



March 18, 2010

The Honorable Lyman Hoffman The Honorable Bert Stedman Co-Chairs, Senate Finance Committee Alaska State Legislature State Capitol Room 516 Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

RE:

SB 301, "An Act relating to the Power Project Fund"

Dear Senators Hoffman and Stedman:

On March 17, 2010, SB 301 (Companion Bill HB 411) passed the Senate Resources Committee and was referred to Senate Finance. This legislation is intended to allow the Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) to charge and collect fees relating to the Power Project Fund (PPF) and authorize AEA to sell and authorize the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority (AIDEA) to purchase loans of the PPF.

SB 301 allows AEA to charge and collect fees in administering the PPF, similar to the authority AEA has to charge and collect fees in administering the Bulk Fuel Revolving Loan Fund (BFRLF.) AEA charges an application fee and an origination fee for a loan of the BFRLF; AEA proposes to charge similar fees for a PPF loan application and loan.

SB 301 also authorizes AEA to sell and AIDEA to purchase certain loans from the PPF. The proposed sale of existing loans will recapitalize the PPF with approximately \$20.6 million. To maximize the price paid to AEA for the sale of the loans, the bill includes provisions for AEA to repurchase from AIDEA loans which later default. This repurchase provision substantially reduces financial risk to AIDEA and allows AIDEA to purchase the loans without significant discount.

We respectfully request you to schedule SB 301 for hearing in Senate Finance, and we urge favorable action on this bill. A copy of the Memorandum of Understanding between AIDEA and AEA, fiscal notes and sectional analysis are attached. We will be happy to meet with you and other members of the committee to provide any other information you may require. Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

ALASKA ENERGY AUTHORITY

Steve Haagenson Executive Director

Attachments (4)

cc: Ted Leonard, AIDEA Executive Director



SENATE BILL NO. 301

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 2/26/10

Referred: Resources, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

- "An Act relating to the power project fund; authorizing the Alaska Energy Authority to charge and collect fees relating to the power project fund; authorizing the Alaska Energy Authority to sell and authorizing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to purchase loans of the power project fund; providing legislative approval for the sale and purchase of loans of the power project fund under the memorandum of understanding dated February 17, 2010; and providing for an effective date."
- 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
- 8 * **Section 1.** AS 42.45.010(a) is amended to read:
- 9 (a) The power project fund is established as a separate fund. The fund shall be distinct from any other money or funds of the authority and includes only money appropriated by the legislature, proceeds from the sale of loans, and money deposited under (g) of this section.
- * Sec. 2. AS 42.45.010(d) is repealed and reenacted to read:

1	(d) The authority may adopt regulations to establish the standards, criteria, and
2	procedures for making loans under this section, including regulations to establish
3	reasonable fees for applications and loan origination, and charges for reimbursement
4	of the costs of analyzing the feasibility of a project.
5	* Sec. 3. AS 42.45.010 is amended by adding new subsections to read:
6	(k) The authority may collect the fees and charges established under (d) of this
7	section and shall deposit the money in the general fund.
8	(1) The authority may sell loans of the power project fund with legislative
9	approval. The authority may use money in the power project fund to repurchase loans
10	sold under this subsection which default. Money received by the authority from the
11	sale of loans under this subsection shall be deposited into the power project fund under
12	(a) of this section.
13	* Sec. 4. AS 44.88.080 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
14	(30) with legislative approval and notwithstanding AS 44.88.060, to
15	purchase from the Alaska Energy Authority as an investment of the revolving fund,
16	loans of the power project fund established under AS 42.45.010.
17	* Sec. 5. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
18	read:
19	LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FOR THE SALE AND PURCHASE OF CERTAIN
20	POWER PROJECT FUND LOANS. (a) The Alaska Energy Authority may sell, and the
21	Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority may purchase as an investment of the
22	revolving fund, loans of the power project fund, under the memorandum of understanding
23	dated February 17, 2010.
24	(b) Subsection (a) of this section is the legislative approval required by
25	AS 42.45.010(I), enacted by sec. 3 of this Act, for the Alaska Energy Authority to sell, and
26	required by AS 44.88.080(30), enacted by sec. 4 of this Act, for the Alaska Industrial
27	Development and Export Authority to purchase as an investment of the revolving fund, loans
28	of the power project fund.
29	(c) In this section, unless the context otherwise requires,
30	(1) "Alaska Energy Authority" means the authority created in AS 44.83.020;
31	(2) "Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority" means the

1	authority created in AS 44.88.020;
2	(3) "loans of the power project fund" means loans made by the Alaska Energy
3	Authority under AS 42.45.010, as amended by sec. 1 of this Act;
4	(4) "memorandum of understanding dated February 17, 2010" means the
5	agreement between the Alaska Energy Authority and the Alaska Industrial Development and
6	Export Authority dated February 17, 2010, under which the Alaska Energy Authority agrees
7	to sell, and the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority agrees to purchase,
8	certain loans of the power project fund:
9	(5) "power project fund" means the fund established under AS 42.45.010;
10	(6) "revolving fund" means the fund of the Alaska Industrial Development and
11	Export Authority established under AS 44.88.060.
12	* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

HB 411 and SB 301

An Act relating to the power project fund

Sectional Analysis

Section	Analysis
1	AS 42.45.010(a) is amended to allow proceeds from the sale of power project loans to be deposited into the power project fund (PPF).
2	AS 42.45.010(d) repeals and reenacts AEA authority to adopt regulations relating to the loan program by specifically allowing AEA to establish fees for applications and loan originations.
3	AS 42.45.010 is amended by adding new subsections –
	(k) to provide that fees collected will be deposited into the general fund.
	(I) provides authority to AEA to sell loans of the PPF with legislative approval, allows AEA to repurchase loans sold under this subsection which default, allows proceeds received to be deposited into the fund.
4	AS 44.88.080 is amended by adding new subsection (30) allowing AIDEA to purchase from AEA, as an investment of the revolving fund, PPF loans.
5	Uncodified law is amended by adding a new section providing for legislative approval for AEA to sell and AIDEA to purchase certain power project fund loans. This section references the 2/17/10 MOU between AIDEA and AEA that memorializes the proposed terms of the sale and purchase.
6	Provides for an immediate effective date

Prepared by AEA



Exhibit A

Alaska Energy Authority Power Project Loans as of 2/9/10

Payment Period	.	Law Mana	Outstanding		Next Due		Payment	Maturity
Annually	Loan #	Loan Name	Commitment	Current Balance	Date	Rate	Amount	Date
Aimuany	40901044	QINARMIUT CORP	\$0.00	\$84,841.03	10/1/10	0.00	¢12.266.17	10/1/1
		CORDOVA ELEC CO OP	\$0.00	\$742,857.13	6/11/10	0.00	\$12,266.17 \$28,571.43	10/1/1 6/11/3
		ST PAUL, CITY OF	\$0.00	\$97,306.42	10/1/10	3.00	\$8,614.18	10/1/2
		WRANGELL, CITY OF	\$0.00	\$78,553.50	7/1/10	2.00	\$27,238.92	7/1/1
		PELICAN UTILITY DISTRICT	\$0.00	\$15,161.70	7/1/10	5.61	\$2,191.43	7/1/1
		ST PAUL, CITY OF	\$0.00	\$1,260,000.00	10/1/10	0.00	\$90,000.00	10/1/2
Total for A	nnually			\$2,278,719.78			\$168,882.13	
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	40901009	SITKA, CITY OF	\$0.00	\$9,178,074.93	7/1/10	4.00	\$307,037.96	1/1/3
	40901049	GWITCHYAA ZHEE UTILITY	\$0.00	\$145,384.29	7/1/10	6.16	\$9,844.52	1/1/2
	40901051	AP&T TOK DOT LAKE	\$0.00	\$232,837.77	7/1/10	0.00	\$12,254.63	7/1/1
	40901052	AP&T (TETLIN)	\$0.00	\$172,614.56	7/1/10	4.20	\$11,121.71	7/1/1
		AP&T (PRINCE OF WALES PROJECT)	\$0.00	\$893,333.30	7/1/10	0.00	\$20,000.00	1/1/3
	40901060	ELFIN COVE, COMMUNITY OF	\$0.00	\$550,325.15	7/1/10	0.00	\$13,102.98	1/1/3
	40901061	SOUTHERN ENERGY	\$0.00	\$517,673.38	7/1/10	5.60	\$21,480.18	7/1/3
	40901062	YAKUTAT, CITY & BOROUGH OF	\$0.00	\$125,792.95	7/1/10	3.00	\$7,325.59	1/1/2
	40901065	AVEC NIGHTMUTE	\$0.00	\$205,283.22	7/1/10	0.00	\$10,804.38	7/1/1
	40901068	AP&T (SKAGWAY)DYEA LINE EXTENSION	\$0.00	\$114,153.48	7/1/10	2.00	\$6,052.95	7/1/2
	40901071	TUNTUTULIAK COMMUNITY SERVICES A	\$0.00	\$129,509.64	7/1/10	0.00	\$5,396.23	1/1/2
	40901072	GUSTAVUS ELECTRIC COMPANY	\$0.00	\$118,626.84	7/1/10	5.40	\$10,288.01	1/1/1
	40901076	NAPASKIAK ELEC UTILITY	\$0.00	\$6,304.97	7/1/10	5.80	\$1,669.45	1/1/1
	40901079	TDX SAND POINT GENERATING INC	\$0.00	\$203,984.12	7/1/10	4.00	\$10,109.49	1/1/2
	40901080	AK POWER CO-POW SWITHGEAR PROJ.	\$0.00	\$167,889.70	7/1/10	5.45	\$7,639.46	1/1/2
	40901081	AK POWER CO-SKAGWAY LINE EXT	\$0.00	\$187,093.47	7/1/10	5.45	\$6,660.67	1/1/37
	40901084	AK POWER CO-SOUTH FORK HYDRO	\$0.00	\$1,576,590.23	7/1/10	5.45	\$57,000.66	1/1/36
	40901085	ADAK, CITY OF (DOWNSIZE GEN)	\$0.00	\$85,577.88	7/1/10	5.39	\$6,648.22	1/1/18
	40901086	TDX NORTH SLOPE GENERATING INC	\$0.00	\$796,539.85	7/1/10	3.00	\$34,972.27	1/1/24
	40901090	TDX NORTH SLOPE GENERATING INC	\$0.00	\$746,334.45	7/1/10	5.15	\$35,901.66	1/1/25
	40901091	TDX SAND POINT GENERATING INC	\$0.00	\$120,251.45	7/1/10	5.11	\$5,454.25	7/1/26
	40901092	AK POWER CO	\$0.00	\$63,010.57	7/1/10	5.11	\$2,912.94	1/1/26
	40901093	PORT HEIDEN, CITY OF	\$0.00	\$38,730.34	7/1/10	5.09	\$2,403.24	7/1/20
4	40901094	YAKUTAT, CITY & BOROUGH OF	\$0.00	\$224,977.15	7/1/10	4.92	\$17,225.39	1/1/18
4	40901095	TDX NORTH SLOPEGENERATING, INC	\$0.00	\$1,193,582.30	7/1/10	4.92	\$53,356.61	7/1/26
4	40901096	CHENA POWER LLC	\$0.00	\$530,138.84	7/1/10	5.02	\$23,729.86	7/1/26
	40901097	CRAIG, CITY OF	\$0.00	\$482,653.23	7/1/10	5.05	\$19,908.31	1/1/29
4	40901100	GUSTAVUS ELECTRIC, INC	\$0.00	\$928,029.76	7/1/10	4.69	\$29,659.32	7/1/38
		CHIGNIK LAGOON POWER UTILITY	\$0.00	\$30,920.85	7/1/10	4.62	\$5,599.19	1/1/13
4	10901104	ALASKA WIND POWER, LLC	\$0.00	\$143,502.81	7/1/10	4.88	\$7,176.84	1/1/14
4	10901106	NUSHAGAK ELECTRIC & TELEPHONE COC	\$0.00	\$12,010.97	7/1/10	4.99	\$4,820.30	1/1/15
		TDX NORTH SLOPE GENERATING, INC.	\$0.00	\$2,500,000.00	7/1/10	5.46	\$104,892.75	1/1/30
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Prepared by AEA

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into this 17th day of February, 2010, between the Alaska Energy Authority ("AEA") and the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority ("AIDEA").

Recitals

- A. The power project fund ("PPF") is established as a separate fund of AEA under AS 42.45.010(a).
- B. AEA may make PPF loans for financing various activities related to the development of energy generation and transmission projects, bulk fuel storage facilities, waste energy, energy conservation, or alternative energy facilities, or may make loans to the bulk fuel revolving loan fund for the purposes described in AS 42.45.250(I).
- C. The Renewable Energy Grant Fund was established under AS 42.45.045 to finance certain energy projects in Alaska, with an emphasis on feasible energy projects that provide a cost benefit to Alaska ratepayers, and projects that will serve areas in which the average cost of energy exceeds the average cost of energy in other areas of the state.
- D. AEA makes PPF loans available to assist project developers meet their matching fund obligations under the Renewable Energy Fund Grant Recommendation Program. By doing so, AEA is able to leverage the funding available from each program to better promote the development of cost efficient, renewable energy projects for the benefit of Alaska ratepayers.
- E. The PPF currently has less than \$5,000,000 available for serving the purposes of the fund.
- F. AEA desires to sell, and AIDEA desires to purchase, the outstanding PPF loans identified in the attached Exhibit A.
- G. In this MOU, in order to maximize the amount AIDEA would be willing to pay for the PPF loans identified in Exhibit A and minimize financial risk to AIDEA from purchasing the PPF loans, AEA agrees to repurchase from AIDEA any outstanding loan if the borrower has a payment default after the sale.
- H. The outstanding PPF loans identified in Exhibit A have a combined current balance as of February 9, 2010, of \$24,700,452.23, and earn interest at annual rates that range from 0% to 6.16%.

- I. AEA and AIDEA agree that the outstanding loans identified in Exhibit A have a projected present value as of the closing date (expected to be in July 2010) of approximately \$20.6 million. This present value is the value of projected loan payments over the life of the outstanding loans, discounted at 6.02%, which was AIDEA's return on investments for the three year period ended September 30, 2009.
- J. AEA and AIDEA agree that the sale and purchase of the outstanding PPF loans identified in Exhibit A at the present value of the loans will both adequately capitalize the Power Project Fund and provide a reasonable investment for the revolving fund of AIDEA.
- K. The sale and purchase of the outstanding PPF loans identified in Exhibit A will require, among other things, the enactment of legislation approving the sale and purchase.
- L. This MOU is intended to set forth the principal terms and conditions under which AEA would sell, and AIDEA would purchase, the outstanding PPF loans identified in Exhibit A. The parties intend that this MOU be incorporated into legislation to be submitted to the Alaska State Legislature authorizing the sale and purchase of the loans.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for the mutual promises contained herein and for other consideration the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

- AEA agrees to sell, and AIDEA agrees to purchase, the outstanding PPF loans identified in Exhibit A on the closing date, expected to be in July 2010, for a purchase price equal to the present value as of the closing date of all PPF loans identified in Exhibit A.
- In this MOU, the "present value" of a PPF loan means the present value of all scheduled loan payments on the PPF loan over the entire remaining life of the PPF loan, using a discount rate of 6.02%.
- 3. Based upon the definition of "present value," AIDEA and AEA estimate that the purchase price of all PPF loans identified in Exhibit A on the closing date will be approximately \$20.6 million.
- 4. AEA shall repurchase from AIDEA any outstanding PPF loan if the borrower defaults on payment after the sale. The repurchase price shall equal the present value of the loan determined on the date of the payment default by the borrower, less any payments received by AIDEA after the payment default date. AIDEA may exercise the right to have AEA repurchase a PPF loan by sending notice to AEA of the payment default.

AEA shall pay AIDEA within 30 days of the notice of payment default from unencumbered and uncommitted funds in the Power Project Fund. If the PPF has an inadequate amount of unencumbered and uncommitted funds to repurchase the PPF loan from AIDEA within 30 days of the notice of default, AEA shall make payments to AIDEA with unencumbered and uncommitted funds as they become available in the Power Project Fund (through repayments from other PPF loans or otherwise), with interest on the unpaid balance at the annual rate of four percent (4%) from the date 30 days after the notice of default. Nothing in this paragraph precludes AIDEA from rescinding a notice of default.

WHEREFORE the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

Alaska Energy Authority

by: Steve Haagenson

Executive Director

Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority

by: Ted Leonard

Executive Director

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ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

AEA and AIDEA have developed a memorandum of understanding outlining the terms of the sale. AIDEA will purchase outstanding loans at a discount rate equivalent to 6.02%, its return on investments for the 3-year period ended September 30, 2009. To maximize the price paid, AEA agrees to repurchase from AIDEA loans which later default. Estimated sale proceeds are approximately \$20.6 million. The closing date of the sale is anticipated to be in July 2010.

No additional operating costs are anticipated with this legislation.

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Estimate of a	ny current year (FY201	u) cost:									
POSITIONS											
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ANALYSIS:	(Attach a separate page	if necessary)									
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This bill auth	orizes the Alaska Ene	rav Authority (AEA) to charge an	d collect fee	s relating to	the nower	aroject fund	(DDE)			
Currently, Af	EA only collects funds	from applicants rel	ating to the dir	ect cost of a	enalyzing th	e feasibility	of a project	All foor			
would be de	posited into the genera	al fund: however. A	EA will reques	t an annual	annronriatio	on to have c	oi a project. Ollected fee	All lees			
deposited int	o the PPF. A similar	annual appropriation	n is requested	for fees col	lected from	hulk fuel los	ane ** Fetin	natod			
fees are inde	terminate until regula	tions are adopted:	however as a	reference A	AFA charge	s a \$25 anni	lication foo s	nateu			
origination fe	e for loans from the B	ulk Fuel Revolving	Loan Fund.	7070701100, 7	ver vonarge.	s a was app	ication lee a	iiu a .5/6			
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In addition to (continued or	authorizing the collect page 2)	tion of fees, this bi	ll allows AEA to	o sell and th	e Alaska In	dustrial Dev	elopment				
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and Export Authority to make a one-time purchase of substantially all loans from the PPF loan portfolio. AEA and AIDEA have developed a memorandum of understanding outlining the terms of the sale. AIDEA will purchase outstanding loans at a discount rate equivalent to 6.02%, its return on investments for the 3-year period ended September 30, 2009. To maximize the price paid, AEA agrees to repurchase from AIDEA loans which later default. Estimated sale proceeds are approximately \$20.6 million. The closing date of the sale is anticipated to be in July 2010.

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