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Ms. Susan Bell
Commissioner, Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic
Development
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RE: Letter of Understanding - 2010 State of Alaska/Denali Commission Match Funding

Dear Commissioner Bell:

In 2010, the State of Alaska (State) allocated \$3 million to match the Denali Commission's (Commission) programmatic efforts. The Denali Commissioners voted to utilize \$1.64 million of the State match for the Commission's energy program with the balance for the Commission's transportation program. Due to complications transferring the State funds to the Commission, this letter serves to document an alternative mechanism for the State to provide match funding to Commission investments. The Commission has selected a project from the agency's FY2013 Work Plan to receive the funds via direct transfer to the Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) from your department.

The Commission's FY2013 Work Plan included eight energy projects, of which only four were able to be fully funded and a fifth project partially funded by the Commission. The fifth prioritized project is a rural power system upgrade in Nunam Iqua, Alaska. The Commission recommends that the \$1.64 million in energy match funding should be provided to AEA, to augment \$760,000 in Commission funds (also to be provided to AEA), to fully fund the construction of the Nunam Iqua rural power system upgrade.

If you are in concurrence with this recommendation, please execute both copies of this letter. Please retain one original copy for your records and return the other to me.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions at (907) 271-1440.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joel Neimeyer".

Joel Neimeyer
Federal Co-Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Susan Bell".

In Concurrence: Susan Bell