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The Honorable Neal Foster
Alaska House of Representatives
State Capitol Building, Room 410
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The Honorable Paul Seaton
Alaska House of Representatives
State Capitol Building, Room 505
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Representative Foster and Representative Seaton:

In response to questions posed by House Finance Committee members on January 29, 2018 the following information is provided:

➤ ***Provide an analysis of reduced service for AMHS from Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 forward (e.g., weeks of service to specific ports).***

The attached document titled "AMHS Port of Call Comparison" provides a breakdown of each AMHS port of call for FY13 through 17. The last columns on the right show the change in port calls between FY17 vs. FY13. The total system-wide reduction is 1,238 fewer port calls or an 18% reduction.

➤ ***How much does DOT&PF pay for internet access across the department? Breakdown as finely as possible.***

The Department of Administration, Office of Information Technology is collecting this information to provide a statewide response.

➤ ***How did DOT&PF follow up on the TSAIA space usage study?***

Since the 2009 Legislative Audit regarding capital project expenditures and lease space availability, Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport (TSAIA) continues to be self-sustaining and to optimize lease and concession revenue opportunities. Alaska International Airport System staff, as well as TSAIA staff, occupies most of the 3rd and 4th floor of the south terminal, having moved from the north terminal as C-concourse construction concluded and the north terminal has become more costly to maintain. TSAIA seeks to maximize leasing revenue while also accommodating the administrative needs of the enterprise airport system.

➤ ***Who owns the railroad building on TSAIA property and does the airport receive any revenue if the facility is not owned by DOT&PF?***

The Railroad owns the railroad building and TSAIA owns the tunnel. Ted Stevens International Airport has a 55 year lease with the railroad for the underlying land. The lease also grants the railroad certain easements for the rail-line and access areas. The railroad pays \$2,194.56 annually for the land rent with the contract providing for rent adjustments to fair market value after 24 years. The lease was signed in 2000 – so adjustments to fair market value could not happen before 2024. The airport does not incur any costs such as maintenance or utilities for the railroad depot.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Acting Deputy Commissioner, Amanda Holland at 465-3906.

Sincerely,


Marc Luiken
Commissioner

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