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Senator Pete Kelly
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Senator Kelly:

Passage of Senate Bill 125 is crucial to the viability of the Interior Energy Project (IEP). Without the extension of bonding authority, the Interior Gas Utility (IGU) will be unable to fulfill its mission to provide utility gas service to the urbanized area of the interior, including the City of North Pole and Fairbanks.

Grants, SETS loans and bonding authority were part of the 'building blocks' presented to the interior as part of the IEP under Governor Parnell and it was emphasized that all components of the plan were needed to bring cheaper gas to the interior. Much work has been done to bring the project this far and we are several short months from accomplishing the project and beginning the expansion phases. Bonding authority is essential to the projects ability to raise the necessary funds to be able to complete the project and expand its reach to as many as possible.

Thank you for your support of the IEP.

Sincerely

Bryce J. Ward
Mayor, City of North Pole, Alaska