

February 26, 2020

Senator John Coghill State Capitol Room 103 Juneau AK, 99801

Dear Senator Coghill:

Chugach Electric Association supports SB 193. The bill will clarify the liability situation for vegetation that comes in contact with power lines.

While our primary concern is with vegetation outside the areas we have a right to clear, I think passage of the bill will also cause utilities to review their vegetation management plans to ensure clearing schedules that provide adequate clearance between trees and power lines within easements and rights of way.

Thank you for sponsoring SB 193.

Sincerely,

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Chief Executive Officer

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