Fairbanks. All three of you need to go to <http://www.fairbanksgas.com/> and find out what the problem is and find a solution to it. I have already petitioned the federal congressional delegation about stopping oil speculation buying crude oil that is driving crude oil price up.

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Salcha, Alaska 99714

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GOVSP]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:56 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

But even that address used to have to go through the system before it got to me, was my understanding... it seems that something's changed today.

----- Original Message -----

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:52:37 2008
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

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Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:41:28 2008
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

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----- Original Message -----

From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:35:05 2008
Subject: Re: Fw: Pipeline

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Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 2:26 PM

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----- Original Message -----

From: Smokey <smokey@alaska.net>

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Rep_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us
<Rep_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us>; Therriault, Gene (LAA)

Sent: Mon Jul 14 14:22:51 2008

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:28 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Invites ANWR

Sharon- is this what KTUU was looking for? We invited all congress and prez candidates on 6/20.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 02:24:01 +0000
To: Janice Mason<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
CC: Meghan Stapleton<meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: ANWR

We sent on 6/20 to congress and all prez candidates.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 17:16:23 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV) <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR) <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR) <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>
CC: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR) <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: ANWR

We have looked through ANWR letters but do not recall a specific one of invite. This may have been a verbal invite. Janice

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 4:24 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey; Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: ANWR

Frank and I are trying to recall if our letter of invite went out to him, or who specifically in all these months of me inviting critics to visit it. Maybe janice knows.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

9/18/2009

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 00:09:25 +0000

To: Sharon Leighow<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Marty Rutherford<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>

CC: Meghan Stapleton<meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: ANWR

He's not at this conference and he's already been there (is my understanding... don't quote me on that I'll have Joe or Tom or someone confirm), but yes we've sent out the word that we want him, obama, everyone else to get up here and see the swath of land for themselves. I've spoken w him about ANWR but don't remember if in that conversation 5 months ago I repeated our open invitation for him and other elected officials to come up. Maybe I should put the invite in written form too?

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 15:55:43 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: ANWR

Governor-

Channel 2 wants to confirm that you invited Senator McCain to visit ANWR.

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage
(907) 465-4031 Juneau
(907) 240-7943 cell

9/18/2009

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 7:18 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: PR - 08-118 Governor Lauds Oil Industry Development 071408

Thank you- looks great. If it hasnt already gone out the title can be changed to "developmentS" (BP and Conoco's developments are both subjects in this presser), otherwise if it's already out then that's great too. Thanks!

----- Original Message -----

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 19:13:04 2008
Subject: PR - 08-118 Governor Lauds Oil Industry Development 071408

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

No. 08-118

Governor Lauds Oil Industry Development

July 14, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska - BP announced today that it had sanctioned the development of its Liberty prospect in the federal waters in the Beaufort Sea Outer Continental Shelf. BP will push the envelope of technology by drilling ultra extended reach wells, with the largest land rig in the world. This technology will minimize the impact of the Liberty development on the environment.

"I want to congratulate Alaska's oil industry and our Department of Natural Resources for these pro-development achievements," Governor Palin said. "Our state has the resources and the people to address the nation's energy needs. Alaska remains an attractive and inviting place for oil and gas industry investment. I look forward to more good news in the future."

When production begins in 2011, the state will share in the royalties paid by BP to the federal government. Under existing law, the state will receive 27 percent of the royalties or almost 5 million barrels over the life of the project. The state and other producers on the North Slope will also benefit from potentially lower tariffs on the TAPS pipeline. At its peak in 2014, Liberty will produce 40,000 barrels per day and contribute to an increase of 6 percent of total TAPS throughput.

BP's Liberty announcement comes along after a string of good news in Alaska's oil patch. ConocoPhillips last week announced "first oil" from its Qannik prospect in the Colville River Unit. Qannik production will peak in 2009 at 4,000 barrels per day. With potential expansion the prospect may yield over 25 million barrels. On June 13, 2008, Pioneer began production from its Oooguruk field. Oooguruk is a 90 million barrel oil field that will reach peak production of 20,000 barrels per day in 2010. Pioneer is one of the new independents now working in Alaska and is the only independent operator on the North Slope. Soon to follow Pioneer as operator of a new producing oil field is the major Italian oil company ENI which sanctioned the neighboring Nikiatchuq oil field in January 2008. Development of this oil field is now underway.

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Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

465-4031 Juneau

269-7450 Anchorage

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From: Frank Loosli [frankloo2@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 10:09 PM

To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Ms Palin,

I ask you as an Alaskan to keep your campaign promise and listen to the people of Alaska. Build an all Alaska gas pipeline.

Check out my Photo/Art Website
<http://www.photo.net/photos/floosli>

Frank Loosli

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From: haeg@alaska.net

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 11:33 PM

To: Eckert; Patricia F (GOV); Torkelson; Peter J (GOV); Clary; Rachel J (GOV); Cockrell; Robert A (GOV); russ_kelly@gov.state.ak.us; Peacock; Sara J (GOV); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); sbishop@alaskadc.org; Clark; Scott M (GOV); Parnell; Sean R (GOV); sharon_busch@gov.state.ak.us; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Henderson; Shawn (GOV); James; Shelley A (GOV); Davis; Steven S (GOV); Hildebrand; Steven D (GOV); Cayce; Sunny C (DOA); Davis; Susan M (GOV); Mullen; Suzanne M (GOV); Fradley; Tara D (GOV); Kimlinger; Tom M (GOV); Lopez; Thomas M (GOV); Ibesate; Wen (LAA); Belknap; Will C (GOV)

Subject: Note from David Haeg

Dear Governor Palin & Staff,

Please read the attached letter. [See Letter-Holt & Booch]. The other attachments are mentioned in this letter - [See Judge Card & Brenda Valentine]. If you are unable to open these let me know and I will send them in an email. As always thank you for your continuous support.

David Haeg & Family

9/18/2009

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:33 PM
To: Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Cc: Banks; Kevin R (DNR)
Subject: Re: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 16:45:51

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>

Cc: Banks, Kevin R (DNR)<kevin.banks@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

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-Pat

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To: ExternalEmailgsp; Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV);
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Don't forget oil from anywhere helps lower tariffs in the lines

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Cc: Banks, Kevin R (DNR)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 15:37:41 2008
Subject: Re: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

Governor,

Kevin Banks is working on a draft for all of us to read. Bottom line I
think drilling anywhere in Alaska shows this is a good place to be.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV);
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(DOR)

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Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 23:19:16 +0000

To: Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>;

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Galvin<patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

Thought ACES killed all that, eh? :)

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Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 15:13:08 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Fw: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

Good news. BP sanctions Liberty

----- Original Message -----

From: Petroleum News <circulation@petroleumnews.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Mon Jul 14 10:56:02 2008

Subject: Petroleum News' News Bulletin Service - July 14, 2008

TO: Tom Irwin Alaska DNR

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NEWS BULLETIN

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BP sanctions Liberty development

This morning BP said it has sanctioned development of its Liberty oil

prospect, which is offshore northern Alaska in the Beaufort Sea.

The \$1.5 billion development plan for Liberty entails the drilling of six ultra-extended reach development wells from existing near-shore facilities at the Endicott satellite island under the Beaufort Sea to the Liberty reservoir, which is some five miles offshore the North Slope. The drilling would involve horizontal departures of 34,000 to 44,000 feet, requiring the use of a purpose-built rig that will be the largest land rig in the world, BP has said.

Using the Endicott satellite island allows BP to produce Liberty without building a remote offshore island and pipeline infrastructure, thus significantly reducing the environmental impact of the new development. First production from Liberty is expected in 2011.

BP expects to recover about 100 million barrels of oil from Liberty. The company has said the reservoir is "high quality with wells capable of delivering 15,000 barrels of oil per day or more initial production."

Liberty was discovered by BP in 1997, and is one of the largest undeveloped light oil fields in the BP Alaska portfolio.

The BP-operated Endicott field is east of Prudhoe Bay. It came online in 1987 and was the world's first producing offshore Arctic oil field. Endicott is linked to shore with a 1.5-mile gravel causeway.

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Subject: Re: Wednesday

Ok. If anyone thinks an Anchorage event would do any good, I'm game.

-----Original Message-----

From: K Perry
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: Meghan Stapleton
Cc: Joe Balash
Cc: Marty Rutherford
Cc: Tom Irwin
Cc: M Nizich
Cc: Janice Mason
Sent: Jul 14, 2008 10:04 PM
Subject: Wednesday

After talking w/Joe this evening (and Marty), there is not a need to do the reception as the majority of legislators are departing JNU and few will be there Wednesday.

Kris

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:05 PM
To: fitial@pticom.com; smtaxes@vzpacifica.net; Eloyinos@aol.com; tpvillagomez@itecnmi.com
Cc: cpa.plantacct@pticom.com; fdlcruz@vzpacifica.net; fpcguam@yahoo.com; rjmafнас@ite.net; efleming@pticom.com; tdebrum@gmail.com; junjievazquez@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Gasoline Price in Pohnpei

This is crazy pricing! It's getting outrageous in Alaska, too. In most urban areas it's nearing \$5.00/gallon. And in our rural areas it can be as high as \$10.00.

We're really trying to ramp up production of our safe, domestic supplies of energy that Alaska has plenty of. Please tell everyone to support our efforts to drill, pump and produce more energy from our Alaskan resources.

----- Original Message -----

From: Benigno R. Fitial <fitial@yahoo.com>
To: Antonio J S Muna <smtaxes@vzpacifica.net>; Eloy Inos <Eloyinos@aol.com>; Tim Villagomez <tpvillagomez@itecnmi.com>
Cc: Frances Mafнас <cpa.plantacct@pticom.com>; Frank Dela Cruz <fdlcruz@vzpacifica.net>; Gov Felix Camacho <fpcguam@yahoo.com>; Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Ramon Mafнас <rjmafнас@ite.net>; Esther Fleming <efleming@pticom.com>; Tony de Brum <tdebrum@gmail.com>; Junjie Vasquez <junjievazquez@yahoo.com>
Sent: Mon Jul 14 17:59:59 2008
Subject: Gasoline Price in Pohnpei

When Eloy and I went to Pohnpei in January of this year, the price of gasoline was already \$4.00 a gallon. Today, it's \$6.20 per gallon and still going up.

Governor (Ben) Fitial
Email: fitial@yahoo.com
Tel: 670-664-2282

--- On Mon, 7/14/08, KIKUO APIS, L. <kapisl@yahoo.com> wrote:

> From: KIKUO APIS, L. <kapisl@yahoo.com>

> Subject: FW: Don't Buy Gas On July 15th-boycott?

> To: "BEN FITIAL" <fitial@yahoo.com>,

> Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 9:58 PM

>

>DEAR BEN:

>

> THIS MORNING IN POHNPEI THE GASOLINE IS \$6.20 PER GALLON

> AND IS STILL GOING UP. IS THIS THE SAME STORY IN SAIPAN,

> GUAM, MARSHALL ISLANDS, PHILIPPINES, PALAU, CHUUK, YAP AND

> ELESEWHERE? LET'S COMPARE THE PRICES AND SEE WHAT ALL

> OF US FROM DIFFERENT PLACES CAN DO. KIKUO

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:45 PM

To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: Re: please approve - adds Alaska is attractive place to invest etc in yourlast quote

This is great. But Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:00 PM
To: Ivy personal; Frank Bailey; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: K Perry Yahoo
Subject: Re: ANWR

Great! Yes! Sharon: here's another date of an ANWR invite:

-----Original Message-----

From: Ivy personal
To: Sarah's Personal Email
To: Frank Bailey
ReplyTo: Ivy personal
Sent: Jul 14, 2008 9:20 PM
Subject: Fw: ANWR

On 6/20 you asked Rosanne to send your anwr letter to all presidential candidates. The press release announcing you sent the letter went out 6/23 and rosanne should have contacted them then. I sent the presser to my contact in the mccain camp, paulette, and holly at boston herald. The email chain is below. Hope this helps :)

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sat, 21 Jun 2008 00:03:30
To: Rosanne Hughes<rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>
Cc: K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Frank Bailey<ftb907@yahoo.com>; Ivy personal<ivyfrye@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: ANWR

Thanks!

Ivy- u can let Paulette know that?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 20 Jun 2008 15:41:28

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: K Perry Yahoo <krisandclark@yahoo.com>, Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>, Ivy personal <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: ANWR

I got that message earlier from Janice and we are working on it right now, Governor. Will do.

Rosanne Hughes

Director of External Communications

(907) 269-7450

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, June 20, 2008 3:35 PM

To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)

Cc: K Perry Yahoo; Frank Bailey; Ivy personal

Subject: Re: ANWR

Pls also send to McCain and Obama's camps. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 20 Jun 2008 15:48:39

To: "Rosanne Hughes" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>

Subject: ANWR

R- when Katz has our anwr letter ready to go (hopefully today!) we need to send it to all the Alaskan media outlets, but also other newspapers across the US as he wrote such good reasoning in asking Congress when will they finally "get it"? Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

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From: Benigno R. Fitial [fitial@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 6:00 PM
To: Antonio J S Muna; Eloy Inos; Tim Villagomez
Cc: Frances Mafnas; Frank Dela Cruz; Gov Felix Camacho; Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Ramon Mafnas; Esther Fleming; Tony de Brum; Junjie Vasquez
Subject: Gasoline Price in Pohnpei

When Eloy and I went to Pohnpei in January of this year, the price of gasoline was already \$4.00 a gallon. Today, it's \$6.20 per gallon and still going up.

Governor (Ben) Fitial

Email: fitial@yahoo.com.

Tel: 670-664-2282

--- On Mon, 7/14/08, KIKUO APIS, L. <kapisl@yahoo.com> wrote:

> From: KIKUO APIS, L. <kapisl@yahoo.com>
> Subject: FW: Don't Buy Gas On July 15th-boycott?
> To: "BEN FITIAL" <fitial@yahoo.com>,
> Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 9:58 PM
>
>DEAR BEN:
>
> THIS MORNING IN POHNPEI THE GASOLINE IS \$6.20 PER GALLON
> AND IS STILL GOING UP. IS THIS THE SAME STORY IN SAIPAN,
> GUAM, MARSHALL ISLANDS, PHILIPPINES, PALAU, CHUUK, YAP AND
> ELSEWHERE? LET'S COMPARE THE PRICES AND SEE WHAT ALL
> OF US FROM DIFFERENT PLACES CAN DO. KIKUO
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From: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MKRUTHERFORD]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 4:28 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; 'krisandclark@yahoo.com'; Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

Governor, All,

The Port Authority purchased some type of option on the Yukon Pacific Corp' (YPC) assets. YPC had a 1989 export license out of Valdez. However, there is NO WAY that DOE would allow that ancient license to proceed without undergoing another complete review and, in all probability it would not be approved. That is what DOE is saying - they will not allow the old license to be used without a review and when they review the old license they won't approve it.

Furthermore, even if DOE would approve it, Congress would pass an export ban on Alaska gas. This is what Senator Stevens told the Alaska Legislature and Alaska press this week in Juneau. Specifically, Stevens referred to US Rep Pelosi's announcement this week indicating the Democrats are considering an energy bill that would include an export ban on Alaska oil.

Marty

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>; K Perry Yahoo <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)
Sent: Mon Jul 14 15:52:47 2008
Subject: Re: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

According to DOE there will NOT be amd there IS no export license! Correct me if I'm wrong, tom/marty... But that's what Slutz told me yesterday even. We need to get the word out on that one,,, also that today's Congress is also saying no license.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 16:50:41 -0700 (PDT)

To: K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>; <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

Bizarre. Almost like sending a press release out multiple times huh??

okay bad comparison.

anyhoo...i'm checking on that line about the export license in this ad. didn't think that was accurate.

at least they're getting the "columns" right finally.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

To: "Frank Bailey" <ftb907@yahoo.com>, "K Perry Yahoo" <krisandclark@yahoo.com>

Date: Monday, July 14, 2008, 3:41 PM

Malcolm is a mess.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: Scott Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>

Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2008 15:39:57

To: Scott R Heyworth <heyworth@gci.net>

Subject: Fw: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

yes!

----- Original Message -----

From: "Malcolm B Roberts" <mbroberts@gci.net>
To: "Bill Walker" <bill-wwa@ak.net>; "Bob Morigeau"
<donnaamor@mtaonline.net>; "Chancy Croft"
<ccroft@alaska.com>; "Cindy
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"Mike Macy" <mmacy@acsalaska.net>; "Paul Fuhs"
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"Rep. Harry Crawford"
<Representative_Harry_Crawford@legis.state.ak.us>;
"Ryan Colgan" <ryan_colgan@hotmail.com>; "Scott
Heyworth"
<heyworth@gci.net>; <Senator_Bill_Wielechowski@legis.state.ak.us>;
"Vic
Fischer" <vicfischer@alaska.com>; "Walter J. Hickel"
<wjhickel@gci.net>

Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:27 PM

Subject: The latest edition of Backbone III ad

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> Please delete the earlier versions of the BBIII ad and use this one. As

> you

> will see, we have restructured the columns of names and groups. The

> headings on each column express clearly the purpose of the ad.

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> The main message is that the State of Alaska most not give away control

of

> our resources. That's what the battle for Statehood was all about.

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> Thank you, Malcolm Roberts 343-2201

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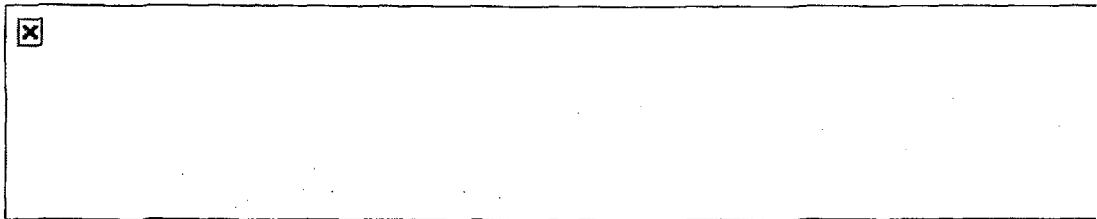
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 3:32 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: NCOIL TO NAIC: SLOW DOWN ON CONTROVERSIAL MARKET CONDUCT PROPOSAL
Importance: High

From: Jordan Estey [mailto:JEstey@nolan-associates.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 10:35 AM
Subject: NCOIL TO NAIC: SLOW DOWN ON CONTROVERSIAL MARKET CONDUCT PROPOSAL
Importance: High



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**NCOIL TO NAIC: SLOW DOWN ON
CONTROVERSIAL MARKET CONDUCT PROPOSAL**

New York, NY, July 15, 2008 — Naming critical concerns regarding confidentiality and authority, the National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) advised a slowdown of a market conduct annual statement (MCAS) proposal being considered by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC). The NCOIL Executive and State-Federal Relations Committees on July 11 and 13 unanimously adopted a resolution questioning an NAIC plan to piggy-back on statutorily required annual financial statements in order to facilitate a centralized NAIC market conduct database, during the NCOIL Summer Meeting here.

Sponsored by NCOIL Vice President and State-Federal Relations Committee Chair, Representative Robert Damron (KY), the resolution says that the NAIC should defer consideration of its project “to fully address the concerns of state legislators and other interested parties—and to give state legislators critical opportunities to consider and develop the appropriate public policy with regard to such [MCAS] data.”

The resolution commits NCOIL to “working with the NAIC and with individual state regulators regarding an appropriate collection of market conduct data that would best serve consumers and insurers and promote modernized insurance marketplaces.” It states, among other things, the following concerns.

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- No state legislature has required a fundamental change or expansion in the nature of the insurer annual statement to include market conduct data.
- NCOIL has concerns regarding NAIC authority to collect market conduct data as part of an annual statement filing.
- NCOIL questions whether the costs of compliance might outweigh the benefits to consumers, insurance companies, regulators, and state legislatures.
- NCOIL has concerns regarding the confidentiality of market conduct data, since such data has not before been made public.

Adoption of the proposal followed a presentation by NAIC Market Regulation and Consumer Affairs (D) Committee Chair, Commissioner John Morrison (MT), and a nearly one-hour discussion between legislators and regulators regarding the NAIC proposal. Legislators asserted that an NCOIL *Market Conduct Surveillance Model Law* adopted in late 2006 to streamline the market conduct examination process may have better served many of the NAIC proposal's goals.

Commissioner Morrison described the (D) Committee proposal to collect MCAS data through the Annual Statement Blank—which has been used to collect company financial data, not market data—and to centrally store and analyze such information at the NAIC. He noted that the NAIC Executive Committee was scheduled to consider the proposal during a July 8 conference call that was postponed without a make-up date due to NAIC administrative employment matters.

NCOIL previously had raised concerns over the NAIC proposal in a May 23 letter from NCOIL Officers to NAIC President, Commissioner Sandy Praeger (KS). The letter urged the NAIC to delay an Executive Committee vote to adopt the proposal and noted that “although NAIC and NCOIL have met repeatedly during NCOIL and NAIC meetings, this particular proposal was not brought forward for discussion.” The NAIC deferred the vote on a May 28 conference call, assuring NCOIL President Representative Brian Kennedy (RI) that it would amply vet the proposal and consider legislative input.

Insurance industry trade groups have been critical of the NAIC proposal, saying that the plan is a way to circumvent state statutes that require market conduct data to be considered confidential and that the NAIC did not have the legal authority to maintain the confidentiality of market conduct data—as required by state statutes.

The NCOIL Summer Meeting was held from July 10 through 13 at the Marriott Marquis.

NCOIL is an organization of state legislators whose main area of public policy interest is insurance legislation and regulation. Most legislators active in NCOIL either chair or are members of the committees responsible for insurance legislation in their respective state houses across the country. More information is available at www.ncoil.org.

For further details, please contact the NCOIL Washington, DC Office at 202-220-3014, or by email at mhumphreys@ncoil.org.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 3:15 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: ASCA's July 2008 Newsletter

From: Zegstroom, Brooke (EED)
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 1:32 PM
To: Brown, Gina S (EED); Fox, Charlotte A (EED); Matz, Janelle (EED sponsored); McNeill, Saunders (EED); Noble, Andrea L (EED); Olson, Susan (EED sponsored)
Cc: Shaginoff, Melissa (EED sponsored)
Subject: ASCA's July 2008 Newsletter

ASCA Newsletter

July 2008

Mission

To foster the development of the arts for all Alaskans through education, partnership, grants and services.

A Note From Charlotte:

First off, I want to apologize for the non graphics on this newsletter. We are between newsletter graphics contractors, and wanted to get this out in a timely manner.

As you may know, the Council awarded over \$500,000 in annual and quarterly grants at their meeting in June. We received \$40,000 increment in state general funds for FY 09, and this marks the 6th year that we have received an increase, and we hope this trend continues. Of course, a critical part of this funding is the recognition that each of you give to your elected officials about their support. I urge you to personally invite legislators to your openings, events, recitals, or even your studio! They need to know that we appreciate their support.

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I also want to make sure each of you puts an important date on your calendar: January 29-31, 2009. That will be the dates of the statewide arts conference in Anchorage. We will be sending out some particulars in September, but please make sure it's in your budget. There are also some travel grant possibilities for you to attend, including the Career Opportunity Grant (with deadlines Sept. 1 and Dec. 1) and the Rasmuson Cultural Leadership grant.

I had the privilege of visiting Ketchikan in May, and the Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council has met their fundraising goal to purchase new digs for their offices and activities. It's an amazing community down there – one of many creative communities in Alaska. ASCA also had our annual meeting in Homer, splendidly hosted by the Homer Council on the Arts, with a dinner, reception and other activities. Our thanks to Hope Finkelstein, Diane Borgman and the HCOA Board, Lance Petersen, Asia Freeman, the Bunnell Street Arts Center Board and Heather Beggs for all their marvelous hospitality.

Upcoming ASCA Meetings:

August 15: Noon-1:30, Council meeting via teleconference

September 19: Noon-1:30, Council meeting via teleconference

For information and agenda, contact ASCA at 1.888.278.7424 or 907.269.6610.

ASCA Awards over \$500,000 in Grants to Artists and Organizations at annual meeting in June

Details available at www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca

ASCA Welcomes Summer Intern, Melissa Shaginoff

ASCA welcomes the addition of our summer First Alaskans Institute Intern Melissa Shaginoff. Melissa is Ahtna Athabascan originally from Chickaloon. She is attending UAA majoring in Fine Art and double-minoring in Alaska Native Studies and Psychology. During her internship Melissa will conduct a research project on Master Alaska Native Artists. She will be collecting information for ASCA primarily from the Ahtna region and compiling information through personal interviews. Melissa is very excited about her project and very grateful to ASCA and First Alaskans for this unique opportunity.

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Governor Palin Announces Council Appointments

Governor Palin appointed Patricia "Jinx" Whitaker, and reappointed Sven D. Haakanson Jr., Peggy Ferguson and Nancy M. Harbour to the Alaska State Council on the Arts in June.

The council's 11 members are charged with helping enrich the cultural life of the state by encouraging the practice, enjoyment and support of the arts in Alaska, and with ensuring that arts and culture continue to be an integral part of Alaskans' lives.

Whitaker, of Fairbanks, is a lifelong Alaskan who has been president since 1979 of the New Horizons Gallery in Fairbanks, an Alaska art gallery with roots in a Fairbanks art supply and framing business started by her parents in 1955. She and her gallery have been active supporters of Alaska arts and artists for decades, carrying artwork from across the state and hosting exhibitions, shows and First Friday open houses. Whitaker serves on the advisory council for the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) honorary doctorate program, sits on Holland America's local advisory committee for Fairbanks, and volunteers for Big Brothers/Big Sisters and a local hospice.

Haakanson, of Kodiak, is director of the Alutiiq Museum and Archeological Repository. An anthropologist with special interest in circumpolar Native art and culture, Haakanson has been a lecturer, manager of archeological digs in Kodiak and teacher on the culture of Arctic peoples in Alaska and Russia. He has held exhibits of Alutiiq cultural objects and art, exhibited his own photographs of Natives and reindeer herders, and done research in Kodiak and Russian Siberia. In 2007, he received the prestigious MacArthur Fellowship award, recognizing his creativity and promise for future accomplishments. Haakanson earned a bachelor's degree from UAF in 1992, and masters and doctoral degrees from Harvard University in 1996 and 2000, respectively.

Ferguson, of Fairbanks, is managing director of the Fairbanks Drama Association & Children's Theatre, and has been a force in Alaska Community Theater for more than 30 years. In addition to her work as a volunteer, director and manager of the Fairbanks Drama Association, she has been development director for the Fairbanks Shakespeare Theatre and the Fairbanks Light Opera Theatre. She is also founding director of the Alaska Light Opera Theater in Anchorage and founder of the Looking Glass Group Theater, and has been managing director of the Valley Performing Arts Center in Palmer, director of the theater division of the Summer Fine Arts Camp in Fairbanks, and Fairbanks manager for the Alaska Repertory Theater. Ferguson has a degree in theater arts and speech from the University of Minnesota.

Harbour, of Anchorage, is president of the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts, Inc. She has served in a number of positions with the Center, starting even before it opened to the public in 1988, rising from marketing/development director, to vice president, and to president in 1997. She has been involved in the arts in Alaska for nearly 30 years, first working in the University of Alaska Anchorage theater department in the 1970s, and rising from statewide touring director to executive

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director of Arts Alaska, Inc. from 1979-87. Harbour has studied English literature at University of Washington, and received undergraduate and graduate certifications in public assembly facility management in 2000 and 2007, respectively.

Artist Opportunities:

Exhibition Prospectus, the Main Street Gallery in Groton, N. Y.

National Photography '08 Exhibition from Oct. 23, 2008- Nov. 23, 2008

Entry forms due September 13, 2008

Call for Entries, Night Visions III- Sept. 27-Nov. 6, 2008

Flagstaff Cultural Partners c/o Coconino Center for the Arts

Arts Administrator Professional Opportunities:

Alaska Dance Theatre is seeking an energetic self motivated individual to run the office in the School of Alaska Dance Theatre. Job duties include working with the Executive and Artistic Director to schedule front office staff and pianists, keeping class records up to date, producing role sheets for instructors, registering students, overseeing any rental contracts, coordinating building maintenance, making deposits, working with the bookkeeper to keep financial records in order, coordinating the logistics for all auditions and the year-end Student Showcase.

Submit a cover letter, a resume and three references to Alaska Dance Theatre.

ATTN: Ruth Glenn, Executive Director

by email: info@alaskadancetheatre.org

fax: 907-274-3078

or mail: 550 E 33rd Ave. Anchorage, AK 99503

Alaska Junior Theatre is currently looking to fill two positions for the following:

-Marketing & PR Associate, full time

-Education Associate, full time

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Send a cover letter, resume and three references by mail or email by

July 15th 2008 to: Lainie Dreas, Executive Director, AJT, 329 F Street, Suite 204, Anchorage, AK 99501. Lainie@akjt.org

Calls for Art

4Culture + Public Art Calls List

www.publicart@4culture.org

A list compiled by Public Art 4Culture provides basic information about current Public Art Calls to Artists as well as current public art opportunities from fellow agencies. Please note each Call may have specific eligibility requirements including geographic restrictions. If you would like to receive this list directly from 4Culture, please contact Willow Fox via the web site www.publicart@4culture.org

ASCA Deadlines:

August 29: Receipt deadline for FY 08 Final Reports. Forms are on the ASCA website. If you received a grant from ASCA during FY 08, this report must be in our offices by Friday, August 29.

September 1: Deadline for Career Opportunity, Workshop and Community Arts Development grant applications. Apply online at <http://alaska.cgweb.org>

July 15 and September 15: Cultural Collaborations Project Grant. Project Grants offer matching funds up to \$6,000 to support high-quality, longer-term experientially based arts and cultural projects or programs for youth outside of the school day. Applications and guidelines are available at: www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca under Arts Education. Please read all guidelines carefully.

November 1- Artists in Schools Residency Grant, Round II. Applications and guidelines are available at <http://alaska.cgweb.org>. Grant applications should be completed by schools wishing to host an AIS residency during the 2008/2009 school year. Please read the guidelines carefully prior to applying.

November 1- Artists in Schools Teaching Artists Applications. Each year the Artists in Schools Program solicits applications from professional teaching artists with a strong desire to share their passion, art and skills with Alaskan students and teachers through school residencies. Applications are due by November 1. Teaching Artist application forms are available at: www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca under Arts Education.

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December 1- Cultural Collaborations Arts Educators Grant. Designed for permanently assigned Alaskan Arts Educators in K-12 settings to reconnect with their art form and immerse themselves in their own creative work and to create new energy and creativity. Offers grant funds up to \$3,000. Applications and guidelines are available at: www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca under Arts Education. Please read all guidelines carefully.

For more information about the Cultural Collaborations and Artists in Schools Program, please contact Susan Olson, Program Director at 1-888-278-7427 (toll-free in Alaska) or (907) 269-6682, or email at susan.olson1@alaska.gov.

Arts in Education

Please visit our website at www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca to view recent artist in schools photos!

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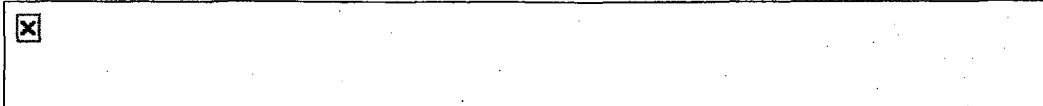
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"what lies behind us and what lies before us
are tiny matters compared to what lies within us"

—Ralph Waldo Emerson



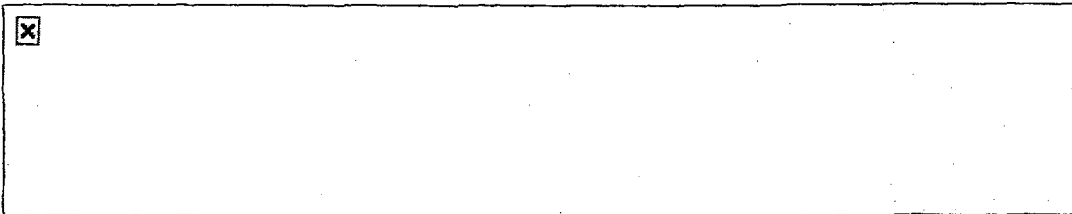
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 2:56 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: NCOIL INSURANCE SCORING MODEL HAS REGULATION UNDER CONTROL, NEW RESOLUTION ASSERTS
Importance: High

From: Candace Thorson [mailto:CThorson@nolan-associates.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:41 PM
Subject: NCOIL INSURANCE SCORING MODEL HAS REGULATION UNDER CONTROL, NEW RESOLUTION ASSERTS
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CONTACT:
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NCOIL INSURANCE SCORING MODEL HAS REGULATION UNDER CONTROL, NEW RESOLUTION ASSERTS

New York, New York, June 14, 2008—As Congress debates bills that would toss aside state efforts to regulate credit-based insurance scoring, the National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) on July 13 adopted a *Resolution Supporting State Regulation of the Use of Credit Information in Personal Insurance*—which highlights the ongoing 26-state success of an NCOIL insurance scoring model act and opposes federal plans to usurp state prerogative.

The resolution, adopted during the NCOIL Summer Meeting in New York City, recognizes the 2002 NCOIL model's ability to protect consumers and promote competitive insurance markets, including provisions that assist the young, old, and those who suffer extraordinary life events. Nearly all states, the resolution notes, regulate credit-based scoring. The NCOIL resolution says also that H.R. 5633, the *Nondiscriminatory Use of Consumer Reports and Consumer Information Act of 2008* and H.R. 6062, the *Personal Lines of Insurance Fairness Act of 2008*, would intrude on state-level efforts to oversee insurance scoring.

The NCOIL resolution opposes any federal legislation that would disregard legislatures' ability to determine what is best for their individual states and would infringe on state authority to regulate the business of insurance. Proponents of the pending bills say they would remedy concerns that insurance scores serve as "stand-ins" for race, income, or ethnicity.

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According to NCOIL Secretary Rep. George Keiser (ND), sponsor of the resolution, "The NCOIL model successfully balances consumer and other interests and makes it clear, in our opinion, that federal regulation is unnecessary. Those in Congress who worry about the fairness of insurance scoring should read the NCOIL model law and look at what NCOIL-based states have accomplished—since most states resolved this issue, in a timely way, several years ago."

In general, the NCOIL *Model Act Regarding Use of Credit Information in Personal Insurance* prohibits credit experience from being the sole factor influencing a personal-lines underwriting or rating decision and provides for use of updated credit information, among other things.

Adoption of the NCOIL resolution followed Rep. Keiser's May 21 testimony at a U.S. House Subcommittee on Oversight & Investigations hearing entitled *The Impact of Credit-Based Insurance Scoring on the Availability and Affordability of Insurance*.

The NCOIL Executive Committee vote on July 13 followed Property-Casualty Insurance Committee adoption of the resolution on July 11. The NCOIL Summer Meeting was held at the Marriott Marquis in Times Square.

NCOIL is an organization of state legislators whose main area of public policy interest is insurance legislation and regulation. Most legislators active in NCOIL either chair or are members of the committees responsible for insurance legislation in their respective state houses across the country. More information is available at www.ncoil.org.

For further details, please contact Candace Thorson at 518-687-0178 or at cthorsen@ncoil.org.

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Cc: Rowland; Mindy B (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
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To: Goode; Kelly C (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); K Perry Yahoo
Cc: Rowland; Mindy B (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sen Wagoner

Good. And know that I am willing to work with wagoner and the other folks who have shown reasonableness through all these months... those who have good ideas and don't want to kill a proposal just because it came from us, vs considering it on its merits. Thank you!

From: "Goode, Kelly C (GOV)" <kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 09:28:49 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; K Perry Yahoo<krisandclark@yahoo.com>
CC: Rowland, Mindy B (GOV)<mindy.rowland@alaska.gov>; Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Sen Wagoner

The supplemental application deals with those who do not request a PFD or who are living in Alaska but do not yet qualify for the 2008 dividend. After watching this morning's committee meeting, it looks like the committee wants us to draft new language addressing some of their concerns: fiscal impact of sending out an additional checks, and working the application process, the fact that the funds are not subject to garnishment, the issue that the check doesn't deal with the energy crisis but is a resource rebate...

And, I do believe Wagoner understands the way to get to Roads to Resources and is actively working on it.

We will all work on the package of legislation and try and find a good compromise on the bills.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 2:15 PM
To: Burkert; Erin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 7:47 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. TC Robinson
address: 10660 Clearpoint Drive Chesterfield VA 23832

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

My name is TC Robinson, and I am an 18 year old college student from Chesterfield, VA. I'm sure you may be wondering why someone from the other side of the country would want to contact you, and quite frankly the reason is simple. I hope to one day have a career in public service. For a long time, well, for at least the last few years, I've struggled to find leaders to look up to. Granted, there have been a few, but they have either proved to be an illusion, or simply a huge disappointment. Well, I'm happy to say that I've found that leader, one who I don't believe will disappoint me. Governor Palin, that leader is you.

I have followed you since your election as Governor in 2006. Your courage then, standing up to the political establishment and questioning your leaders, is a quality few hold. People forget that government SHOULD be held accountable and questioned, even if it brings their downfall. If more people did what you did, our government would have an efficiency few would rival. Your style of governing, with your pledge of accountability and transparency, is one I hope to follow.

I know you have been mentioned as a potential running mate for Senator John McCain. Let me just say that for lack of a better word, Sen. McCain would be a fool not to pick you. Alaska needed you in 2006, well, America needs you now. You are the future of the Republican Party, and if I have anything to say about it, I'll help elect you President one day.

Keep up the good work, and give my best to all your family.

Sincerely,

TC Robinson

tctfmp@yahoo.com

Byers, Gail Y (LAW)

From: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LVON_SCHEBEN]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 11:52 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: FW: Western Access Briefing

Governor, has promised here is a brief paper on the Western Alaska Corridor (Nome Road) for your info. LEO

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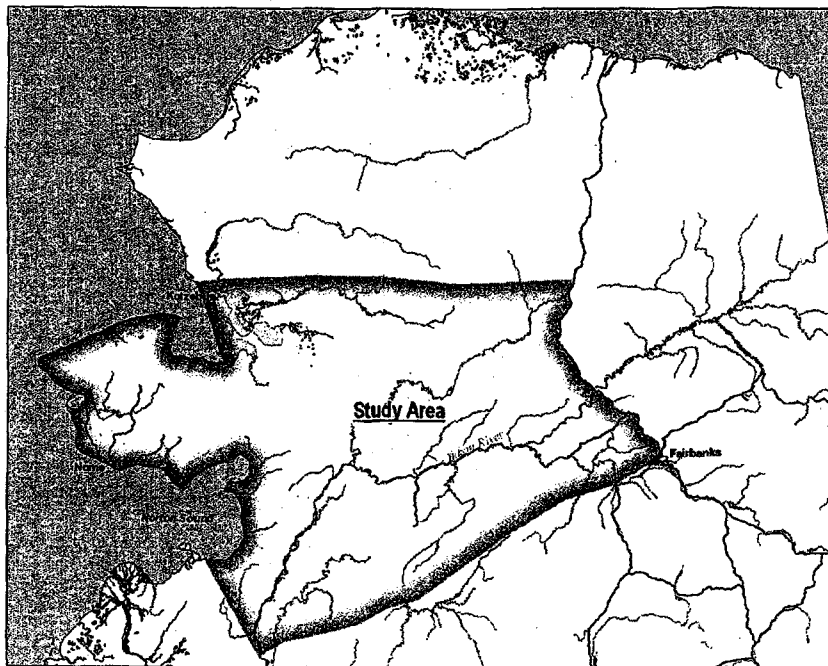
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Governor's Briefing Western Alaska Access Planning Study

In May of this year DOT&PF issued an RFP to analyze the potential for constructing a highway between the contiguous Alaska highway system and the isolated highway system on the Seward Peninsula. Contract negotiations are currently underway with DOWL Engineers and are expected to be completed within a month. The study is expected to be complete by August 2009. The budget for this initial planning study is \$1,000,000. The study will result in recommendations and cost estimates for actions needed to implement construction.

The purpose of this highway is to facilitate resource and community development in the region. The study encompasses the area west of the Dalton Highway, north of the Yukon and lower Tanana River basins and south of the Brooks Range (see map). The length of the proposed highway is approximately 600 miles, depending on the route.

Alternative routes will be identified based on potential economic benefits, topographic and environmental constraints and land management considerations. Planning level estimates will be prepared for design, construction and maintenance. The study will include review and update of all relevant information from previous publications and studies.



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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 11:47 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Recruitment and Retention

Governor:

I understand that other commissioners have had opportunities to talk with you about recruitment and retention. I have not had the same opportunity to provide you with an update on all that has happened since you became Governor and appointed me to this position.

It became clear to me early on, that 1-2% salary increases were not going to solve our recruitment and retention problems. I communicated that to Mike Tibbles and to legislators. But, I also remain convinced that the Working Group can address issues like telecommuting, which could allow State employees with families to not have to pay for day care two or three days a week, and 4-day work weeks, which save on gas and day care costs are other avenues we can implement. These will be discussed again in our next Working Group meeting.

- 1) I have successfully negotiated 8 out of 11 labor contracts. All of them, the best contracts in 15 years. These employees (all but the maritime unions) have seen or by July 28 will see from 5% to 8.5% salary increases since you took office. The new PSEA contract (5%) is at least on par with the Municipality of Anchorage, and better when you consider the State pays SBS and MOA does not.
- 2) Salary increases for GGU and SU took effect May 1, and were seen in paychecks **May 28**. These employees received 4 and 5.5% respectively, beginning on May 1, and retroactive to July 1, 2007. They also received a 3% increase beginning July 1. Commissioners von Scheben and Hartig did a survey of employees in **March** – prior to these salary increases impacting their employees. I am not surprised that the employees surveyed, who at that time had not seen any increases, said that salary was the biggest issue for them. I would like to see a new survey done in October, which reflects these new increases.
- 3) We successfully got HB 417 through the Legislature, bringing the non-covered employees (attorneys at OPA/PD and Department of Law, and other rank and file positions) up 5.5%. We removed impediments to service step improvements which will mean a 3.75% increase to employees every two years after Step F (with a good evaluation and regardless of any other negotiated increases). This indirectly will save time and effort as Division of Personnel employees won't have to make and audit complicated calculations about placement on the salary schedule.
- 4) I had directed our folks to work with the Department of Health and Social Services to see if we could help provide some assistance with the difficulties in recruitment and retention of social workers. I testified during our budget

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hearings and, I believe, during hearings on HB 417 that we would look specifically at this problem. My understanding is that the meeting yesterday went well, DHSS has some concepts that they are discussing with Commissioner Hogan internally and we'll see if it meets their needs.

- 5) I have a meeting July 23 with Mike Nizich, Karen Rehfeld and Commissioners Irwin, Lloyd and Hartig, and AG Colberg to talk about professional positions and difficulty recruiting for some of these. I understand that the State must be competitive in positions that are necessary to support resource development. We increased AOGCC engineers' salaries to \$150,000 in August of 2007 and followed (as we promised DNR) with support for the increase to Division of O&G engineers to \$150,000 in the legislative session. These increases were singled out in our budget subcommittee and I was asked about the relationship between the increases. I have publicly supported the need to increase these salaries so our mission critical employees are not picked off by the oil companies.
- 6) We received \$400,000 for a geographic differential study. This piece will (if the Legislature implements) rectify pay problems and inequities of cost of living throughout Alaska. I am working with the unions and will be working with legislators as the elections get closer to talk through the politics of implementing the results of the study. I'm very familiar with the background of why this has failed in the past. The fact that the Legislature agreed to fund it makes me cautiously optimistic about implementation.
- 7) If you have an opportunity to re-read pages 11-12 of the Working Group report - you can see all of the efforts that have, are and will be put to addressing recruitment and retention. We're marching right down the list of what we said we'd do.

I am in fairly constant communication with the hundreds of hiring managers who work for the commissioners. I am taking their suggestions and they are helping implement mine:

- a) Telling departments to stop advertising positions and asking for SOA experience only. Yes, this is still happening.
- b) Helping departments to stop writing minimum qualifications so tightly that no one applies.

What I've heard you say is that you are trying to constrain growth to 4% per year. I've already helped us go over that to the tune of about 9% for salary increases that have been sorely needed. My plan is to continue the momentum. I have always stayed in close contact with the Chief of Staff to ensure we are on the same page. This situation didn't happen overnight, and we are on a path to making sustainable changes.

Please let me know if there are things that you are concerned about that I may be overlooking. I appreciate your confidence in my ability to tackle this multi-faceted problem for the long haul, not just short-term fixes.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 8:39 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Rd to Nome

Great mines think on the same path. Your e mail is uncanny. Just this Friday I had written a draft memo of my update to you on 1 1/2 years on the job and in it was my suggestion of a road to Nome as a legacy for your administration. We both know that there are no roads in Alaska that really go East and West. What a great opportunity to go West to Nome.

This winter Northern Region Director Steve Titus and I discussed the idea and I gave him the go ahead for a study at that time. We have selected a consultant just recently but at this point that is all I know. Should have more to follow today as to scope/scale etc. I will get you and update asap. LEO

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 10:51 AM
To: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT); Richards, Frank T (DOT)
Cc: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Rd to Nome

Leo- I've heard that there's been preliminary work done on the idea of building a road to connect us to our resources in Nome. True? That'd be great if it's true. What's the cost? We need to start building infrastructure- esp in areas where the residents truly want the roads. Pls give me a status report on Nome Rd plan. Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 3:38 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Weekly: No Time for Crying in Our Soup

From: membership@uschamber.com [mailto:membership@uschamber.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 1:23 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Weekly: No Time for Crying in Our Soup

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By Tom Donohue, President and CEO



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The U.S. Chamber stopped in Fargo, North Dakota, as part of its six-city road show to illustrate the benefits of more widely available broadband.



Chamber Praises President's Action to Lift Energy Exploration Ban

The U.S. Chamber applauded President Bush's decision to lift a decades-old executive order banning oil exploration in the Outer Continental Shelf.



Chamber Fights for Business Phone Deductions

The U.S. Chamber is strongly supporting legislation that would make it easier for businesses to write off the cost of cell phones, BlackBerries, and similar telecommunication devices provided to employees.

Chamber Coalition Defends Employer-Based Health Care Coverage

The Chamber-led National Coalition on Benefits is urging Congress to preserve employer-

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Recent polls on energy have demonstrated that public opinion is changing. A recent survey showed that 81% of the American people support the United States using more of its own domestic energy resources, including the oil and coal already here in the U.S., to combat the rising cost of energy and reduce dependence on foreign energy sources.

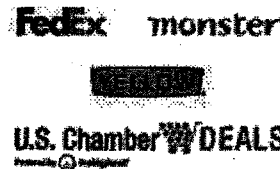
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To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: Exxon

Outrageous. Unbelievable!
Glad we have the one attorney most folks can like though.

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From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 16:51:58 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Exxon

Dear Governor Palin,

Today Exxon filed a Response to the plaintiff request for a court ruling that interest is due on the judgment. In their arguments, which are certain to further enrage plaintiffs Exxon, among other things states:

- "...Exxon does not agree that there is any sound basis to award plaintiffs what they seek – approximately \$488 million over and above the 507.5 million ..."
- "... all plaintiffs here were fully compensated years ago; no plaintiff has any type of personal or property right to be paid punitive damages..."
- "There is also no reason to penalize Exxon by awarding another \$488 million (interest claimed) in damages..."
- Most incredibly the following statement is in their argument today:

"Absent plaintiffs' inciting the district court to ignore the Ninth Circuit's rulings, this case might have been concluded years ago."

- "Plaintiffs won nothing like a 'clear-cut victory here."
- "... the Court should include in the judgment interest only from the date (June of this year) of this Court's judgment fixing the legal size of the punitive damages award."

So it continues.... It is no wonder people hate attorneys. Talis

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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 2:58 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Waste Management Offers to Buy Republic Services

From: Waste Business Journal [mailto:info@wastebusinessjournal.com]
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 2:27 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Waste Management Offers to Buy Republic Services

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WASTE MANAGEMENT OFFERS TO BUY REPUBLIC SERVICES FOR \$6.19 BILLION

Waste Management launched an unsolicited surprise counter offer to buy Republic Services for about \$6.19 billion, potentially derailing Republic's deal to acquire Allied Waste Industries Inc. for \$6.77 billion. Republic said in a statement that it would carefully review the proposal and respond in due course, but the company noted that it already had a definitive merger agreement with Allied Waste. Waste Management's bid of \$34 per share represents a 22% premium to Republic's recent closing price, but that stock had been off by 17% since rumors of its deal to buy Allied first surfaced. Therefore, it is likely that Waste Management will have to sweeten its offer before all is said and done.

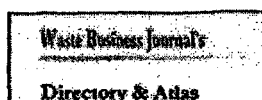
It is also likely that the greater level of overlap between the two companies' markets will necessitate some divestitures; however, according to Waste Management's Chairman and CEO, David Steiner, "we're also certain the assets we'll get to keep are significant and make for a compelling transaction." Republic's strong business in Las Vegas is an especially compelling asset, said Steiner. Even with divestitures, the merger is likely to result in an expansion of Waste Management's share of the \$55 billion waste management industry to 30% from 24%.

According to Steiner, "Our proposal clearly offers a better and more certain value alternative to Republic stockholders than the recently announced Republic-Allied Waste transaction."

Waste Management is drawing strength from its own recent performance. The company said it expected to report second-quarter earnings of between \$0.61 and \$0.62 per share, excluding special items, exceeding analysts' average estimate of \$0.58. Revenue rose 3.9% to \$3.49 billion during the quarter from a year earlier. Analysts were expecting \$3.43 billion...[Read More »](#)

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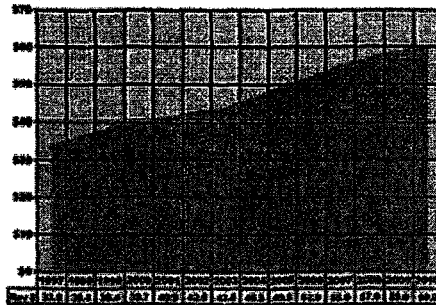
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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 9:23 AM
To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Rd to Nome

Fyi forwarding leo's good response:

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To: Kel Goode; Goode; Kelly C (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Nome Road

Fyi, speaking of roads! Let wagonner know that I know we can use surplus for infrastructure... Maybe his crew needs to get into leadership so we could get some support for such things... see below:

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Cc: M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Click Bishop<clark.bishop@alaska.gov>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>; Leo Von Scheben<leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>; Emil Notti<emil.notti@alaska.gov>

Subject: Fw: Nome Road

Fyi for message incorporation... projects like access roads and building up infrastructure for future economic growth are also on our agenda - I'm afraid Alaskans are believing we're "all AGIA all the time", at the exclusion of other needs. So, when we get opportunities to proactively incorporate into our speeches, pressers, etc our other focuses, we need to do so (like building up our infrastructure with a good idea like an access road to our minerals I see below):

(And note, there's been no major road built since the 70's... we're in the time of surplus where we can build up our infrastructure to create jobs, create access to rich resources in areas people want roads to resources so we can diversify our economy)

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To: Leo Von Scheben<leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>; Click Bishop<clark.bishop@alaska.gov>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Cc: Randy Ruaro<randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>; M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

<john.reeves@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: Nome Road

I've asked Randy to look into the preliminary work that's been done on a road to connect Alaskans with their resources in the rich area of Nome. No major access road has been built in Alaska since the 70's, we're in a time of surplus where we should be building up infrastructure in areas people want roads and access for development, and we need to build access to further diversify our resource development base... so heads up that Randy will be contacting you who are needed to provide him info on this as we think big and proactively work towards enabling development for AK's future. Thanks!

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 12:24 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Rowland; Mindy B (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sen Wagoner

Remind leggies they don't have to be the bad guys and ax the program nexy year- I won't be proposing it next year. As Randy says, we're clear this is a one-time surplus rebate to tide folks over during transitional period as they weatherize their homes and fund some start up conservation efforts to deal with rising costs of everything.

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 11:29:46 -0800
To: Goode, Kelly C (GOV) <kelly.goode@alaska.gov>; <gov.palin@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV) <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
CC: Rowland, Mindy B (GOV) <mindy.rowland@alaska.gov>; Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV) <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Sen Wagoner

Thanks Kelly.

I understand Sen. Wagoners' concerns and there are other legislators that are wary of spending nearly \$800m by giving it to residents. They want to control all the spending of all the money, whether there is a surplus or not.

The concept of having the rebate apply to all "residents" is that Article 8 of our constitution establishes the principle of our resources belonging to all residents. I suppose a payment could go to a household instead and that could reduce the total spend, but if you go to households you will also get pushback from D's (Cissna, etc.) about people who don't have a home to show as a household.

As to the supplemental application process, one of the main reasons we went to it is to allow all the veterans who don't apply for the PFD (because the feds take it off their VA benefits) to get the benefit of this payment. These are disabled vets and vets over 65 making under \$13,000 a year. Some of our most vulnerable vets.

The transmittal letter, the bill, and my testimony are very clear that this is a special one-time payment. It is different than the PFD which was intended to be "permanent". But, legislators may be worried there will be constituents who will always want more and they have to be the bad guys next year who don't renew the program. That's probably true that some constituents will always want more money. But those folks will want more money regardless of this bill.

There are other needs in the State like transportation and we have introduced an appropriation bill that includes roads. We also introduced a transportation endowment bill last year that would have provided another \$50 million a year for road projects statewide like the Sterling Highway project that is his number one priority. I think we will be introducing some sort of similar endowment bill again next session. So the passage of the resource rebate bill does not mean we won't be doing things for transportation in the future.

There is opposition. But I think legislators who vote no are going to have to face some very angry constituents who are getting hammered by high fuel prices and want some relief.

I will continue working with C&RA members on technical or minor amendments and try to count votes this

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week and report in.

Randy

From: Goode, Kelly C (GOV)
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To: gov.palin@yahoo.com; Nizich, Michael A (GOV); krisandclark@yahoo.com
Cc: Rowland, Mindy B (GOV); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Sen Wagoner

Good morning,

Yesterday I visited with Sen Wagoner for a little while. He wanted to share his strong concerns with the rebate legislation. Since this will be front and center next week, it is important to pass along his comments.

- 1) He'd like to see any approved payment apply to a household only and not to all residents. In fact, he'd like to see the payment go to a person with a utility bill; possibly passing through a utility company.
- 2) He adamantly disagrees with the supplemental application.
- 3) If it goes to the floor for a vote as it was introduced, he will not be able to support it and believes others will not as well.
- 4) His main concerns are the potential entitlement the check creates and he thinks there are other ways to spend the money to assist all Alaskans i.e. infrastructure via roads etc...

We will probably come across others who share this general opinion.

Thanks, Kelly

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Subject: Re: KABATA

Thanks !

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From: "Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)" <leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 12:09:16 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: KABATA

Governor, I haven't forgotten your request for a debriefing on KABATA. I will be in touch soon. LEO

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To: Savonoski@aol.com; aferguson@BBNC.NET; dmcclore@bbha.org; aanderson@bbha.org; manager@dillinghamak.us; chris@bbedc.com; cwood@bbahc.org; dsohara@bristolbay.com; dhoke@choggiung.com; dvukich@nea.coop; andora@nushtel.net; dorothy@curyungtribe.com; dholt@bbahc.org; frank@bbedc.com; fcorbin@nushagak.coop; heolson@hotmail.com; inez@bbnc.net; jsinz@BBNC.NET; Strandberg; Jim (AIDEA); planner@dillinghamak.us; judi@dlgsd.org; keggie@bbedc.com; mpease@acsalaska.net; nfavors@nushagak.coop; randers@bbna.com; bhimschoot@gci.com; russell@dcsd.k12.ak.us; snoonk@mac.com; slamson@nea.coop; akpc@alaska.net; dortarson@gci.net; DorLarson@aol.com; jmetrokin@BBNC.NET; jmchytnt@nushtel.net; Marie4099678@yahoo.com; mkbrownunk@mac.com; mkritz@unicom-alaska.com; pandrew@bbna.com; wwlbfish@nushtel.net; rclark@bbahc.org; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Parnell; Sean R (GOV); Haagenson; Steven H (AIDEA); Notti; Emil R (CED); Hoffman; Lyman F (LAA)

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Everyone,

The energy issue is going to attract a tremendous amount of debate and attention once the legislature turns to the issue, which will be next week. In the meantime there has been a regular stream of sidebar meetings on the issue. In a nutshell there is no consensus position on what we should do with the Governor's \$1200 rebate and her PCE proposal.

I've been meeting with both urban and rural legislators every day. If you followed the House C&RA meeting this morning you would quickly understand why some legislators are saying the energy issue might be dicier than the gasoline proposal.

I'm doing everything I possibly can to push the issue of short term relief. Bush Alaska needs it to survive the winter. I've been talking with everyone: republicans and democrats alike. Let me also say that we're darn fortunate to have Lyman as Co-Chair of Senate Finance. The other plus is the Fairbanks delegation is fully engaged.

The issue is code red for Bush Alaska. I appreciate BBNC's (and everyone else's) efforts to step up and make a difference for the region.

Bryce

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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 3:46 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'
Subject: Commissioner Kopp

Governor-

The media got wind that a sexual harassment complaint was filed against Commissioner Kopp in 2005. The accusation was investigation and found to have no substance. Commissioner Kopp said that he spoke to you and the Lt. Gov about the allegation during the transition. I just want to make sure you are aware of this - reporters are asking if you knew about this before he was hired.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 5:51 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Boehner/Alaska

I would hope so since it's a first family picnic but we'll double check. I'll let John know so he can notify Boehner.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Tue Jul 15 05:39:49 2008
Subject: Re: Boehner/Alaska

Sounds acceptable. From picnic to airport to fairbanks for overnighner. May staff and first family members ride in caravan (at least two from first family)? Pls make sure it's ok w/dps and linda perez.

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To: Governor Sarah Palin
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To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
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Cc: Todd; Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Blog

I ask for that flagging because Pat Daugherty said that's the only way to know what's bogus on their blog- and I don't blog nor have access to flagging anyway on these devices.

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Cc: Todd<fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

Subject: Blog

Can someone flag the lie in the blog "sexy highway talk among governors" that claims Trig was in the fender bender with me- and he wasn't in a car seat on my commute. Sheeeesh.

I WISH ADN would follow up on that one (as the blogger asks ADN to do) so that I can put that rumor to rest... Rumor is Walt reported me so I fired him. What an idiot blog entry, very easy to counter with the truth when half a dozen APD cops responded and witnessed no Trig in vehicle.

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 3:11 AM
To: Frank Bailey; K Perry Yahoo; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Cc: Todd; Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Blog

Can someone flag the lie in the blog "sexy highway talk among governors" that claims Trig was in the fender bender with me- and he wasn't in a car seat on my commute. Sheeeesh.

I WISH ADN would follow up on that one (as the blogger asks ADN to do) so that I can put that rumor to rest... Rumor is Walt reported me so I fired him. What an idiot blog entry, very easy to counter with the truth when half a dozen APD cops responded and witnessed no Trig in vehicle.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 2:55 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Morgan; Katryn L (GOV); Saddler; Daniel R (GOV); Ivy personal; Kelsey; Mark D (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Bishop; Clark C (DOL); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Notti; Emil R (CED)
Subject: Fw: Nome Road

Fyi for message incorporation... projects like access roads and building up infrastructure for future economic growth are also on our agenda - I'm afraid Alaskans are believing we're "all AGIA all the time", at the exclusion of other needs. So, when we get opportunities to proactively incorporate into our speeches, pressers, etc our other focuses, we need to do so (like building up our infrastructure with a good idea like an access road to our minerals I see below):

(And note, there's been no major road built since the 70's... we're in the time of surplus where we can build up our infrastructure to create jobs, create access to rich resources in areas people want roads to resources so we can diversify our economy)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 10:35:39

To: Leo Von Scheben<leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>; Click Bishop<clark.bishop@alaska.gov>; Tom Irwin<tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Cc: Randy Ruaro<randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>; M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; <john.reeves@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: Nome Road

I've asked Randy to look into the preliminary work that's been done on a road to connect Alaskans with their resources in the rich area of Nome. No major access road has been built in Alaska since the 70's, we're in a time of surplus where we should be building up infrastructure in areas people want roads and access for development, and we need to build access to further diversify our resource development base... so heads up that Randy will be contacting you who are needed to provide him info on this as we think big and proactively work towards enabling development for AK's future. Thanks!

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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 2:36 AM
To: Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Bishop; Clark C (DOL); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Cc: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Reeves; John M (DOT); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 9:56 AM
To: Morgan; Katryn L (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: 07.17.08 ANWR Tour Press Conference

Thanks Kate. Is the press aware that we'll be there w congress at this event? Also, are these congressmen already in support of or opposed to anwr?

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From: "Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)" <kate.morgan@alaska.gov>
Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2008 09:19:36 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Mason, Janice L (GOV)
<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)<rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>
Subject: 07.17.08 ANWR Tour Press Conference

Governor,

Here are your remarks and event info for the Congressional Challengers ANWR Tour Press Conference on Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Your remarks are also included as text in the body of this email. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks so much and have a good trip home!

Kate Morgan
Communications Coordinator
Office of Governor Sarah Palin
(907) 269-7450

**ANWR Congressional Tour Press Conference
July 17, 2008 @ 10:30, Millennium Hotel**

Thank you, Mike, for that introduction, & good morning☺ To the congressional candidates who are with us today – welcome. We so appreciate your interest & pro-active investigation into AK's resources. We, your northernmost neighbors, have not only watched fuel & energy prices as they soar to astronomical highs, we have felt it. Many in AK face the choice between heating their home & putting food on their table, & I know that – regrettably – some Americans in the Lower 48 are experiencing the same challenges.

The price of oil, & now, gasoline, has become sensitive & subject to events occurring outside the United States. We have placed ourselves in a

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position of having to plead with suppliers in the Middle East to increase production when, **instead**, we could **lift** the development bans that are keeping us from our own resource independence.

The endless debate over energy prices is especially frustrating to AKns, b/c we know that we are ready to be part of the solution. On your tour, you've seen evidence that AK truly is a resource-rich state, with huge deposits of oil & natural gas, & we hope that you will agree that these resources should be developed to benefit the rest of the nation. Opening up just that sliver of ANWR could produce enough oil – an estimated one million barrels per day – to ease the fuel crisis & reduce our dependence on foreign oil. This could be accomplished through sound science & a tiny footprint in that vast wilderness of nearly 20 million acres.

I have joined Pres. Bush in calling on Congress to open ANWR, & I appreciate that our president recognizes this is the right course of action. I applaud the president in lifting the ban on drilling in federal offshore areas. AK's offshore federal lands in the Beaufort & Chuckchi Seas alone contain an estimated 25 billion barrels of oil & 100 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. But that's not enough. That's where you can help, b/c we need Congress' approval to move forward.

And where natural gas is concerned, AKns are finally seeing progress in developing that resource after three decades of effort. Thanks to recent legislation – our Alaska Gasline Inducement Act, or AGIA – which provides the private sector with the necessary incentive to compete, our gas pipeline is ready to move from a hope to a reality. As competition increases desire to produce, we **eagerly** look forward to being a help to the rest of the nation in this time of energy crisis.

Over the last few days you've seen **firsthand** the safety measures & sound science that would not only lay the foundation for AK's economic future, but also lead the way toward lessening America's dependence on foreign oil. I believe it is imperative that we protect the security & economic freedom of Americans by responsibly developing our known resources. Well, I know we're all eager to

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hear the impressions that each of you have of our state & your travel thus far, so I'll close by saying again how much we appreciate your willingness to come & see for yourself what ANWR & development in AK truly is all about.

Thank you!

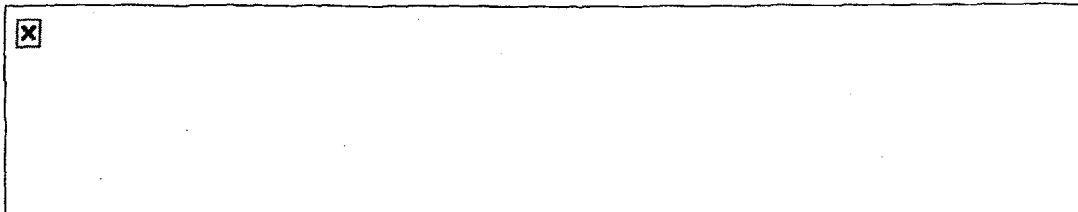
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 9:28 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: NCOIL TARGETS HEALTH REFORM AT SUMMER MEETING—SUPPORTS EXTENDING YOUNG ADULT HEALTH BENEFITS
Importance: High

From: Jordan Estey [mailto:JEstey@nolan-associates.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 3:31 PM
Subject: NCOIL TARGETS HEALTH REFORM AT SUMMER MEETING—SUPPORTS EXTENDING YOUNG ADULT HEALTH BENEFITS
Importance: High



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Susan Nolan
Jordan
Estey
NCOIL National Office
518-687-0178

**NCOIL TARGETS HEALTH REFORM AT SUMMER MEETING—SUPPORTS
EXTENDING YOUNG ADULT HEALTH BENEFITS**

New York, NY, July 15, 2008 — As part of an ongoing effort to increase health insurance access and affordability for the uninsured and underinsured, the National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) adopted on July 13 a *Resolution in Support of Extending Dependent Health Benefits for Young Adults*. Lawmakers acted during the July 10 through July 13 NCOIL Summer Meeting here.

According to Rep. Susan Westrom (KY), Committee co-chair and sponsor of the resolution said,

It is hard for young adults to obtain health insurance—they move in and out of jobs more frequently and are more likely to be employed in positions where benefits are not available. While extending benefits to young adults is not a panacea to the many access problems facing our health insurance system, it allows them to obtain coverage that would otherwise be unavailable or unaffordable.

The resolution recognizes state efforts to provide additional health insurance benefits for young adults. It supports the extension of existing dependent health insurance benefits to individuals up to age 25, regardless of student status, and encourages states to enact legislation presenting master policy holders with an option to purchase such extended benefits for young individuals.

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At least 20 states have passed similar legislation in recent years, including Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Utah and Washington.

Studies indicate that 30 percent of young adults between the ages of 19 and 29 are at risk of being uninsured. Most young adults lose dependent health insurance coverage under their parent's or guardian's policy at the age of 19, or when they graduate from college. While most parents cover their children or dependents through their employer, nearly 60 percent of these health plans do not cover young adults beyond 19 who are not enrolled in college.

The NCOIL Health, Long-Term Care & Health Retirement Issues Committee adopted the resolution by a large margin on July 11, followed by unanimous adoption by the Executive Committee on July 13. The resolution was amended during the July 11 Health Committee meeting to reflect 2008 state activity and to address cost-related issues.

The resolution is part of an active NCOIL effort to develop effective approaches to health insurance concerns, such as access, affordability, and transparency. On July 12, NCOIL sought to find such answers in a symposium entitled *State Health Innovations: What Works? What Doesn't?* Panel participants explored the major reform barriers and discussed the impacts of state initiatives, including individual mandates, employer pay-or-play provisions, high-risk pools and advancements in health information technology.

At a July 13 roundtable discussion, legislators affirmed a continued commitment to health insurance reform in areas not inhibited by federal preemptive measures such as ERISA, and spoke of forming a task force dedicated to review data, examine impacts and pursue new innovations.

The NCOIL Summer Meeting was held from July 10 through July 13 at the Marriot Marquis in New York City.

NCOIL is an organization of state legislators whose public policy concern is insurance legislation and regulation. Most legislators active in NCOIL either chair or are members of the committees responsible for insurance legislation in their respective state houses across the country.

For further details, please contact the NCOIL National Office at 518-687-0178.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 7:23 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: Best News Ever On In-State Gas

Nice comments- we like his thinking, he "gets it". Do enough of the other folks get it?
I'm in the Anchorage office in a few, give me a ring if you all have a minute to update me on all the balls in the air.

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From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 07:00:31 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>; Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)<patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV) <joe.balash@alaska.gov>
Subject: Fw: Best News Ever On In-State Gas

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From: jkauffman@gci.net <jkauffman@gci.net>
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
Sent: Wed Jul 16 06:53:16 2008
Subject: Best News Ever On In-State Gas

Tom, Congratulations on the new energy plan just rolled out! It is finally time to see gas development open up in Cook inlet, this plan will be remembered as the keystone in Public/Private ventures in our State. To me, there is nothing better for the Public Interest than the State investing to make these kind of ventures successful. Reasonable returns for resource development for more parties (Producers, State, People, Industry, etc.) will drive the market to a strong economy. I love this plan as it makes the current producers irrelevant, if they want to stay in the past so be it. DNR may not be able to handle the flood of inquiries for exploration! Again thanks for the news!

----- Original Message -----

From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR) <<mailto:tom.irwin@alaska.gov>>
To: jkauffman@gci.net
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 1:29 PM
Subject: RE: AGIA Soldotna

Jim, wanted to let you know I received your email and I appreciate you taking the time to share your thoughts on such an important issue. Thank you! Tom

From: jkauffman@gci.net [<mailto:jkauffman@gci.net>]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 10:54 AM
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
Subject: AGIA Soldotna

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Commissioner Tom Irwin

Jim Kauffman

You spoke to me, if you remember, after the Soldotna AGIA meeting. I was glad to hear your passion in describing the three big needs before us. 1. The Big Line 2. In-State Gas 3. Cash Relief.

I could not agree more

The State is at a watershed moment that if we fail to navigate carefully all three of the objectives may be lost in endless litigation and political in fighting, which would delight some parties.

I have passed on your thank you to those pushing for in-State gas, but would suggest that Governor Palin is great position to sail through these rough waters. There seems to me to be a clear path that would take #3 Energy Relief Plan (\$1,200) add to it #2 limited in-State plan and it equals a guarantee win for #1 being a Trans Canada unanimous victory in the big pipe.

Simply move now on In-State gas with a pipe that can give open access in Cook Inlet, Mat-Su, Glennallen--Beluga to Delta--. State 60% Trans Canada 10%. Trans Canada wins favor by providing gas to people of Alaska co-operating with ANGDA (state Corp.). Trans Canada's big line starts in Beluga and lets T.C. decide ultimate size customers will determine final plans. Mitsubishi Corp. may be a good customer from Glennallen South, let T.C. decide. Pipe size North of Delta, East of Delta T.C. can do it. Enstar bullet from Delta or whatever is best for Fairbanks. ANGDA's marketing plan is great, give them a chance to be involved.

If Governor Palin re-committed to In-State with T.C. as builder, ANGDA as benefactor, State funds to bridge the gap for gas to Fairbanks, CNG to others etc. is much better than cash distribution. I want a good economy and local jobs, not just a bigger PFD and Energy Credit. My belief is that people would see this as Government for the people not just Government for the State Budget. This could benefit if it was before the vote.

Sincerely,

Jim Kauffman

Candidate for Senate District Q (Republican)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 6:44 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV)
Subject: Re: Port Authority Has No Involvement with BBIII Ad

Thanks kris

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 18:36:58 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Mason, Janice L (GOV)<janice.mason@alaska.gov>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV)
<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Port Authority Has No Involvement with BBIII Ad

I can let them know.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jul 16 18:22:14 2008
Subject: Re: Port Authority Has No Involvement with BBIII Ad

J- Would you let Bill Walker and Bert Cottle know I appreciate this clarification. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 16:50:48 -0800
To: Sarah Palin<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV)<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
Subject: FW: Port Authority Has No Involvement with BBIII Ad

FYI:

From: Bill Walker [mailto:bill-wwa@ak.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 4:37 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); govenor@state.ak.us; Bunde, Con (LAA); Cowdery, John (LAA); Davis, Bettye J (LAA); Dyson, Fred (LAA); Ellis, Johnny (LAA); Elton, Kim S (LAA); French, Hollis (LAA); Green, Lyda N (LAA); Hoffman, Lyman F (LAA); Huggins, Charlie (LAA); Kookesh, Albert (LAA); McGuire, Lesil L (LAA); Olson, Donny (LAA); Stedman, Bert K (LAA); Stevens, Gary L (LAA); Therriault, Gene (LAA); Thomas, Joe (LAA); Wagoner, Tom (LAA); Wielechowski, Bill (LAA); Wilken, Gary R (LAA); Rep_Bob_Buch@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Mike_Chenault@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Sharon_Cissna@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_John_Coghill@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Harry_Crawford@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Nancy_Dahlstrom@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Andrea_Doll@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Mike_Doogan@legis.state.ak.us; 'Rep_'; Rep_Anna_Fairclough@legis.state.ak.us;

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Rep_Mike_Hawker@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Lindsey_Holmes@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Kyle_Johansen@legis.state.ak.us;
Rep_Craig_Johnson@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Reggie_Joule@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Scott_Kawasaki@legis.state.ak.us;
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(DOR); Heinze, Harold C (JPO); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR); Banks, Kevin R (DNR)
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To:

Governor Sarah Palin

Members of the Alaska State Legislature

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I encourage each of you to contact me personally by email or phone (278-7000 office or 223-8530 cell) if you have any questions or concerns regarding this or any other AGPA related matter.

Regards,

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Bill Walker

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Regards,

Bill Walker

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From: Ken & Connie Tarbox [tarbox@ptialaska.net]

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 3:16 PM

To: Lloyd; Denby S (DFG)

Cc: Chenault; Mike (LAA); Wagoner; Tom (LAA); Senator_Thomas_Wagoner@legis.state.ak.us; Huggins; Charlie (LAA); Seaton; Paul (LAA); Larry Edfelt; Marcotte; Jim R (DFG); Hilsinger; John R (DFG); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Stevens; Gary L (LAA); Swanton; Charles O (DFG)

Subject: Concern over potential illegal actions by ADF&G

Your prompt review of the attached letter would be appreciated. It is my concern that ADF&G continues to conduct itself in a manner that is potentially illegal under State law. I believe a full and open review of these matters by the Attorney General Office may be necessary to resolve them.

If the actions were in fact illegal then the administration in keeping with an open and transparent policy should acknowledge that fact.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 4:20 PM

To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Fw: Statements from Governor Palin and Colonel Audie Holloway

Fyi - and I've tried twice now to reach Walt, including on the 14th and again today. No answer. (Maybe he has caller ID and he is not choosing to hear from me? My question would be short and sweet: "Just want to hear it straight from you, why'd you choose to turn down ABC position to help serve rural AK?"

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 15:35:08 -0800

To: <jmoore@ktuu.com>; <mross@ktuu.com>

Subject: Statements from Governor Palin and Colonel Audie Holloway

From Governor Sarah Palin -

"It was evident that Walt's interest and abilities in the area of public safety could be better utilized if he could concentrate his efforts more closely on issues dealing with rampant alcohol problems in rural communities where there is great suffering. We recognized that there was an ideal opportunity for him to deal with bootlegging and other alcohol problems, as executive director of the Alcoholic Beverage Control, and we offered him that opportunity and that position. Unfortunately, he chose not to serve the state in this capacity. We are moving the Department of Public Safety forward under new leadership."

From Colonel Audie Holloway -

"I am supportive of the new commissioner and his intention to provide leadership and guidance to the Department of Public Safety. I have known Commissioner Kopp for several years and value the management skills he displayed during his tenure at the Kenai Police Department. The Alaska State Troopers will continue to provide the best public service possible to the citizens of Alaska - a priority of this administration."

Sharon Leighow
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From: Ken & Connie Tarbox [tarbox@ptialaska.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 4:00 PM
To: Lloyd; Denby S (DFG)
Cc: Swanton; Charles O (DFG); Stevens; Gary L (LAA); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Hilsinger; John R (DFG); Marcotte; Jim R (DFG); Larry Edfelt; Seaton; Paul (LAA); Huggins; Charlie (LAA); Senator_Thomas_Wagoner@legis.state.ak.us; Wagoner; Tom (LAA); Chenault; Mike (LAA)
Subject: Kasilof River sockeye salmon personal use and sport fishery expansion.

Dear Commissioner,

Today ADF&G announced that the bag and possession limit for Kasilof River sockeye salmon was increased to 6 fish and that the personal use fishing area was expanded.

In the justification it states ADF&G has made a projection that the goal of 250,000 sockeye salmon would be exceeded. I find it interesting to use this number since the OEG is 300,000 and the turn on for the terminal fishery is 275,000. It would appear ADF&G is playing games with the numbers to avoid the terminal fishery opening. There is no way the Department can forecast at this point in the run the difference between 250,000 and 275,000 fish.

In addition, I called the commercial fisheries staff at the Soldotna office and was informed they made no such projection. In fact, the commercial fishery has not been opened in the terminal area or the set net fishery expanded to 24 hour fishing or no windows to reduce Kasilof sockeye salmon escapement. In contrast, the commercial fishery was restricted on an extra period to one half mile.

Therefore it appears again that ADF&G is not co-ordinating actions and that the actions of the sport fish division are unfounded based on the data. A terminal commercial fishery and expanded set net fishery may in fact slow the escapement rate into the Kasilof so that the goal will not be exceeded.

Given this action in the sport fishery I would expect that the terminal commercial fishery will be opened and more liberal set net fishing time given. This of course will increase the chinook harvest in these fisheries. By regulation when ADF&G projects it will exceed the goal the terminal fishery may open and I expect it would since the commercial fishery has a priority on sockeye salmon.

I must admit that as a past fishery manager of UCI this is one of the poorest decisions I have seen. It was done without thinking about how it would impact the other fisheries and of course was done without strict scientific estimates of the final escapement numbers. There is no way to project going over the goal at this point in the absence of fishing the terminal area or more set net fishing time.

Historically, the staff of ADF&G waited until the goal was actually going to be exceeded after the majority of fishing time was completed. This is what the Board of Fisheries intended and has stated numerous times. Yet ADF&G in recent years feels it can state a failure to manage (going over the goal) without trying to manage with the existing fisheries to meet the goal. In fact, at the recent 2008 Board of Fisheries meeting the Board was displeased when ADF&G opened the terminal fishery based on a forecast a few years ago.

Again, your staff appears to be making unfounded and potential illegal decisions without regard to regulations or the consequences of those decisions.

I feel that you, as Commissioner, must make significant and real changes to the way ADF&G conducts itself. The recent performance at the legislative hearing, mistakes in emergency order authority, escapement goals being set without following existing regulations, and now inseason management without co-ordination with other divisions all speak to an organization in trouble. In fact, in UCI the staff is so polarized by the lack of leadership that it is dysfunctional at all levels.

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From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TEIRWIN]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 1:48 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Governor's Choice!

Thanks for the quick response. I will be able to share in a few days what this is about, probably when you come to Juneau. By the way Marty chose 8. She will enjoy this also. See you at Sunday's picnic.

You are doing an absolutely great job! God bless. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)
Sent: Wed Jul 16 12:57:24 2008
Subject: Re: Governor's Choice!

I just polled the room:

21, so says this office full of youth basketball players who have graced me with a visit!

-----Original Message-----

From: Tom Irwin
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 16, 2008 12:10 PM
Subject: Fw: Governor's Choice!

We are working on something fun/special. I can't tell you right now but you can trust me. Out of the numbers below would you have a favorite? Thanks. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: Howard, Kerry M (DFG)
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR)
Sent: Wed Jul 16 11:55:15 2008
Subject: Governor's Choice!

Tom: The numbers the Governor can choose from are: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 21, 23,

25, 26, or 27. Let me know the choice!- kmh

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 12:57 PM
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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 2:03 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Metlakatla

Fyi:

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From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 13:55:33 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: Metlakatla

Dear Governor Palin, We will proceed. Thankyou Talis

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 1:53 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Metlakatla

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From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 10:57:55 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Subject: Metlakatla

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 1:54 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Fw: reworked your comments just a bit
Reworked:

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 13:49:03 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: reworked your comments just a bit

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 1:47 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Draft: Re: Channel 2

We're waiting to get Audie's comment attached to this:

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 20:55:22 +0000
To: K Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Draft: Re: Channel 2
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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 11:31:49 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Channel 2

Governor -

Jason Moore would like to talk with you today about DPS. They have been asking for an interview since Sunday.

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 2:27 PM

To: gov.palin@yahoo.com

Subject: Statement

Chuck will be getting the office a statement from Audie in the next 15 minutes.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 4:51 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV)
Subject: FW: Port Authority Has No Involvement with BBIII Ad
Importance: High

FYI:

From: Bill Walker [mailto:bill-wwa@ak.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 4:37 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); govenor@state.ak.us; Bunde, Con (LAA); Cowdery, John (LAA); Davis, Bettye J (LAA); Dyson, Fred (LAA); Ellis, Johnny (LAA); Elton, Kim S (LAA); French, Hollis (LAA); Green, Lyda N (LAA); Hoffman, Lyman F (LAA); Huggins, Charlie (LAA); Kookesh, Albert (LAA); McGuire, Lesil L (LAA); Olson, Donny (LAA); Stedman, Bert K (LAA); Stevens, Gary L (LAA); Therriault, Gene (LAA); Thomas, Joe (LAA); Wagoner, Tom (LAA); Wielechowski, Bill (LAA); Wilken, Gary R (LAA); Rep_Bob_Buch@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Mike_Chenault@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Sharon_Cissna@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_John_Coghill@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Harry_Crawford@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Nancy_Dahlstrom@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Andrea_Doll@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Mike_Doogan@legis.state.ak.us; 'Rep_'; Rep_Anna_Fairclough@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Richard_Foster@legis.state.ak.us; 'Rep_'; Rep_Berta_Gardner@legis.state.ak.us; 'Rep_Carl'; Rep_Max_Gruenberg@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_David_Guttenberg@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Mike_Hawker@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Lindsey_Holmes@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Kyle_Johansen@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Craig_Johnson@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Reggie_Joule@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Scott_Kawasaki@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Wes_Keller@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Mike_Kelly@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Beth_Kerttula@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Gabrielle_LeDoux@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Bob_Lynn@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Kevin_Meyer@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Mary_Nelson@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Mark_Neuman@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Kurt_Olson@legis.state.ak.us; jayramras@hotmail.com; Rep_Jay_Ramras@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Bob_Roses@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Ralph_Samuels@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Woodie_Salmon@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Paul_Seaton@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Bill_Stoltze@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Bill_Thomas@legis.state.ak.us; Rep_Peggy_Wilson@legis.state.ak.us; Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Collins, Donna S (GOV); Itgov@state.ak.us; Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Davis, Marcia R (DOR); Heinze, Harold C (JPO); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR); Banks, Kevin R (DNR)
Subject: Port Authority Has No Involvement with BBIII Ad

July 16, 2008

To:

Governor Sarah Palin
Members of the Alaska State Legislature
Commissioner Tom Irwin
Commissioner Pat Galvin
Deputy Commissioner Marty Rutherford

As a result of misinformation that is circulating about the Alaska Gasline Port Authority's

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(AGPA) involvement with the recent Backbone III (BBIII) ad, I felt it imperative to set the record straight. Please be assured that AGPA has not been a BBIII participant and was not involved in the formation, approval or financial sponsorship of the ad. AGPA was initially listed in the left-hand column of the ad. However, AGPA Chairman Bert Cottle immediately requested that AGPA's name be removed and you will note that AGPA is not listed in the latest version of the ad. Not one dime of AGPA funding has been used for the BBIII ad.

The only ads AGPA has been responsible for are the recent ads regarding its partnering with Mitsubishi Corporation and Semptra LNG. The purpose of these ads is to announce and celebrate these significant developments which have been in the making for a long, long time. AGPA has never stopped laboring to assemble all of the parts and pieces of the LNG project. With diligence, professionalism and nose-to-the-grindstone, we will continue in that vein.

I encourage each of you to contact me personally by email or phone (278-7000 office or 223-8530 cell) if you have any questions or concerns regarding this or any other AGPA related matter.

Regards,

Bill Walker

8/26/2009

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 9:45 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Joe Balash; K Perry; M Nizich; Sharon Leighow; Russ Kelly
Subject: Re: ANWR/Congressman Ralph Hall -- CONFIDENTIAL/ATTORNEY CLIENTPRIVILEGE

Thanks for getting back to me. I'll convey the draft statement, as amended by the sentence I suggested in the second email Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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Director of State/Federal Relations
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>>> On 7/16/2008 at 1:36 PM, in message <420642854-1216229904-cardhu_decombobulator_blackberry.rim.net-743857993-@bxex184.bisx.prod.on.blackberry>, <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

I do choose to support this, if for no other reason to prove we're willing to take on the strict oversight of anwr development - the question of environmental oversight has been an issue with the naysayers. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 12:42:23 -0400
To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Joseph Balash <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Kris Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Mike Nizich <Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>; Russ Kelly <rkelly@ALASKADC.org>
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Recommendation: I don't know whether the following would be completely = acceptable to Mr. Hall, but I would recommend the statement below in = response -

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Privileged or I'll stand by for further guidance from you.

P.S.

Mr. Hall would like to introduce his bill = tomorrow but said that he could wait until next week.

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110TH CONGRESS

2D = SESSION H. R. II

To require transfer of the 1002 Area of Alaska to the = State of Alaska, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATI= VES

Mr. HALL of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred = to the Committee on |||||||||

A BILL

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3 SECTION 1. SHORT = TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "New Resources for

5 Domestic = Consumption Act of 2008".

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7 The purpose of this = Act is to provide for the expedi8 tious development of oil, natural = gas, and other resources

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2 in and to such area.

3 SEC. 3. = TRANSFER OF 1002 AREA TO STATE OF ALASKA.

4 (a) IN GENERAL.-Notwithstand= ing any other provi5

sion of law, the Secretary of the Interior shall = within 30

6 days after the date of enactment of this Act transfer = to

7 the State of Alaska all right, title, and interest of the

8 = United States in and to the 1002 Area of Alaska, subject

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9 to the = condition in subsection (b).
10 (b) CONDITION.-As a condition of any = transfer
11 under this section, the Secretary shall require the = State
12 of Alaska to pay to the United States 50 percent of all
13 = amounts received by the State of Alaska as a result of
14 development = of oil, natural gas, and other natural re15
sources of the 1002 Area of = Alaska.
16 SEC. 4. PROHIBITION ON EXPORT OF OIL.
17 No oil produced = in the 1002 Area of Alaska after the
18 date of any transfer under = section 3 may be exported from
19 the United States.
20 SEC. 5. 1002 = AREA OF ALASKA DEFINED.
21 In this Act the term "1002 Area of Alaska" = means
22 the area described in appendix I to part 37 of title 50,
23 = Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on July 14,
24 2008, = popularly known as the Coastal Plain of the Arctic
25 National Wildlife = Refuge.
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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 12:41 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Rintala, Jessalynn F (GOV)
Subject: RE: Ak_History_Facts

The Governor will not be in Fairbanks at 1:00 p.m. I think if we sent a letter and flag certificate that will be fine. Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

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To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Rintala, Jessalynn F (GOV)
Subject: FW: Ak_History_Facts

Ladies,

This is one of our Killed In Action soldiers. I did not send the "canned" message maybe the Governor wants to attend??? Janice do you want to respond to her??? We are already sent a letter and flag with cert.

Donna

-----Original Message-----

From: Web

worldwide imbalance in energy supply and demand," Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne said. "Developing the NPR-A in an environmentally sound manner will contribute to our domestic oil and natural gas supplies. Together with new production from other offshore and onshore areas, these increased supplies will help stabilize energy costs."

The lands made available for leasing under plans for NPR-A northeast and northwest could result in a much as 8.4 billion barrels of oil being developed. The lands could also provide trillions of cubic feet of natural gas for shipment to North American markets through gas pipelines currently in the planning stages.

"This decision provides for the protection of high value wildlife, including waterfowl and caribou, and meets the subsistence needs of North Slope residents while making lands with oil and gas potential available for leasing," said BLM-Alaska State Director Tom Lonnie.

The plan includes protections for the polar bear, including requirements to consider impacts on areas used by polar bears for denning. Additionally, with the listing of the polar bear the agency will continue to work closely with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on future oil and gas activities.

According to the Record of Decision, the BLM defers leasing for 10 years on land currently unavailable for leasing north and east of Teshekpuk Lake.

The Record of Decision for the Northeast NPR-A Final Supplemental Plan can be reached through a link on BLM-Alaska's home page at www.blm.gov/ak.

The BLM, an agency of the U.S. Department of the Interior, manages more land - 258 million surface acres than any other Federal agency. Most of this public land is in 12 Western states, including 80.8 million surface acres in Alaska. The Bureau also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on the public lands.

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 9:06 AM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Joseph Balash; Kris Perry; Mike Nizich; Russ Kelly
Subject: Congressman Hall/Chapter 2 – CONFIDENTIAL/ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Sorry to bother you again. After sending my previous email, I received the communication pasted below from Congressman Hall's energy staff person.

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If you do decide to submit a statement, we could add a sentence at the end of the previous draft along the lines of -

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Hi, John - I spoke to Mr. Hall and he said he'd like to speak to the Governor if she had time in her schedule, but understands if she's busy. Either way, he would appreciate a letter of support for the bill and a statement that he could issue to the press along the lines of how quickly development would start once the land was transferred.

Thanks!

Elizabeth

Elizabeth Stack

Senior Policy Advisor

Rep. Ralph M. Hall (TX-04)

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Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 8:42 AM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Joseph Balash; Kris Perry; Mike Nizich; Russ Kelly
Subject: ANWR/Congressman Ralph Hall – CONFIDENTIAL/ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE

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3 SEC. 3. TRANSFER OF 1002 AREA TO STATE OF ALASKA.

4 (a) IN GENERAL.-Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior shall within 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act transfer to the State of Alaska all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the 1002 Area of Alaska, subject to the condition in subsection (b).

10 (b) CONDITION.-As a condition of any transfer under this section, the Secretary shall require the State of Alaska to pay to the United States 50 percent of all amounts received by the State of Alaska as a result of development of oil, natural gas, and other natural resources of the 1002 Area of Alaska.

16 SEC. 4. PROHIBITION ON EXPORT OF OIL.

17 No oil produced in the 1002 Area of Alaska after the date of any transfer under section 3 may be exported from the United States.

20 SEC. 5. 1002 AREA OF ALASKA DEFINED.

21 In this Act the term "1002 Area of Alaska" means the area described in appendix I to part 37 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on July 14, 2008, popularly known as the Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 11:32 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Channel 2

Governor -

Jason Moore would like to talk with you today about DPS. They have been asking for an interview since Sunday.

Sharon Leighow
Deputy Press Secretary
Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage
(907) 465-4031 Juneau
(907) 240-7943 cell

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 5:46 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR)
Subject: FW: letter

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Please find letter dated July 17, 2008 that was just received via email from Mayor Whitaker in response to the letter he received from the Attorney General. The signed letter is attached.

Dear Attorney General Colberg:

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If the State were truly committed to maximizing gas royalties, it would advocate for a market price for CI gas. There's no doubt that a higher return on CI gas would directly stimulate more private investment, exploration and production in Cook Inlet than artificial price suppression combined with leveraged agreements with the producers.

You note that Fairbanks may be a beneficiary of below-market CI gas. Whether or not

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Nevertheless, as long as there is positive movement toward a more equal distribution of the state's energy resources, we remain committed to working with the Administration and legislators on remedying the disparate impact that Alaska's energy crisis has on the Interior.

Sincerely, Jim Whitaker, Mayor

Cc: Governor Sarah Palin

Commissioner Tom Irwin

Commissioner Patrick Galvin

State of Alaska Legislators



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July 17, 2008

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P. O. Box 110300
Juneau, AK 99811-0300

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Jim Whitaker, Mayor

JW:csm

cc: Governor Sarah Palin
Commissioner Tom Irwin
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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 3:35 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: FW: Exxon Valdez litigation

Dear Governor Palin,

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 3:27 PM
To: Gara, Les (LAA)
Subject: FW: Exxon Valdez litigation

Dear Rep. Gara,

As you can see below, my staff has investigated this with plaintiffs, and while we are in constant contact with them and assisting them, (including again this afternoon) we do not believe an amicus is a useful option at this point. Thankyou for your inquiry. Talis Colberg

From: Tillery, Craig J (LAW)
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 3:19 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Cc: Grace, Joanne M (LAW)
Subject: Exxon Valdez litigation

You asked whether the State of Alaska could and should file an amicus brief in response to the recent submission by private plaintiffs in the Exxon Valdez litigation, to the U.S. Supreme Court, relating to Rule 42.1 and interest on the judgment. First, there is no procedure that allows for such a submission, however, it is certainly possible to file a motion with the Court asking that leave be granted to file an amicus and possible that such a motion might be granted. More importantly, however, this is not something that we would recommend. We have been in contact with counsel for the private plaintiffs since the verdict was issued regarding this and other potential post verdict concerns. It is their view, concurred in by our own Supreme Court counsel, that formal state participation at this point would not be appropriate. We have taken, and will continue to take, other steps to facilitate counsel's efforts to have their clients paid timely and in full. In sum, Alaska could file a motion for leave to file an amicus on this matter, but it should not.

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Please note that my email address has changed to craig.tillery@alaska.gov

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 2:13 PM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: RE: Gasline

Governor - You will take the Caravan from ANC to Fairbanks at approx. 4:00 p.m. (after ANC picnic) on Saturday, July 19 so that you can attend dinner w/Congressman Boenher and staff. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. - Pikes Landing. What staff would you like to accompany you in Caravan and at the Dinner -

On Sunday, July 20 - The Fairbanks Picnic is from 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Flight from Fairbanks to Juneau - 5:00 pm - 8:32 p.m. All Flights Change planes in Anchorage.

Or take Caravan from Fairbanks to ANC on Sunday, July 20 after picnic and take Monday, July 21 flight to JNU - Depart ANC - 8:00 a.m. Arrive JNU - 9:47 a.m.

Please let me know what flights you would prefer. We have not discussed return flights but the consensus is that you would stay in JNU through Wed., July 23 and then if you want to return to ANC for the weekend we would have you return to JNU on either Sunday, July 27 or Monday, July 28 as the Senate will be voting on Monday, July 28.

Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 10:18 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Gasline

J- pls get me to Juneau for monday's leggies' actions

----- Original Message -----

From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Wed Jul 16 08:49:32 2008

Subject: RE: Gasline

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Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 8:40 AM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Gasline

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 9:45 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Joe Balash; K Perry; M Nizich; Sharon Leighow; Russ Kelly
Subject: Re: ANWR/Congressman Ralph Hall – CONFIDENTIAL/ATTORNEY CLIENTPRIVILEGE

Thanks for getting back to me. I'll convey the draft statement, as amended by the sentence I suggested in the second email Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

John W. Katz
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>>> On 7/16/2008 at 1:36 PM, in message <420642854-1216229904-cardhu_decombobulator_blackberry.rim.net-743857993-@bxex184.bisx.prod.on.blackberry>, <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

I do choose to support this, if for no other reason to prove we're willing to take on the strict oversight of anwr development - the question of environmental oversight has been an issue with the naysayers. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2008 12:42:23 -0400
To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
CC: Joseph Balash <joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Kris Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Mike Nizich <Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>; Russ Kelly <rkelly@ALASKADC.org>
Subject: ANWR/Congressman Ralph Hall – CONFIDENTIAL/ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Congressman Ralph Hall (Republican, Texas) = called this morning to seek your support for draft legislation (pasted = below) that would convey the Coastal Plain of ANWR to the State of Alaska = in order to facilitate oil and gas development there. The Congressman is working closely with Congressman Young = on the bill and says that he has discussed it personally with President = Bush, who would sign the legislation if it gets to his desk. =

I was non-committal pending this communication to you. There is no question that the Palin administration = supports responsible oil and gas development in the Coastal Plain.&nbs= p; Privileged or P
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The legislation would also require a 50/50 = revenue share between the State and federal governments and would impose a = prohibition on oil exports. With the exception of a = few Alaskans, most people believe that these requirements are = inevitable in any ANWR bill that has a chance of passing.

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Recommendation: I don't know whether the following would be completely = acceptable to Mr. Hall, but I would recommend the statement below in = response -

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Privileged or I'll stand by for further guidance from you.

P.S.

Mr. Hall would like to introduce his bill = tomorrow but said that he could wait until next week.

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110TH CONGRESS

2D = SESSION H. R. II

To require transfer of the 1002 Area of Alaska to the = State of Alaska, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATI= VES

Mr. HALL of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred = to the Committee on !!!!!!!!!!!!!

A BILL

To require transfer of = the 1002 Area of Alaska to the State of Alaska, and for other purposes.<= BR>1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa2 tives of the = United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT = TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "New Resources for

5 Domestic = Consumption Act of 2008".

6 SEC. 2. PURPOSE.

7 The purpose of this = Act is to provide for the expedi8 tious development of oil, natural = gas, and other resources

9 of the 1002 Area of Alaska by transferring = to the State

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 12:41 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Rintala, Jessalynn F (GOV)
Subject: RE: Ak_History_Facts

The Governor will not be in Fairbanks at 1:00 p.m. I think if we sent a letter and flag certificate that will be fine. Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 11:34 AM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Rintala, Jessalynn F (GOV)
Subject: FW: Ak_History_Facts

Ladies,

This is one of our Killed In Action soldiers. I did not send the "canned" message maybe the Governor wants to attend??? Janice do you want to respond to her??? We are already sent a letter and flag with cert.

Donna

-----Original Message-----

From: Web

worldwide imbalance in energy supply and demand," Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne said. "Developing the NPR-A in an environmentally sound manner will contribute to our domestic oil and natural gas supplies. Together with new production from other offshore and onshore areas, these increased supplies will help stabilize energy costs."

The lands made available for leasing under plans for NPR-A northeast and northwest could result in as much as 8.4 billion barrels of oil being developed. The lands could also provide trillions of cubic feet of natural gas for shipment to North American markets through gas pipelines currently in the planning stages.

"This decision provides for the protection of high value wildlife, including waterfowl and caribou, and meets the subsistence needs of North Slope residents while making lands with oil and gas potential available for leasing," said BLM-Alaska State Director Tom Lonnie.

The plan includes protections for the polar bear, including requirements to consider impacts on areas used by polar bears for denning. Additionally, with the listing of the polar bear the agency will continue to work closely with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on future oil and gas activities.

According to the Record of Decision, the BLM defers leasing for 10 years on land currently unavailable for leasing north and east of Teshekpuk Lake.

The Record of Decision for the Northeast NPR-A Final Supplemental Plan can be reached through a link on BLM-Alaska's home page at www.blm.gov/ak.

The BLM, an agency of the U.S. Department of the Interior, manages more land - 258 million surface acres than any other Federal agency. Most of this public land is in 12 Western states, including 80.8 million surface acres in Alaska. The Bureau also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on the public lands.

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]

Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 4:55 PM

To: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: Meeting tomorrow

Unless you object, I will schedule a meeting w/Vince Belltrami for you and I for tomorrow. Late morning or early afternoon – by 1pm at latest for 30 minutes.

*Kris Perry, Director
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 11:29 AM
To: Wilken; Jessica M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Oil&Gas

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 10:51 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Oil&Gas

Web mail from: Mr. Scott Ose

address: 8770 Falcon Trace Drive North Jacksonville FL 32222

904-305-5675

MESSAGE:

I just wanted to say thanks for what you do and what you stand for!! The United States needs more officials like you Sarah!! Keep pushing the drilling!!!

Although I am not from Alaska (I'm from Vt.) I have been there several times and have a brother that lives there and is a guide.

Thanks!<= /SPAN>

Elizabeth

Elizabeth Stack

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 10:18 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV)
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Subject: Re: Gasline

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----- Original Message -----

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To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Wed Jul 16 08:49:32 2008
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Subject: Gasline

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 9:43 AM
To: 'akmuskrat@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Budget

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 8:21 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Ms. Jackie Musgrave
address: 1508 G St. Anchorage AK 99501

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I have some questions regarding state grants from the capital budget. I would appreciate hearing from someone who can tell me the answers. Specifically, I am inquiring about state money allocated to Anchorage Public Library (APL) in the current budget (and yes, I did write urging you to veto their request!).

Does APL already have state money in the bank (the millions they were granted) or do they submit bills for repayment?

Does the state track grant expenditures? Is a receiving organization required to supply accounting information or is it just counted as free money, no strings attached?

Do grant requests need to contain detailed information on particular projects for which the money is needed, or is a vague wish list acceptable?

I understand that with the state grant and other local money gifts, APL has \$7 million toward a "renovation" of Loussac Library. They anticipate needing \$11 million. But the interesting part is, they are only now asking staff for input on how to use the money! They will be getting citizen input before long, and then will start spending on architectural designs and specific changes to the building, once the administrative team has chosen the actual projects.

I find it beyond bizarre that APL would ask for money when they did not have a "needs" plan in place. Apparently they didn't have anything but an old architect's drawing of changes to the main floor, and they now want to go beyond that. At the same time, the Mountain View Branch project is already a million over budget and nothing has been done yet to that building. I think some of the state funding was to go toward that.

With the economy diving downward, I am appalled that Anchorage Public Library would ask for millions before they know what they're going to do with it. I really would like to be enlightened on the grant process, so I hope there is someone who can explain it to me.

Thank you. Sincerely, Jackie Musgrave

akmskrat@yahoo.com

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 9:06 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Gasline

We will have the team together at 9:30 Tom will come down to the 17th floor conf room. Pat will be on the phone, Joe, Kelly and I will be on video conf in Juneau.

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 8:50 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Gasline

Asap

----- Original Message -----

From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Mason, Janice L (GOV)
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Subject: Gasline

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 8:53 AM
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: Gasline

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-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 8:50 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Gasline

Asap

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You're up early! Thanks for doing good work there Erin!

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Alaska scores a coup with alpine skiing nationals

State will also host US cross-country championships in '09

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Alaska pulled off a rare championship double this week when the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association confirmed that Alyeska Resort will host the U.S. Alpine Nationals March 24-31.

Last month, it was announced that the next two cross-country skiing national championships will be at Kincaid Park, with the 2009 competition being Jan. 3-8.

"It's very, very unusual for one state to host both Alpine and cross-country nationals -- or, for that matter, any two nationals," said Calum Clark, the event director at USSA.

Alyeska hosted the 2007 and 2004 alpine nationals. In 2003, the nationals were moved from Alyeska to Lake Placid because of poor snow conditions.

Anchorage has hosted both the alpine nationals and snowshoe nationals in the same year but never both ski nationals.

Nance Larsen, the vice president of communications and marketing for the Alaska Convention & Visitors Bureau, said the timing should give Anchorage a nice bump of visitors heading into the spring season. Some, she speculated, might choose to arrive early and see portions of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, which begins on March 7,

"It's fantastic," said Shelly Wozniak, public relations manager of the ACVB. "It's really a culmination of a targeted marketing effort to portray Anchorage as a winter city.

"We are one of the top winter cities in the world and people are starting to recognize that."

Wozniak estimated that both events, which will bring hundreds of out-of-state skiers, could inject nearly \$2 million into the local economy.

"It's a great situation with Alyeska," Clark said. "It's a great destination."

Such American stars as Bode Miller of Bretton Woods, N.H., gold medalists Ted Ligety of Park City, Utah and Julia Mancuso of Olympic Valley, Calif., are expected on the slopes. So are Scott Macartney of Crystal Mountain, Wash., and Marco Sullivan, both of whom have competed in the spring Arctic Man Ski & Snowgo Classic. Lindsey Vonn of Vail, Colo., and Steven Nyman of Provo, Utah are two other Olympic skiers likely to compete.

A selling point for Alyeska is its downhill course. Because of Alaska's high latitude, there is typically enough snow in spring for a lengthy downhill course that runs to the bottom of the mountain.

At the 2007 nationals at Alyeska, Girdwood's John Love used his home-course advantage to finish 15th in the national championship, beating some U.S. Ski Team members.

"It was just realizing those other guys are just like me," Love said at the time. "They're just out there to ski. We're all doing the same thing."

Another plus is the daylight. By late March, sunset isn't until about 8:30 p.m.

"It's really good, a perfect time of year," Larsen said.

"We've done it so many times now that we have one of the best race crews in the country to support an event of this size," said Russell Sell, a board member of the Alyeska Ski and Snowboard Club. "There's something about our volunteers. We say, 'Let's ramp it up' and they just kind of gather it up."

Sparky Anderson, assistant alpine coach at UAA, said that hosting such a big event is a big asset to the UAA program.

"I'd expect all my kids to compete," said Anderson, who spent seven years as program director for the Alyeska Ski Club in Girdwood before joining UAA. "It's an incredible recruiting tool.

"They're competing against the top skiers in the world. That's a really neat opportunity to measure themselves."

Exxon maintains it doesn't owe interest

\$488 MILLION: Company files brief opposing plaintiffs' request.

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JUNEAU -- Exxon Mobil Corp. is fighting to avoid paying interest on the \$507.5 million judgment the U.S. Supreme Court ordered it to pay for the Exxon Valdez oil spill.

Lawyers for the Texas-based energy giant on Tuesday submitted a nine-page brief to the high court opposing the application of interest, which could bring the total punitive damages Exxon owes for the 1989 spill to nearly \$1 billion.

Exxon argues "there is no good reason" for the court to add interest.

"Exxon does not agree that there is any sound basis to award plaintiffs what they seek -- approximately \$488 million over and above the \$507.5 million that this Court determined was the legally proper amount to punish and deter," according to Exxon's filing.

Lawyers for commercial fishermen and other plaintiffs last week asked the Supreme Court to clarify whether interest would apply. The question came up after the court decided the long-running case on June 25, cutting the amount of damages from \$2.5 billion to \$507.5 million without mentioning interest.

Alaska lawyers representing the fishermen and other plaintiffs either didn't return calls Tuesday or declined to comment.

One Cordova commercial salmon fisherman, RJ Kopchak, said he wasn't surprised at Exxon's move.

"Everybody should be just livid about this kind of thing," he said. "We're all exhausted at this point. The big guy in the corner just keeps kicking our asses."

Exxon spokesman Tony Cudmore said Exxon believes interest should be applied only from the day the Supreme Court ruled, and not for prior years.

Cudmore added the company isn't trying to drag out a nearly 20-year case even longer.

"Again, like everyone involved in the tragic Valdez accident, we're anxious to have the matter resolved. We know this has been a very difficult time for all involved," Cudmore wrote in an e-mail.

With interest, and minus attorney fees, an estimated \$628 million would be divided among the more than 32,000 plaintiffs in the civil case.

Just when the Supreme Court justices might rule on the interest question is unclear.

The court recessed at the end of June, having remanded the case to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco to carry out the punitive damages award. According to the high court's Web site, during the summer the justices continue to analyze new petitions, consider motions and prepare for cases scheduled for fall argument.

In its brief, Exxon's lawyers say that under court rules, if an appellate court "fails to provide directions" on payment of interest on a judgment, then no interest is allowable.

The company's lawyers add that Exxon shouldn't be forced to pay interest as a way to further deter future spills, or because the case dragged on.

They say the blame for the case lasting so long is on fishermen and other plaintiffs who kept urging a U.S. District Court judge in Anchorage to "disregard the plain command" of the appeals court that a jury's original \$5 billion award in 1994 had to be reduced.

"There is ... no reason to penalize Exxon by awarding another \$488 million in damages when the substantial delay here was not in any sense Exxon's fault," the company's brief says.

Also Tuesday, the head of an industry watchdog group formed after the Exxon Valdez oil tanker hit a charted reef and spilled 11 million gallons of crude asked Gov. Sarah Palin to encourage Congress to censure "the five activist justices who recklessly issued" the "pro-business" decision on June 25.

"Without the possibility of significant punitive damage awards, the task of keeping oil tanker traffic in Prince William Sound environmentally safe will become much more

difficult for organizations such as ours," said John Devens, head of the Prince William Sound Regional Citizens' Advisory Council, in a letter to Palin.

After long debate, Assembly votes to keep I/M testing

TURNAROUND: Program was scheduled to expire at end of 2009.

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The Anchorage Assembly gave new life Tuesday night to a vehicle emissions inspection program that had been slated to die at the end of next year.

The decision reverses an 8-month-old vote by an Assembly of a different political stripe.

The action to continue the program, which came on a 6-4 vote late in Tuesday night's meeting, means that most vehicles in Anchorage will continue to undergo an I/M (inspection and maintenance) check every two years. The Assembly approved exceptions for new cars and for old ones.

"The real issue before this community is that we are in a category of city that has some of the worst air in this country," said Assemblywoman Sheila Selkregg, who voted to extend the program. "Even though we meet (federal) standards, we have a serious air issue."

But Assemblyman Chris Birch said the panel should stick with the earlier decision.

"The program has effectively run its course," he said. "We need to focus on issues in this community that are of a larger concern."

Joining Selkregg in voting for the program were Assembly members Matt Claman, Patrick Flynn, Elvi Gray-Jackson, Mike Gutierrez and Harriett Drummond. Birch, Debbie Ossiander, Bill Starr and Jennifer Johnston voted no. Assemblyman Dan Coffey did not participate because of a conflict.

A steady stream of people airing their views pushed a decision late into the night.

Foes and fans of the program were about equally represented.

"The issue is if we do away with I/M testing, the air will get worse," said Dr. George Stewart, a retired physician who specialized in lung diseases.

"We worked hard in getting this program implemented, and we don't want to see it go away," he said.

Other doctors, several parents of asthmatic children, and representatives of groups such as the American Lung Association of Alaska also testified in favor of the program.

But opponents of the program noted that Anchorage air, for years, has complied with federal standards.

"You've already voted to kill the program," said Rick Braun. "Reinstituting it is nothing but a tax increase. ... Stop it. Put a stake in it. Kill it."

The measure approved exempts new vehicles for the first six years. It also exempts 1967 model years or older.

Selkregg withdrew a proposal that would have required noise and safety checks.

The tests have been in place in Anchorage since the mid-1980s. The program was enacted to get control of escalating pollution and to bring the city into compliance with federal air standards, which were often violated before then.

The program requires that vehicle owners pay a fee of about \$60 to have their vehicles' emissions checked every other year for problems. A study done for the city reported that drivers spend about \$8.7 million a year on the tests and related repairs to bring vehicles into compliance.

Anchorage carbon monoxide readings declined significantly after the birth of the program, which cheered I/M program supporters and stirred opponents to undertake efforts to kill it.

A task force put together by Mayor Mark Begich in June 2007 looked at the program to determine if it should be kept. In the end, that panel urged some minor changes -- such as a longer exemption period for new vehicles -- but urged that the city keep the program.

In November, the Assembly voted 8-2 to kill the program as of the end of 2009. Only Claman and Selkregg then voting to keep it alive.

The balance of power changed dramatically in the April municipal elections, with control of the panel swinging to a group further to the left.

The proposals giving new life to the I/M program arose from that majority.

Glacier history lesson

Clues to past climates and hints of future are hidden in the ice

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For the first time in decades, federal officials allowed drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge this summer.

It wasn't for oil, though.

The drillers were targeting ice buried deep in a glacier high in the Brooks Range.

Their goal is to learn about the region's past climate and search for clues about the region's future.

One pressing question: If the few Brooks Range glaciers dry up -- and it seems likely that they will if the current warming trend persists -- what will happen to the coastal plain rivers they feed?

Despite all the recent interest in climate change in the Arctic, there's little data on historical climate change in this swath of the Arctic.

"We're barely measuring what's happening now," said Matt Nolan, a glaciologist at the University of Alaska Fairbanks who led the ice core drilling project this summer.

In other places where there's no written record, scientists can drill into trees to study their rings. But there are few trees in that part of the Brooks Range.

Scientists can also analyze sediment layers drilled from lakes, but there aren't that many lakes there either.

One thing the region does have is a scattering of small glaciers. Ice cores drilled out of

glaciers are one of the most valuable tools used by climate researchers around the world today to study temperature changes over hundreds and even thousands of years, Nolan said.

On the Greenland ice sheet, for example, scientists have used ice core samples to probe annual temperature fluctuations as long ago as 100,000 years, he said.

To Nolan, drilling the McCall Glacier -- in the heart of the Arctic wilderness -- seemed like a good research project.

And time is slowly running out. Like other arctic glaciers in Alaska, the 4.3-mile-long McCall is losing about 3 feet of length per year. Physical evidence shows that the glacier was probably about 5 miles long in the 1800s. It may disappear in about 100 years, Nolan said.

When the Brooks Range glaciers are gone, scientists may lose their best tool for looking deep into the past.

WILDERNESS DRILLING

Since the late 1950s, scientists have been traveling to the remote glacier -- 8,000 feet in elevation at its highest point and about 60 miles south of Kaktovik -- to learn about the dynamics of the region's glacial ice and its climate. Nolan has been leading research projects on the glacier for the past six years.

In March, ANWR refuge managers granted Nolan and his research team permission to drill into the glacier for ice cores.

That's unusual for several reasons.

The glacier is part of the Arctic refuge's wilderness zone. It is almost impossible to get permission to use a mechanical tool in a federally designated wilderness. And to make things more concerning, these guys were packing fuel-powered drill rigs.

Ordinarily, that sort of work would be prohibited, said Jimmy Fox, the refuge's deputy manager, based in Fairbanks.

But Fox said the refuge staff has discretion to allow such projects. One thing they consider is whether the work can be done outside the wilderness. Another factor: Can the tools be minimized?

In this case, the only place in the refuge where it made sense to do this research was the McCall Glacier, where related work has been occurring for more than 50 years. And drilling rigs were necessary -- massive ice cores can't be extracted with a hand auger, he said.

PRECEDENT?

The project is also unusual because until now there haven't been many ice cores drilled out of Arctic glaciers in Alaska.

The work was challenging, Nolan said, noting that at one point, the drill hit an aquifer in the ice, filling the drill hole with water.

The team was constantly worried about losing the drill to the moving glacier, he added.

The research team pulled a 500-foot-long ice core from the glacier a few weeks ago. That's the longest ice core ever pulled out of the U.S. Arctic, Nolan said.

He said he hopes the core will provide a climatic record that goes back at least 200 years, when the Little Ice Age was cooling the northern hemisphere and arctic glaciers were still growing.

"I'd like to know how much cooler it was, and whether it was wetter or drier," Nolan said.

The ice cores were flown off the glacier in a Beaver ski plane and for now, they are being housed at the Alaska Ice Art Museum in Fairbanks.

The core samples will be analyzed by ice core researchers in Ohio and Belgium. Nolan said he hopes to have some findings by next March.

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What's in the ice?

How do scientists use ice cores to reconstruct climate history?

- They analyze the relative concentration of hydrogen and oxygen isotopes.
- They study materials trapped in the ice, such as insects, volcanic ash and radioactive fallout from nuclear tests.

Young spends half of his contributions on lawyers

CAMPAIGN: Parnell and Berkowitz raise twice as much as congressman.

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WASHINGTON -- U.S. Rep. Don Young spent about as much campaign money on lawyers helping him fend off a federal corruption probe as he raised for his re-election bid over the past three months, campaign finance filings show.

Young, Alaska's Republican congressman since 1973, spent \$48,521 on his own defense attorney this quarter, plus paid \$55,000 to a Seattle lawyer who is defending one of his campaign aides. That brings the total amount Young's campaign has spent on lawyers since the probe began in early 2007 to just over \$1.2 million.

Meanwhile, Young raised \$106,616 in campaign money over the past three months. Two of those seeking his seat, Republican Lt. Gov. Sean Parnell and Democrat Ethan Berkowitz, brought in more than twice that much. Berkowitz reports he now has a total of nearly \$400,000 in campaign cash, almost as much as Young -- who in past elections had an account of over a million dollars.

The legal expenses continue to chip away at what remains of Young's campaign fund.

"Of course we're concerned, but we still have our nose to the grindstone and we're focusing on the campaign," said Young's campaign spokesman, Mike Anderson, who also serves as his chief of staff. "One thing Mr. Young knows how to do is how to campaign."

Anderson said he expects that next quarter, some of the legal expenses charged to the campaign account will shift to the legal expense fund Young set up this winter to help defray his legal costs. U.S. House rules prohibit Anderson from being actively involved in that fund, but he said Tuesday that he has been told that it is raising enough money to pick up the tab for some of Young's legal fees.

A report filed late Tuesday with the Federal Election Commission shows that Young continues to employ John Dowd of the Washington D.C. law firm Akin Gump. Dowd has been

looking at documents in Young's office to determine what is privileged congressional information that they believe Young can withhold and what must be turned over to executive branch investigators.

Young continues to refuse to say exactly what his legal fees have been paying for, but the congressman is connected to several federal investigations. They include a wide-ranging federal probe into corruption in Alaska politics, which has focused on the fundraising practices of the former oil-services company Veco Corp.

Young's campaign also spent about \$55,000 this quarter and \$35,000 previously with John Wolfe, a Seattle lawyer who represents Steve Dougherty, one of the congressman's longtime campaign aides. Separately, the campaign paid the Washington D.C. law firm Tobin, O'Connor, Ewing and Richard \$25,167 this quarter to review its campaign filings.

Young's \$106,616 in reported campaign contributions the past three months came from a number of sources including Alaskans, congressional lobbyists and oil company BP.

Young faces two opponents in the August Republican primary. One of them, Parnell, raised \$266,000 in the same period, his first full quarter as a candidate.

Much of Parnell's campaign money came through the national anti-earmark group, the Club for Growth. The group said it is also launching anti-Young television ads in Alaska. The other Republican running, Gabrielle LeDoux, brought in just over \$200,000 in the last three months; \$157,500 of that was her own money.

Among the two candidates competing in the Democratic primary for the U.S. House seat, Berkowitz has raised far more campaign money than Diane Benson.

Benson reported raising \$52,606 in the past three months, with donations from Alaskans as well as the Tohono O'odham Nation and the Hualapi Tribe, both of Arizona.

Berkowitz -- who brought in over four times as much in the same period -- reported money from Alaska donors in addition to national money from sources such as unions, Planned Parenthood and congressional Democrats.

Begich, Stevens rake in millions

CAMPAIGN: Mayor raises money quickly; senator still has more.

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Anchorage Mayor Mark Begich hauled in more than a million dollars in just the past three months for his campaign to win the seat of longtime Alaska Sen. Ted. Stevens.

"We're very excited," said Begich spokeswoman Julie Hasquet. "We have a huge war chest we're up against. We're just going to have to keep plugging away."

Begich has shown he can raise money fast since entering the race at the end of April. But the Republican Stevens also continues to raise campaign money at a good clip, according to the new federal campaign finance reports out Tuesday. Stevens reported raising \$745,000 over the past three months. That left him, after expenses, with a remaining campaign treasury account of \$1.68 million.

Stevens has around double the cash on hand that Begich reported after campaign expenses.

Stevens said in a written statement that "we have continued to have strong support from hundreds of Alaskan donors."

David Cuddy, who is running against Stevens in the Republican primary for the Senate, said he's raised just around \$10,000 in the past three months. Cuddy has spent about \$130,000 on his campaign so far -- mostly out of his own pocket.

"It's very hard running against a 40-year incumbent and with the economy the way it is," Cuddy said.

Cuddy said he doesn't get the "lobbyist and special interest" money that Stevens does. Cuddy challenged Stevens in 1996 for the Republican nomination and spent roughly \$1 million, most of that from his own bank account. Cuddy said he's not prepared to spend as much of his money this time and will lose the primary unless he can get people excited about his views of a federal budget that's not loaded with "pork" projects.

Ray Metcalfe, who is running against Begich in the Democratic primary, said he's raised "not much for money." Metcalfe said he's been more focused on proving his allegations that Begich has improper financial relationships with Anchorage developers. Begich says Metcalfe's claims are baseless.

The details of Begich's and Stevens' campaign contribution and spending reports were released Tuesday and combine thousands of pages. They'll be closely analyzed over the coming days but an immediate scan through Stevens' report shows Alaska donors as well as money from Citigroup, the American Cable Association, the United States Telecom Association, Southwest Air, Clear Channel Communications and lobbying firms.

Begich's report, available on his campaign Web site, also shows Alaska donors as well as money from several unions, the abortion-rights group NARAL, the American Association for Justice lawyers group and political action committees of Senate Democrats. Begich also picked up a lot of small donations via the Internet through the ActBlue Democratic

political action committee.

Safety department appointee denies account of sexual harassment

ACCUSATION: State's new public safety boss claims no "skeletons."

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The new state Department of Public Safety Commissioner Chuck Kopp on Tuesday denied a history of sexual harassment while he was police chief in Kenai.

Stories of inappropriate conduct by Kopp toward a former employee surfaced after Gov. Sarah Palin abruptly replaced commissioner Walt Monegan with Kopp on Friday.

Asked at a press conference to get his side of the sexual harassment allegations, Kopp responded: "There has never been a sexual harassment allegation that resulted in a lawsuit or a settlement by the city of Kenai."

Asked how many complaints have been filed against him, he said: "I do not have a history of complaints. Obviously, there has been a source that has talked about an incident, and anything that would be a personnel matter with another individual I would not be able to comment on. But, again, I just want to encourage you guys, there is absolutely nothing in my record that I'm ashamed of. There's no skeletons in my closet."

Asked again how many complaints have there been, Kopp said: "There's only one that I've ever been, ah, that has ever happened. Period. And I don't want to comment on that."

Palin knew of the accusation before she picked Kopp, her spokeswoman Sharon Leighow said. She looked into it and found it to be unsubstantiated, Leighow said. The governor still supports Kopp, she said.

On Sunday, a Kenai Peninsula woman e-mailed Palin that Kopp is "a dishonest, manipulative bully" who once sexually harassed her.

The woman, whom the Daily News has agreed not to name, said Tuesday she worked for Kopp in 2005 as his assistant. Kopp repeatedly asked her for hugs and a once kissed her cheek, she said. When she objected to his behavior, he reprimanded her, she said.

She reported the incidents to another supervisor, who took it to the city council, she

said. It was also reported to the Alaska Police Standards Council.

Her claims were substantiated, she said, and she was given a different boss.

A city councilman at that time, Joe Moore, said any personnel matters are confidential.

The police standards council said it would not reveal information about investigations into unethical behavior unless it resulted in the officer having his badge taken away.

Palmer building permits dip to 10-year low

MONEY: City takes in \$22,583 compared with \$63,821 for the same time period last year.

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PALMER -- While many property owners' renovations are giving downtown Palmer a face-lift, that may be a bit deceiving regarding construction overall.

At the City Council's meeting July 8, Sandra Garley, director of community development, gave the mayor, city manager and the council some grim news: The number of building permits issued so far this year is at a 10-year low.

Through June, only 50 permits had been issued to builders. That compares to a high of 80 for the same period in 2003.

Beyond being bad for builders, the slowdown has hurt the city's pocketbook.

The city charges for those permits, and the first half of this fiscal year has brought in \$22,583 compared to the same time frame last year totalling \$63,821.

And even though there weren't many permits granted in 1999, the value of the property being built was \$14.5 million compared to this year's \$2 million.

"It's a reflection of the economy at the state and federal level," Garley said Friday. "We've had few housing starts, and that's part of that low number. Palmer's always had peaks and valleys."

The story's similar in Wasilla.

"We're experiencing the same thing," city planner Jim Holycross, said Monday. "In June we had six permits, and this month we have two. Of course the month isn't over."

He said the Primrose Retirement Community has been a bright spot with its four duplexes, 32 assisted living units and 36 single-family homes. He said multiple-family units like duplexes are helping out, as well as additions to established businesses such as Fred Meyer and the Alaska Club.

Wasilla also has attracted some big-box-type stores, Sportsman's Warehouse among them.

That's where Garley thinks Palmer is hurting, in addition to the home construction slump.

"We're not getting the big stores," she said. "They're waiting for the economy to turn around."

Garley said bigger businesses are showing an interest in locating in the hub of government in the Valley but not this year. She said advance people have been stopping in to get information about building codes and other compliance data, but they're telling her they're waiting for better financial conditions.

With building in slow mode, those who supply lumber, paint, wiring and all the other stuff, are feeling it as well.

"It's less than before, but everybody's not doing as much business as last year," said Jason Crist, assistant manager at Spenard Builders Supply in Palmer.

"We had two or three good years there."

As for this cycle, "We'll have to wait 'til the end of the year to know for sure" how business turns out.

Mat-Su, Anchorage still at odds over ferry landing

TYONEK: Cook Inlet village plans to sign up for service and build community dock.

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WASILLA -- Construction of a catamaran-style ferry to transport passengers from Anchorage to Port MacKenzie is expected to be complete in fall 2009, but the Matanuska-Susitna Borough is still waiting for Anchorage to agree on a landing spot on its side of the inlet.

Meanwhile, neighboring Cook Inlet community Tyonek plans to sign on as a ferry customer.

The ferry is a one-of-a-kind ship being built by the federal Office of Naval Research.

That office is paying for construction, estimated at \$50 million, because it's interested in features such as the ferry's movable deck that can be raised or lowered to allow beach landings in wartime.

The vessel is also an icebreaker that should be able to plow through Cook Inlet ice floes year around.

According to Tyonek's development consultant John McClellan, the village's tribal and community leaders are reviewing a memorandum of agreement with the Mat-Su Borough saying it will support the project and seek funding for a Tyonek landing dock.

Tyonek, a community of about 181 people 45 miles west of Anchorage, would be a two-hour ferry trip from Anchorage.

"It's only accessible now by air. For a family to go shopping in the urban center they can literally see from town, it just doesn't happen. It's very difficult to organize that," McClellan said.

Borough manager John Duffy said Tyonek's involvement is a sign of support for ferry service in Cook Inlet.

"That further supports what we've been saying for many years, that the ferry system will create a lot of new economic opportunities. That's something Anchorage should keep in mind, that a lot of these economic opportunities will benefit them," Duffy said.

If Duffy's comment sounds critical of Anchorage, it's meant to. Mat-Su and Anchorage officials have been deadlocked over where the Mat-Su ferry should land for several years. The Anchorage landing is expected to cost \$30 million, Mat-Su port director Marc Van Dongen said.

Anchorage municipal leaders want the ferry to land at its expanding port where, according to Anchorage economic and community development executive director Mary Jane Michael, its landing dock can be reused if the ferry one day stops operating.

Mat-Su Borough officials want the ferry to land at Ship Creek, well away from security and traffic at the port.

Both Michael and Duffy said they hope a letter from Anchorage Mayor Mark Begich outlining his expectations for the project will resolve the issue.

But the borough says the delay has had a significant cost.

Van Dongen said ferry service is delayed by two years because a site has not yet been picked, and that the landings will cost \$6 million more to build due to rising construction costs.

Michael said Anchorage supports the ferry project but it has to blend with development plans the city already has for Ship Creek.

And the city wants to see plans for raising capital and operational funds that will resolve concerns that the project would be a burden to Anchorage taxpayers one day if the ferry business stops or subsidies for operations don't follow as planned.

"We need to see a comprehensive plan for the ferry, not just choose a landing," she said.

Duffy said the borough is preparing that information. He said the borough does not yet have funding to build the Anchorage landing, although he's confident the borough will get it.

"It's real hard to ask for funding if you don't know the final cost," Duffy said.

Duffy said the ferry will likely be complete in 2009 but piloting it from Ketchikan to Anchorage in rough winter seas could "reduce the useful life" of the vessel.

He estimated the vessel would be in Cook Inlet in the spring of 2010.

MEA to pursue gas plant

Anchorage Daily News

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WASILLA -- Matanuska Electric Association says regional electric plans won't affect its pursuit of a natural gas plant to serve Eagle River and Mat-Su customers.

Utility cooperative representatives were at an Anchorage meeting of utility leaders and others Thursday, participating in a two-year state-funded Railbelt Electrical Grid Authority study.

Kevin Harper with energy consulting firm Black & Veatch presented preliminary study results that analyzed how Railbelt utilities would be affected if they combined generation and transmission duties. Harper's presentation estimated utilities could save between \$10 and \$30 million each year over 30 years by consolidating into a single, state-run entity. Harper said the utilities, many of them member-owned cooperatives, could continue to operate as energy distributors.

MEA spokeswoman Lorali Carter said after the meeting that MEA administrators have previously backed plans for a traditional generation and transmission cooperative along the Railbelt but are concerned that a state-run entity, overseen by governor-appointed board members, might be too subject to political whims.

Further, Harper's presentation suggested that the authority might have easier access to tax-free financing if it was not subject to regulation by the state Regulatory Commission of Alaska. Carter said MEA would prefer that the new entity remain under Regulatory Commission control.

Fort Wainwright soldiers head to Iraq

The Associated Press

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About 500 soldiers based at Fort Wainwright near Fairbanks will be deployed to Iraq this week, the Army says.

A deployment ceremony is planned Thursday for the soldiers of Task Force 49.

The unit will provide aerial reconnaissance and air support in Iraq during the 12-month deployment.

Alaska gas prices highest in US

The Associated Press

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The AAA says the average price of regular gas in Alaska is the highest in the nation, topping this month's list at \$4.64 a gallon.

Alaska is followed by California at \$4.51 a gallon and Hawaii at \$4.47.

The automobile association surveys nearly 100,000 gas stations across the country daily.

The Anchorage average is \$4.42 a gallon today compared with \$2.98 a year ago, AAA said. The Alaska average a year ago was \$3.12.

Nationally, regular gasoline prices average \$4.11, AAA said.

Meanwhile, oil prices tumbled today as U.S. stocks sold off amid worries about the nation's economic health.

Prices dropped more than \$10 a barrel from their highest point of the day. At midday, light, sweet crude fell \$6.27 to \$138.91 in an extremely volatile session.

The turnaround may not signal a lasting shift in sentiment; prices have swung violently in recent days as they flirted with record highs. But it does underscore investor uncertainty about the sustainability of sky-high prices and their effect on the broader economy.

"They're slamming this pretty good. But remember, these \$10 moves are becoming a little more commonplace," said Phil Flynn, analyst at Alaron Trading Corp. in Chicago.

Oil prices plunge to \$138

INFLATION: Investors showing uncertainty over sky-high prices.

By ADAM SCHRECK

The Associated Press

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NEW YORK -- Oil prices fell harder than they have in 17 years Tuesday as fears that record fuel prices are spreading broad economic pain exacerbated the third big sell-off in just over a week.

Alaska North Slope oil plunged \$6.44, or 4.5 percent, to close at \$138.04 a barrel on West Coast open markets. Other grades of oil from around the world fell similar amounts.

Mounting concerns about the risks inflation poses to the United States, the world's biggest oil consumer, helped spark the declines. Analysts also attributed the sell-off on the New York Mercantile Exchange to Thursday's expiration of options contracts, which tend to increase volatility, and to computers programed to automatically sell once prices reach certain thresholds.

"There was this big ... selling pressure when prices dipped below \$140 a barrel. It got a lot of bulls very nervous," said Tom Kloza, chief oil analyst at the Oil Price Information Service. "If it was a fire, you'd call it an accelerant."

The drop, which eclipsed last Tuesday's slide of \$5.33, marked the biggest decline in dollar terms since the Gulf War. Even so, prices remain no lower than they were a week ago.

Longtime market observers cautioned that the turnaround might not signal a lasting shift in sentiment -- prices have swung violently in recent days as they flirted with record highs. But it does underscore investor uncertainty about the sustainability of sky-high prices and their potentially long-lasting effects on the broader economy.

Concerns about the economy were high on traders' minds Tuesday.

Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke told Congress that "numerous difficulties" are racking the U.S. economy, and warned that rising prices for energy and food are elevating the risks of inflation.

At the same time, the Labor Department reported that wholesale inflation jumped by 1.8 percent last month, a larger-than-expected gain. Over the past year, wholesale prices have risen 9.2 percent, the most since 1981.

The latest monthly market report from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries

gave traders further reason to unload oil.

The cartel predicted world oil demand will rise by 900,000 barrels a day in 2009, or 100,000 barrels per day less than this year. OPEC blamed the slowdown on a slumping economy and high pump prices in richer industrialized countries.

Meanwhile, a five-day strike by Brazilian oil workers that began early Monday had less effect on output than feared.

The dollar fell to a new low against the euro, but that did little to halt oil's decline. The weaker dollar has driven prices sharply higher in recent months, enticing investors to pump money into oil as a hedge against inflation and making crude cheaper for overseas buyers.

President Bush continued to press the Democratic-run Congress to open up new areas to offshore oil drilling. The president lifted a ban on continental shelf drilling Monday, but a congressional prohibition remains.

At the fuel pump, retail gas prices in the U.S. remained at a record near \$4.11 a gallon, according to auto club AAA, the Oil Price Information Service and Wright Express. Diesel rose six-tenths of a penny to its own high of \$4.83 a gallon.

The AAA says the average price of regular gas in Alaska is the highest in the nation, at \$4.64 a gallon.

Alaska is followed by California at \$4.51 a gallon and Hawaii at \$4.47.

The Anchorage average is \$4.42 a gallon today compared with \$2.98 a year ago, AAA said. The Alaska average a year ago was \$3.12.

Tuesday's sell-off alone is unlikely to bring drivers much relief.

"People shouldn't expect to see their pump prices drop," Kloza said.

Slow business prompts perks in Denali park

By Rena Delbridge <<http://www.newsminer.com/staff/rena-delbridge/>>

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FAIRBANKS — Visitation is down 13 percent so far this year at Denali National Park, prompting some businesses to offer major bargains in hopes of sparking in-state travel.

According to the park public affairs office, 143,514 visitors entered Denali so far this year, compared to about 164,324 at this time in 2007. Even camping reservations declined 17 percent through June 22, said Kris Fister, park public affairs manager.

Attributing the decline to a slow economy and rising gas prices, Denali Park Resorts is offering half-price bargains on two-night stays through Sept. 17 — plus a \$100 gas card. More two-for-one specials are available on tours and activities hosted by the company.

"We are really having to provide tremendous value for the gas dollar," said Bob Concienne, vice president for Alaska operations for Aramark Parks and Destinations, which owns Denali Park Resorts.

Traffic is down at Denali Park Resorts' four lodging facilities near the park, Concienne said. At the same time, changes in consumer spending patterns indicate people want more value for a dollar — and that they are willing to forego far-off vacations in favor of staycations, or vacations taken at home or close to home to save money.

"The incentive is gas," he said. "If we can incentivize folks to come visit our properties if we pay for their gas, all the better."

Aramark wanted to capitalize on the momentum of staycations. Staycations will be a key component of Denali Park Resorts' business for the next few years, he added.

"We've got to provide that sort of option and make it attractive," he said.

Denali Park Resorts' focus on staycations could boost business at independent businesses serving tourists around the national park — some of whom say they're unable to offer such drastic cuts as the national chain Aramark.

Instead, they are relying on word-of-mouth advertising and loyalty, offering discounts for return customers and military, and hoping this tourist season picks up.

Joanna Cockman is co-owner of Denali Outdoors Center, a Healy business that pairs a campground and cabins with raft trips, kayak tours and mountain bike excursions.

Tourism is definitely slow this season, she said, although the pick-up in German-speaking travelers has helped offset the overall decreases.

That's because the center caters to independent travelers, rather than those on package tours, and German-speaking guests are more likely to see Alaska on their own.

The center always offers discounts for locals, she said.

The slow-down has also hit high-end tourist services, such as flightseeing. Tim Cudney, director of business development for Era Helicopters, said he and others in the business have noticed declines this year.

He said Era is taking the slowdown in stride, managing better instead of laying off staff or making other cuts. A cushion is softening the situation — Era raised rates significantly last year to reflect higher fuel costs, and is somewhat offsetting declines in numbers through those fee increases, Cudney explained.

While Era isn't trying to lure more business with deals, people can typically save money by buying tickets direct, Cudney said.

Energy summit to focus on gasification facility

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FAIRBANKS — High-ranking federal and state officials will be in Fairbanks this week for an energy summit hosted by borough Mayor Jim Whitaker and U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens to fast-track a plant to turn coal and biomass into power, fuel and heat for Interior Alaska.

Officials attending include U.S. Department of Energy Undersecretary Bud Albright Jr., and Kevin Billings, deputy assistant secretary of the Air Force for Energy and Environment. Alaska's Washington, D.C., delegation and state Speaker of the House Rep. John Harris, R-Valdez, are expected to attend, as well. Gov. Sarah Palin was invited but hasn't confirmed her plans.

Whitaker said the summit will hopefully solidify federal and state support for the Interior Energy Plan that the borough and the Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation have been working on for more than three years. Heating and fueling costs have increased exponentially during that time, prompting Whitaker and others to push for quick action on a plant.

Attendees will hear from experts in resources, transportation, technology and more on Friday morning at Wedgewood Resort, followed by a question-and-answer period. The group is scheduled for dinner and a reception at Chena Hot Springs, where discussions will continue Saturday morning.

Each party will be asked to pledge support and to consider what they can bring to the table to build the facility.

"We recognize that it will take a bit of time, but not much, in order for the participants of this summit to be fully authorized (to act)," Whitaker said. "The intent is to fast-track this."

Making sure planning is complete and funding is in place will fast-track the project, he explained. Local proponents are also hoping for a military commitment to site the facility at Eielson Air Force Base and to purchase fuel, a key component in bringing a plant online quickly, Whitaker said.

Meanwhile, FEDC and the borough anticipate a report this fall from Toronto-based consultant Hatch Ltd. that should identify the best options and costs for building a gasification facility.

As proposed, such a plant would turn coal and biomass into gas, then use the Fischer-Tropsch process to turn the gas into liquid fuel for space heating and transportation. Additional gas would be used to power turbines to generate electricity.

The same raw materials, coal and biomass, could also be gasified as synthetic fuels. The Air Force could be a critical market for those synthetic fuels.

The Fischer-Tropsch process was developed in Germany in the 1920s. The process has been used for several decades to fuel vehicles in South Africa.

Whitaker and Stevens are hosting the energy summit with support from FEDC.

Fairbanks fire training center expected to open in September

By Staff report <<http://www.newsminer.com/staff/staff-report/>>

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FAIRBANKS — The Fairbanks Regional Fire Training Center on 30th Avenue and Lathrop Street is expected to be completed by the end of September if the City Council approves a resolution to fund the completion of the second phase of the project.

The fire training center is used by city, borough and interior firefighters and has been funded by the state and local governments so far.

Fairbanks borough, UAF eye free bus rides

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FAIRBANKS — University students, professors, employees and teachers could start riding the bus for free this fall.

The Fairbanks North Star Borough and the University of Alaska Fairbanks are eyeing a deal where anyone with a school ID card could hop on any public bus line for free, anywhere, anytime.

Brian Rogers, the university's interim chancellor, said rising gasoline costs, coupled with parking fees, can leave some students and staff paying up to \$10 a day to commute and park.

"Absent this," Rogers said of the proposed pilot program, "there's a real barrier to students, an economic barrier, and all of us are facing it." The rising cost of commuting to school and work hinders the school's mission of promoting academic excellence and lifelong learning in Alaska, he said.

Four of the borough's six fixed-route bus lines — Yellow, Blue, Red and Gray — make regular stops at the university's main campus, and the downtown transit center sits a couple of blocks away from the school's Tanana Valley Campus.

It would hit a slice of the community that already uses the bus often — about one in six of all 292,000 bus rides start or end at the university's Wood Center student activity building, said Glenn Miller, who directs the Transportation Department for the borough. But there could be room for growth, as only seven riders disembarked from a combined four bus stops at the Wood Center between 9:15 and 9:45 Tuesday morning.

Twenty-one-year-old chemistry student Kyung Kim said she'd heard something last week from a friend about the prospect of free rides.

"I think it's a good idea," said Kim, an incoming sophomore who has used monthly bus passes to commute between North Pole and UAF all summer. A native of Korea who has attended high school and college in Fairbanks for four years, she said free rides would make her think seriously about commuting year-round. She said the bus system in her hometown is far more convenient than here, but added that in many ways, using the Fairbanks routes still beats driving.

"If the bus system was more convenient, I might take the bus to come here every day" all year, she said outside the Wood Center on Tuesday.

Borough Mayor Jim Whitaker is set to formally pitch what would amount to a pilot project this week.

For the first year or two, the university would pay the borough a fraction of the prospective contract's price tag to compensate for lost fares, Miller said. After that, if the pilot project is successful, the two sides can strike a longer-term deal that would leave the university on the hook to pay roughly \$200,000 or more each year.

The Borough Assembly could approve the trial run as early as July 24. That would put the free-rides program in place weeks in advance of the fall semester.

Part-time students would also be eligible for the proposed program, as would anyone with an active school identification card.

Whitaker said the proposal also carries the potential of increasing overall ridership numbers, which he said could mean more federal funding for the bus system.

"Overall, it's a significant winner for both the borough and the university," he said.

Many large cities, including Anchorage, strike transit deals with big employers. Rogers said the idea has been floating around Fairbanks for a few years.

This summer, he said, Whitaker's chief of staff revived the idea during meetings with Rogers' administrative services transition team.

The group realized the plan could help lower student costs, make life on campus a little more "sustainable," make it easier to park and get people in the habit of using public transit.

"Based on that, the mayor put together a proposal (for) us and I said, 'Yes, we're prepared to pay a portion on a trial basis.' And off it went," Rogers said.

Miller said more bus riders would also reduce air pollution by cutting the number of cars on the road, including a type of pollution consisting of tiny bits of airborne dust, chronic in Fairbanks.

"Reducing the total (vehicle miles traveled) will not only help us in our current struggles" with particulate pollution, Miller wrote in an e-mail, "but with other pollutants such as carbon monoxide and other gases that seem to be front page news around the country today."

The school would pay the borough almost \$20,000 under the first year of the pilot program.

Anchorage has used a similar deal to offer free bus rides to university students and staff for a decade, according to Jody Karcz, the city's transit director. The number of riders who flashed their university ID for a free ride more than doubled during the U-Pass program's first couple of semesters, from 359 riders per day to 850, she said. Since then, the city has struck similar ridership deals with a few other big employers including ConocoPhillips.

Karcz said she thinks frequent riders appreciate the added option of taking the bus for free to and from work, particularly in light of the rising cost of gasoline.

She suspects rising fuel costs have led to increased ridership in Anchorage, which has risen by about 10 percent in recent months.

"When you get rid of the fare, you make ridership a lot easier," she said.

Rogers said organizers would define a long-term free-rider program based on how well it works during the trial course.

"We really appreciate that the mayor came up with this program and hope the trial shows that it does make a difference and reaches all of our objectives," he said.

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With low rates back, conservation slackens

AEL&P spokesman says energy use still lower than in 2007

Juneau is still conserving electricity compared to last year. But in the month the city spent back on lower rates, usage crept up once again.

"Energy use in 2008 is trending upward at a relatively constant slope," wrote Alaska Electric Light & Power Co. spokesman Scott Willis in an e-mail.

Last week, Juneau used about 13 percent less electricity than in the same week last year, according to numbers provided by Willis. Conservation persists despite this year's cooler temperatures, which ordinarily tend to correlate with higher electricity use.

In the weeks before the April 16 avalanche, Juneau was using about 2 to 3 percent more electricity than during the same time in 2007. That trend might have been expected to continue - until avalanches destroyed the lines from the Snettisham hydroelectric power plant and forced the city to rely on more expensive diesel. At the height of Juneau's enthusiasm for conservation, in May, residents and businesses made national news by conserving electricity by more than 30 percent compared to the year before.

Anecdotally, Juneau Home Depot manager Troy Wolfenbarger painted a similar picture. After the avalanches, he couldn't keep compact fluorescent light bulbs in stock, as pallet after pallet sold out. Now, he said, they're still selling more than they were before the avalanches, but just slightly more. Gas-fueled major appliances such as dryers and stoves, which also gained sudden popularity after the avalanches, are also still selling a bit more, he said.

"I can see there is still some consciousness out there about energy conservation, but it's nothing like it was," he said.

Was the conservation a temporary blip in our usual consumption habits? Could it portend greater future energy conservation?

"I think some of it still may be behavioral. I think people may have found that they can do just fine without certain things," said Willis, noting that lights were still dim at various offices around town, and that he himself had realized he could turn his boiler off.

The focus on conservation for many may shift back to petroleum products, as gasoline and

heating oil prices rise - and the latter is once again more expensive than electricity.

"What I'm hearing from friends and family is the inclination to go buy plug-in heaters because oil is so expensive," said Sally Schlicting, a member of the city Sustainability Commission.

But people can't just switch to a new energy source, she added.

"You've got to insulate your home and reduce your energy consumption," she said.

Responding to news of the upward trend, Bill Leighty, an energy analyst and former member of the city Energy Advisory Committee, said people shouldn't be surprised by it.

"People are sick and tired of not being able to use their electric dryers," he said.

He maintained that Juneau could have done more - and could still do more - to retrain itself to consume less energy.

That would have required, for example, seeing a shockingly high bill very early in the crisis; conducting home energy audits on a mass scale to find and fix where energy is wasted; and installing smart meters in houses to show people directly the effects of turning on appliances.

"If you're training a dog, you need to give the dog rapid, immediate feedback to reinforce or discourage behavior. We're just smart dogs, in this case," Leighty said.

KETCHIKAN DAILY NEWS

Committee to discuss tax incentives

KETCHIKAN (KDN) - Property tax incentives is a discussion item for the Planning Liaison Committee's meeting Tuesday.

Assembly Member John Harrington, committee co-chair, listed in a memo four possible tax incentives/exemptions for the committee to discuss, including historic sites, buildings and monuments; maintenance and repair or renovation of an existing structure; economic development property; and substantial rehabilitation of deteriorated property.

Harrington writes historic buildings could be exempted from taxes, according to state law.

Tax incentives for maintenance of an existing building category is limited to four years, and the extent of repairs while rehabilitation of deteriorated property is up to 10 years.

Economic development property only applies to new capital ventures and is limited to five years.

Also on Tuesday's agenda, is a review of the comprehensive plan update sections 3 through 6, and going over the proposed job description for an economic development manager.

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Wasilla council grapples with unethical behavior

Tuesday, July 15, 2008

WASILLA, Alaska -- The Wasilla City Council has agreed that Mayor Dianne Keller and her staff acted unethically to benefit a developer.

But Monday night the council had a more difficult time deciding what should happen to all those involved.

"My concern is that if we don't do anything here, we've essentially told the employees

that we condone this behavior," Councilwoman Dianne Woodruff said.

Woodruff proposed an action memorandum to censure the two current and one former employee accused of working inappropriately and illegally with Meritage Development Group.

The memorandum failed with a 3-1 vote.

Some council members say since the mayor hires her staff she must be the one to discipline them.

"I just want to make sure that we take the right process," Councilman Marty Mativa said. "You know, we're governed by code, there's certain things we can do, and there's certain things we can't do."

Council member Steve Menard announced Monday he will bring back his June 30 motion for a vote of no confidence in Mayor Keller.

The original motion was pulled after council approved a motion to request Keller's resignation. Keller told the council she will not resign.

News Minute: Inflation...Potential veeps...Israeli confirmation

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WASHINGTON (AP) - Americans were again paying a lot more for energy last month -- and that led to the biggest jump in consumer inflation in 26 years. The government says prices soared by 1.1%, a much worse showing than expected. Big gains for gasoline, home heating oil and natural gas get much of the blame.

CHICAGO (AP) - Barack Obama is meeting with two potential running mates amid a push to outline his vision for Iraq and U.S. foreign policy elsewhere. Obama will be joined by Indiana Senator Evan Bayh and former Georgia Senator Sam Nunn at an event at Purdue University in Indiana today.

CINCINNATI (AP) - John McCain will speak before the NAACP's annual conference in Cincinnati. In his speech, he'll promise to expand school choice, saying new reforms should be demanded by parents who send their children to failing schools.

ROSH HANIKRA, Israel (AP) - Hezbollah guerrillas have turned over two coffins containing the bodies of Israeli soldiers captured two years ago. Though Israeli officials had suspected the soldiers were dead all along, the sight of the two coffins was the first proof of that since they were captured.

STICKNEY, Ill. (AP) - A family from suburban Chicago says they arrived at a funeral home to view their 91-year-old grandmother's body, but found another woman inside the casket instead. The family of Lillian Grogan says the stranger was wearing their grandmother's dress and favorite bracelet, after the funeral home mixed the women up.

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Hydropower

Chakachamna has become an alternative worth exploring

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A good-sized hydropower project at Chakachamna Lake about 85 miles west of Anchorage looks promising as a major source of renewable energy that can help hold down electricity costs in the Railbelt for decades.

The proposed project would generate enough power to provide electricity to nearly a third of the homes from Fairbanks to Anchorage to the Kenai Peninsula -- enough to take the edge off worries that cheap, once-abundant supplies of natural gas from Cook Inlet are drying up.

It's worth a serious look -- especially compared with more costly or most environmentally disruptive alternatives, like using coal, or building a more massive hydro project on the Susitna River.

The Chakachamna project is estimated to cost \$1.75 billion. That would be a big investment, but as with all hydro projects, a big up-front investment buys a source of electricity that runs for decades, with fuel costs that are essentially zero. The price of electricity from the project will depend on whether the state contributes construction funds. The more the state contributes, the less the electricity will cost. Power from the state-financed Bradley Lake hydro project, near Homer, wholesales for around 4.4 cents a kilowatt hour compared to about 7.5 cents for electricity from natural gas generators.

Chakachamna was among 33 alternative energy projects that just won a small but encouraging grant from the Denali Commission and the Alaska Energy Authority.

The project was first brought up in the 1980s, but big-dreaming community leaders and politicians at the time favored a huge and ultimately unrealistic hydro project on the Susitna River. TDX Power recently revived Chakachamna Lake, simplified it, and lessened one of the major concerns with the early version -- that it could hurt salmon runs.

The latest proposal, instead of creating a dam, calls for building a 12-mile long tunnel to funnel water from the mountains to a power plant near sea level. The idea is that the level of the lake wouldn't have to be raised behind a dam that would block salmon from swimming upstream.

It's not clear whether building Chakachamna would hurt the economic prospects for a natural gas pipeline from the North Slope to Southcentral. To make that gas pipeline economically feasible, it needs some big industrial customers to buy a lot of gas -- such as Railbelt electric utilities, which burn the gas to generate most of their power. Hydropower would mean cheaper electricity in the long run, but the gas pipeline will mean cheaper heating fuel in the long run.

Which is the better option? Could the region support both projects? Those questions require speedy attention from the state. Other questions -- such as the impact on fish, risks from earthquakes and volcanic eruptions -- will need to be addressed too.

Chakachamna is everything the Susitna mega-hydro project wasn't. It is a relatively modest, affordable project with environmental impacts that, at least at this very preliminary stage, appear to be manageable. Having the Chakachamna project in the mix of possibilities is an exciting prospect for Alaska's energy future.

BOTTOM LINE: This \$1.75 billion project is a potentially attractive option that the state should help investigate.

A great leap

On a June morning in 1937, my father, Fabian, crawled out of his sleeping bag in the brush at the edge of Fairbanks. He was 20 and had just spent his first night in Interior Alaska. The trip from Minneapolis lasted a week.

I have often wondered what he thought as he folded up his bag. Was he anxious? A certain amount of courage was required to head north in 1937.

Fabian's grandfather and great-grandfather needed courage, too, more than a half century earlier when they left Denmark for the United States.

My family tree is filled with Irish names -- Carey, Sullivan, O'Sullivan, O'Keefe -- but there's also a Larsen branch. The Larsens were farmers in the old country and farmers in the new, at Ortonville, Minn., along the South Dakota border.

A popular history of Minnesota says Ortonville was laid out by C.K. Orton who "established a trading post with the Sioux Indians. As the settlers filtered into the country and took up homesteads, Ortonville began to flourish. . . ."

The Larsens traveled by steamer from Copenhagen or Hamburg. I don't know where they landed. If they sailed from Hamburg perhaps they heard the ship's band play -- as ship's bands did in Hamburg -- "Must I Then, Must I Then, Leave My Native Town." Yes, they must -- Danish farmers struggled from year to year. Minnesota, they heard, would be better.

Yet what did the Larsens think the first morning they woke up in Ortonville? They had been traveling for days. They didn't speak the language. Their knowledge of American geography was so rudimentary it would be fair to say they didn't know where they were. It would be understandable if at day's end they watched the sun set over South Dakota and asked "What have I done?"

Nevertheless, they got up the next morning and commenced working, becoming in a generation middle-class citizens -- and city people, residents of Minneapolis.

My friend Jerome Lardy, who accompanied me to Ortonville a few years ago, liked to say "Michael, we have no idea where we are going in this universe. At least we'd like to know where we came from."

I came from people who leapt into the unknown -- and landed safely. My gratitude is no bookend to their courage. But gratitude is what I have to offer. I would not be here if they had not leapt.

-- Michael Carey

Letters to the editor (7/16/08)

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Use flatcars to haul commuters

Here's an idea to ponder regarding Valley commuters: What about ferrying cars on a railroad flatcar of some sort made especially for the task? That way commuters can have their cars in the city but take advantage of mass transit to and from the Valley.

I am not a Valley commuter, but I can see how simply taking a train into Anchorage to work presents some challenges with getting around once you're here, as well as those days when something may prevent you from getting back to the train on time to get home.

-- Pam Butcher

Anchorage

Alaska gas line may be best

Gov. Sarah Palin should be commended for her efforts to market our North Slope natural gas. Unfortunately, she now claims we have but two choices: TransCanada's or the producers' ever-retreating gas lines across Canada.

Nonsense. We have always had the more lucrative and environmentally preferred all-Alaska, state-owned, privately operated gas line and LNG export option through Valdez. Given the price of oil, we can pay for it in one year -- and pocket the trillions of dollars the gas will sell for in Asia.

If TransCanada turns out to be the best qualified, they can build and operate it for us. If you agree, call or e-mail your legislators today and tell them that's what you want.

-- Mike Macy

Anchorage

Used wind generators worth look

I am no expert on alternative energy. I am no expert on the Bush. I read in National Geographic that the largest wind resources in the world are on the Bering Sea coast and the Aleutians. I recently discovered that in California and other western states the first-generation turbines are being replaced with the new models (larger, more efficient). The old ones, still perfectly usable, are stacked like cordwood all over California. They are nearly giving them away. Has the state considered buying a bunch and installing them in energy-deprived Bush communities? If not, why not? I would think that a one-time investment in the tens of millions of dollars would provide cheap, renewable energy to the coastal Bush. Facing a crisis with no obvious solutions, recycled wind generators look pretty good to me. But I'm no expert.

-- Anthony J. Pippel

Palmer

Quit whining about little eyesores

Regarding "The good, the bad, the ugly" feature: I just find it funny and have to laugh a little when people in this town complain about an "ugly cement median" in the middle of a road, or a big rock on the side of a street near a brick wall, or a dumpster behind a building that you see for maybe, oh, three seconds as you drive by. Don't you yuppies have anything better to do than complain about eyesores in this town? Why don't you do something about it instead of just complain? But don't use my tax dollars, please. I'm not giving my money up just for some flowers for two months out of the year so you don't have to look at a box of dirt for one second while you drive by.

-- Ross R. Henderson

Anchorage

Small-dog owners must be alert

As an owner of two Maltese-poodle mixes, my heart goes out to Marelene Brannen, whose little Toby was killed by an attacking Rottweiler. In the last few months, my dogs have been charged three times by very large dogs while I have been walking them leashed in good residential areas. Fortunately, I always carry a small pepper spray just for this reason, and it is highly effective in stopping the charging dog.

Large dogs are attracted to small dogs as prey; it is instinct. I have owned small dogs most of my life, and I have experienced three serious attacks on my small leashed dogs by unleashed dogs attacking mine. One time the injuries were caused by the large dog "playing" with the little one. On two other occasions there were deep puncture wounds.

Please, dog owners, keep your dogs leashed. Small-dog owners, be on constant alert when walking your dog and always carry pepper spray to stop an attack.

-- Carol Winters

Eagle River

FAIRBANKS NEWS MINER

(Letters to the Editor/Opinion)

Welcome back

World Eskimo-Indian Olympics makes summer whole again

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July in Fairbanks just wasn't like a true July in Fairbanks last year.

Now that the World Eskimo-Indian Olympics is home again, beginning today at the Carlson Center, our Fairbanks summer is whole again.

The four-day event, now in its 48th year, has long been a staple of Fairbanks summers.

When the event moved to Anchorage last summer, locals who had attended the event year-after-year sorely missed the pageantry, browsing the rows of artisans' tables, the socialization and sitting down to watch those tests of strength that make spectators joints and muscles (and ears) ache in empathy.

Attending this event is a treat for the mind and senses more than a simple sporting event.

It runs on a schedule, but is somewhat leisurely. The evening sessions begin at 5 and are scheduled up to midnight, but it's not uncommon for things to run a little late.

It is to be attended with the mindset of soaking it all in, conversing with the people you meet and taking time to listen and understand what you're watching.

It involves gaining an appreciation of different cultures presented by everyone and everything from the Miss WEIO pageant contestants and dancers representing Haida, Tlingit, Tsimshian, Aleut and Athabascan cultures, to the artisans selling their crafts to the athletes performing tests of skill and strength.

The athletic contests can be show-stoppers, make no mistake.

Events ranging from the ear weight and ear pull competitions to knuckle-hop, high kicks and one-arm reach pull spectators into the drama of balance, endurance and sheer athletic skill.

Attending these games involves a broad range of experiences, and most everyone comes away with a different impression or memory from each day's events.

Those who missed the games last year are thrilled to have them back again this year, back in Fairbanks, back at home.

Kudos News-Miner

Chief Mitch Demientieff, Nenana

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To the editor:

I want to first of all congratulate the News-Miner for having the courage to make the decision to run the series regarding the John Hartman issue. I also know that Brian O'Donoghue with his teaching and organizing skills is responsible for this work. Having evaluated the work, it became self-evident the work of his students, and I am proud to witness that work because as great as Brian is in my mind, I know you young people did the grunt work and used well-researched information to make this series possible.

It is sad, but racism is alive and well in Alaska today, although it is different from years ago when there were "No Natives or Dogs Allowed" signs on businesses in Fairbanks. Now it is behind the back and through other refined means which do the same thing.

I fully respect the judicial branch of our government, have the confidence that justice will prevail and want to see the proper people brought before the court and the innocent freed.

Presumed innocent?

Dick L. Madsen, Fairbanks

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To the editor:

Congratulations on printing the well-written series on the Hartman murder case.

It was well balanced, non-judgmental and yet brought out the many doubts, misconceptions and the immediate focus on only the four defendants by the local police.

Before anyone writes a follow-up letter to you, I will unequivocally state that I have an obvious bias having represented Marvin Roberts since his arrest almost 11 years ago.

Maybe if I live long enough, I will see the day when Marvin will see some small measure of justice in his case. As of now, his slim hopes lie in the State Supreme Court or the state Parole Board.

Within two years, Marvin will be eligible for parole and normally would have an excellent chance given that he has no past criminal record.

However, parole is granted only to those who readily admit their guilt.

I met with him last May and feel confident that he will never admit to something he did not do, even if it could mean his freedom.

Although I have retired after practicing criminal law for nearly 40 years, I continue to represent Marvin Roberts, who is my only remaining client.

In that period of time, I have never seen a case involving two or more defendants when at least one did not testify for the state in order to receive a lesser sentence. This has not happened even though it would put an end to all the doubts and speculation. Very strange indeed.

In the meantime, it is very unlikely that anyone will magically appear to say what happened in October 1997. Roberts may well remain in prison for something he didn't do because one person claimed to have seen something that was impossible to see, perjury was likely committed, a jury violated its oath and a court system could not seem to do the right thing.

Presumed innocent? Not in this case.

Equal opportunity

Zuzanna Bobinski, North Pole

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To the editor:

I would like to thank Backyard Amusements for participating in the success of our organization's annual picnic in 2007.

As we were organizing our picnic for this year's event at Pioneer Park, we were saddened to learn that the borough rejected Backyard Amusements' participation in any more private parties in the park. This is truly unfortunate; more than 30 children attended last year's picnic and will miss Backyard Amusements' services this year.

I was also surprised to hear that the Midnight Sun Street Fair had an Anchorage company have its backyard amusement attend instead of having a local company at the Fairbanks street fair.

JUNEAU EMPIRE

(Letters to the Editor/Opinion)

My turn: Sealaska should receive promised acres

The recent Associated Press article about Sealaska's efforts to achieve final land entitlement under the 1971 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act is misleading.

The story implies that through federal legislation, Sealaska will receive more land than it is allowed under ANCSA and fails to consider the environmental benefits from passage of this legislative amendment.

Under the proposed amendment to ANCSA, Sealaska would receive only the acres that we are entitled to receive as promised by ANCSA - not a single acre more. Further, the legislation provides greater protection of old growth timber and a net increase in federally designated roadless areas, which has been a national priority for many conservation organizations.

While ANCSA promised Sealaska up to 375,000 acres of our ancestral homelands - a small fraction of the areas historically occupied by our tribal ancestors - we own just 290,000 of those promised acres, by far the smallest share of any Alaska Native Regional Corporation.

No other ANCSA Regional Corporation was as restricted in where their land selections could come from, which is a result of the strong control the now-defunct pulp mills once had on the Tongass.

Sealaska is currently required to select its remaining lands from federally designated "withdrawal" areas.

The proposed legislation would authorize the selection of our remaining ANCSA land entitlement from lands currently outside of the designated withdrawal areas, within Southeast Alaska and from lands generally set aside for commercial timber harvest. There would be a substantial net gain of roadless acreage in the Tongass National Forest, a public benefit.

In our Native language we call the proposed legislation Haa Aani, simply "Our Land." The official name of the amendment is HR 3560, the "Southeast Alaska Native Land Entitlement Finalization Act."

Under the amendment, Sealaska would select 3,600 acres for traditional Native sacred cultural and historic sites. An additional 5,000 acres of the entitlement would be for 47 sites that could be developed for light-footprint ecotourism projects. Combined, these sites would be off-limits to commercial timber harvest or mineral development.

The remaining acres would come from nine parcels of largely roaded, second-growth forest lands currently managed by the U.S. Forest Service.

Sealaska has been working with Southeast stakeholders over the last decade to create this proposal. It is a manifestation of our commitment to sustaining our Native culture and economies, something we call Haa Shaqoon - Our Past, Our Present, Our Future. It is our never-ending work to balance our heritage and culture; our natural resources and environment; and our economy and jobs.

It is our goal to meet the needs of local citizens, Sealaska tribal member shareholders and all Alaska Natives. Sealaska has conducted nearly 150 meetings with stakeholders of every persuasion and actively participates in the Tongass Futures Roundtable, a diverse group of people who reside in or treasure the values of Southeast Alaska. It is this critical process that has informed the legislation and we will continue this effort - Haa Aani is still a work in progress.

The benefits of the proposed amendments are significant. Sealaska is currently one of the southeast region's largest private employers. The amendment will enable Sealaska to continue to be a significant provider of jobs that positively impact many of the Southeast Alaska communities. The benefits reach beyond just Southeast Alaska.

The ANCSA Section 7(i) revenue sharing provisions with the other ANCSA regional corporations ultimately benefit more than 80,000 tribal member shareholders.

With Haa Aani, the federal government will fulfill its promise to Sealaska. At the same time, Sealaska will focus on its goals of perpetuating Native culture, serving the economic and social needs of its tribal member shareholders, and securing ownership of lands of great cultural and historic significance to the Native people of Southeast Alaska.

Outside editorial: Taking advice from an oil man

As legendary oil investor T. Boone Pickens tells the story, Republican Bob Dole wanted him to head up his 1996 presidential campaign in Texas. In return, Pickens wanted to be Dole's chief adviser on energy policy.

Dole listened. And Dole advised Pickens on political reality:

Right there, on the floor, that's a sleeping dog. Politicians don't kick sleeping dogs. Bill Clinton doesn't give a damn about energy and I don't either. We're not either one of

us gonna kick a sleeping dog and so energy will not be an issue in this campaign.

But in case one of us stumbles over the dog, and if one of us has a problem, you will be the guy who advises me.

"Neither one of them," Pickens said, "had a problem with energy. ... They didn't want anything to do with it."

And that, he said, sums up why the United States has stood by and watched its addiction to oil grow for decades.

Why would Dole or Clinton have cared? The price of oil struggled to crack \$20 a barrel in 1996 and a gallon of gas sold for about \$1.50.

Now gas is over \$4 a gallon and Pickens isn't waiting for the government to come up with an answer. He has devised his own plan to help the U.S. reduce its dependence on foreign oil - and he's putting money behind it.

In a visit to the Chicago Tribune editorial board last week, Pickens used an easel and a green marker to draw a picture of a country in crisis - and in denial. Net oil imports needed to meet daily demand have nearly doubled in the past 35 years, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, to nearly 60 percent from 35 percent. That's \$700 billion a year draining out of the country.

"This is very close to war for this country," said Pickens.

He proposes replacing the 22 percent of electricity the nation gets from natural gas with wind energy. That would free up that natural gas to become an alternative fuel for cars. He says cars running on natural gas could cover 38 percent of U.S. transportation needs.

Pickens is on to something here. Dependence on foreign oil is creating a drag on the U.S. economy and puts the nation in a strategically vulnerable position.

With gasoline this expensive and the U.S. economy teetering, John McCain and Barack Obama aren't talking about sleeping dogs. They're talking energy alternatives. McCain is pushing to build 45 new nuclear plants - and wants to offer a \$300 million prize for a better car battery. Obama wants the government to invest \$150 billion over a decade in new energy sources.

The Pickens proposal should be part of this mix.

Natural gas has a lot going for it. There's plenty of it here. It's a clean fuel; it doesn't contribute to greenhouse gases. It doesn't poach on the nation's food supply, as

corn-based ethanol does.

There are a lot of moving parts to his plan. A large number of wind turbines would have to be built on a broad swath of the Great Plains from Canada to Mexico. (Price tag? About \$1 trillion. Pickens is an investor in wind energy.) A distribution system for the wind power would have to be built. (Estimated cost, \$70 billion.) U.S. automakers would have to make a commitment to selling cars powered by natural gas.

Rep. Rahm Emanuel, D-Ill., says he plans to push legislation to encourage automakers to sell natural gas cars here. The technology is available. European markets have shown strong demand for such cars.

These are intriguing ideas. They carry some risk: boosting demand for natural gas cars would hike the price for natural gas if supplies don't rise or if the wind alternative doesn't materialize. But wind, too, is plentiful. These ideas would boost rural economies. And they would help the U.S. halt the disastrous upward trajectory of oil imports.

There are plenty of other ideas. Let's work on clean coal technology. Coal still produces half our electricity - and will for years to come. We need a lot more nuclear power. Conservation efforts? Yes, absolutely.

Swap wind power for natural gas vehicle fuel? Let's see Obama and McCain put that on the table.

The American generation gap transcends race

It was the whisper heard round the world. And even now, no one seems quite certain what that whisper means.

Here was the aging lion Jesse Jackson, sitting in a TV studio, waiting to appear on Fox, forgetting the cardinal rule of TV studios: Always assume the mic is on.

Dissing the young cub Barack Obama in a crude and anatomical way. Beyond the obvious admonition - "Shut up around microphones!" - there's such rich texture here.

It's the story of one generation reluctantly giving way to another - half-supportive, half-suspicious of how the new folks will honor the past. There's fear of irrelevance, fear of mortality, fear the new ones will arrive in the promised land and forget who helped to get them there. It's a classic generational narrative, not limited to African-Americans, but as deeply steeped in that tradition as anywhere.

There's a huge new study out commissioned by the media company Radio One that shines a fascinating light on the complex nuances of black America. The data add a "yes, but" to almost any presumption you might have.

Most blacks say they still struggle with discrimination. Seventy-two percent believe it's important to teach their children to deal with prejudice. But African-Americans aren't nearly as dejected by that as some racial theorists would proclaim.

Seventy percent have a plan for the future. Fifty-four percent are optimistic about what's coming next. Sixty percent believe "things are getting better for me." At a time of general blah in America, these numbers come as pleasant surprise.

Yet whatever you say about black Americans, there's almost always a caveat. Even a phrase like "the black community" doesn't mean any one thing. In fact, its members can't even agree on what they want to be called these days: 42 percent say "black," 44 percent say "African-American."

All of which is to say, at the moment of hope and apprehension, as a torch is passed uneasily from one generation to the next: Be suspicious of all the old stereotypes.

The mics are staying open. The answers will remain complex.

Lisianski Inlet land hustle is wrong

At the Pelican City Council meeting on July 8, I listened with dismay to a teleconference with the U.S. Forest Service Ranger in Hoonah. The basic point conveyed to the residents of Pelican was that discussions were taking place between the forest service and Shee Atika representatives about exchanging Shee Atika land on Admiralty Island at Cube Cove for approximately one third of Yakobi Island and a portion of Chichagof Island across from Pelican.

Should this occur, all the now-public land on the selected areas in Lisianski Inlet would become the private property of Shee Atika Inc.

The Cube Cove land was selected by Shee Atika in the 1971 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; it has been logged by the corporation. The Lisianski land is adjacent to the West Chichagof-Yakobi Island Wilderness Area and is relatively undeveloped land. The Apex-El Nido gold mine across from Pelican went out of production in the late 1930s, and no structures remain standing.