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Representative Mike Chenault

RE: House Bill 100

I am contacting you to ask for your support on HB 100.

With the State of Alaska's economic forecast and the declining oil prices we need to encourage more revenue generating industry in the state. We are in a unique situation on the peninsula and have a great opportunity to diversify state revenues so we are less dependent on oil prices. Reopening the Agrium Facility will have a huge positive economic impact for the Kenai Peninsula and as we know from previous experience that the economic impact travels throughout Alaska and provides many indirect jobs. Agrium supports small local businesses and that is the backbone of most communities. Opening Agrium will create an immediate local market for the gas producers to sell to which provides industry stability and encourages future process and exploration investment.

Passing HB 100 is a positive industry gesture and reopening Agrium will create good paying jobs for many years. This can provide jobs for oil field workers that are being laid off now. I am a lifelong Alaskan and have lived on the Kenai Peninsula since 1960. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

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