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To: Senate Finance Committee
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## Senators,

I'm a pretty simple person so I try to understand facts and numbers. Can anyone explain why the State of Alaska is providing tax credits to those companies exploring for natural gas in Cook Inlet? Today, the price of natural gas Outside is about \$2/unit whereas my latest Enstar bill shows that it is paying from \$6 to \$7 per unit. Why not just import LNG for SouthCentral Alaska?

This would be analogous for me buying Alaskan grown bananas that cost 3X the cost of imported bananas. To me, a no-brainer.

Please provide your rationale and numbers for this, which to me, is an irrational tax structure. Thank you for working this Sunday.

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