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Please vote yes on HB100.

It is important for many reasons including:

- Jobs with oil prices low, job losses are continuing in the oil sector. It could be important to mention that Agrium's "economic reach" goes well beyond Kenai and into many communities throughout the State.
- Business it's not just about hiring people to do KNO work, it's also about the cash infusion from doing it. There are a large number of indirect jobs generated by a facility like KNO.
- Cook Inlet just a few years ago we were looking at importing natural gas to energize the rail-belt. New exploration and production have saved us from that, it's time to bolster a steady market for explorers, and Agrium's operation creates a steady gas market. Absent a gas buyer like Agrium giving exploration companies a reason to invest, the rail-belt could wind up in the same situation it was in a few years ago.
- State benefits first, new revenue from gas royalties, next we want the state of Alaska seen as a good place to do business, and the state wants to add value to it's natural resources. It's appropriate for the state to partner with companies like Agrium to attract private investment.

thank you

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