

# Project Authorization



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Project Number

366-II

Project Title

Chaninik Wind Group

Performance Period

March 9, 20010 to June 30, 2011

Commission Amount

\$123,700.00

Match Source(s)

Chaninik Wind Group

Match Amount

\$38,772.00

Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Grant/Award, this Authorization:

The Chaninik Wind Group is a collaboration comprised of four villages on the Lower Kuskokwim dedicated to improving their quality of life by increasing their energy independence and efficiently and providing jobs for local residents. The Chaninik Wind Group has acquired funding for high penetration wind turbines through the State of Alaska DCCED via the capital budget, as well as grants from the newly established Renewable Energy Fund.

However, the Kuskokwim region lacks local utility workers required to construct, maintain and optimize efficiency of a new wind power generation system. Puvurna Power Company (Kongiganak), Tuntutuliak Community Services Association, Kwigillingok Power Company, and Kipnuk Light Plant will partner with Yuut Elitnaurviat to coordinate wind technician training for 24 participants.

Training will include wind turbine construction provided on site in Kongiganak, followed by Electrical Academy at Yuut, Woodward EasYGen power management control on site in each village, Nacelle Construction and Repair in Palm Springs, CA and meter base and thermal stove installation and repair on site in each village.

Trainees will be recruited by their employer who will hire and/or keep them in their hiring pool after training for the construction, installation, and maintenance of the wind turbine projects in each of the four villages.

## IN PROGRESS

Planned Start: March 9, 2010

Planned End Date: June 30, 2011

## CLOSE-OUT

Planned Start Date: July 1, 2011

Planned End Date: September 30, 2011