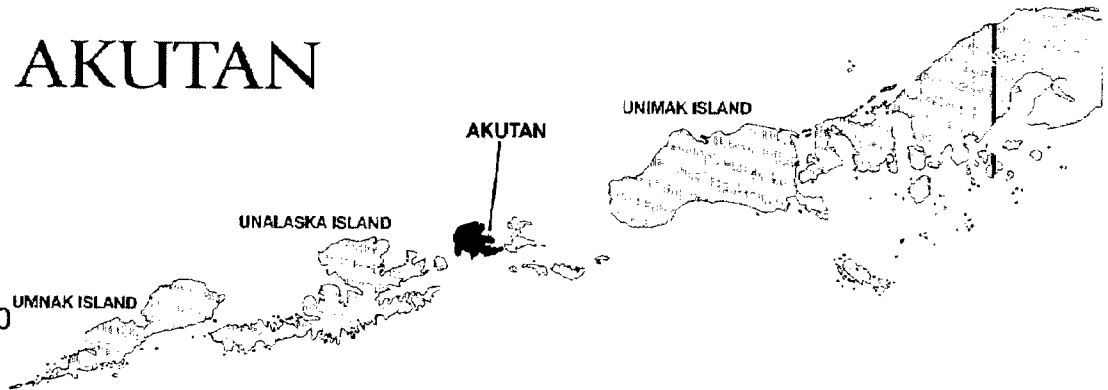


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The Honorable Lesil McGuire  
Senate Resources Co-Chair  
Alaska State Senate  
State Capitol Room 125  
Juneau AK 99801

Re: Support for Senate Bills 242 and 243

Dear Co-Chair McGuire:

I wish to add my support to your efforts to establish a geothermal resource development credit (CS for SB 242) and to remove royalty obligations for geothermal resources (SB 243).

The City of Akutan is currently pursuing the development of both geothermal and hydroelectric power to offset or eliminate the use of diesel fuel and dependence on State power cost equalization funding. These projects will require a combination of State, local and private funding to reduce the current cost of \$0.32 per kilowatt hour.

Providing a renewable energy tax credit and elimination of royalties will allow Akutan and many other communities to attract private funding, and to create public-private partnerships for renewable energy development. This is a total win-win for the State and prospective energy producers.

Thanks for your efforts to help create affordable renewable energy and sustainable communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Bereskin".

Joe Bereskin  
Mayor

cc: The Honorable Lyman Hoffman, Senator