

HB 382 Support Letter

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Subject: HB 382 support creating Rail Belt Electrical System Authority

Dear Legislators,

I would like to voice my high level of support for HB 382. Alaska is far behind the times in regards to grid management and efficient power system management. We need a single system operator to provide for the most cost effective power production, transmission and reliability standards. The lower 48 has developed this system and it is providing for effective and cheaper power production across the grid. It is very inefficient to have 6 different entities managing power production, generation and transmission across the railbelt.

Without a single rail belt operator, each individual utility will do what is most efficient for their members in the short term, even if it is more costly overall to rail belt consumers overall.

Please support the creation of this Railbelt Electrical System Authority.

Thank you for your time and service.

Regards,

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