



**GENERAL  
TEAMSTERS  
LOCAL 959  
STATE OF ALASKA**

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The Honorable Allen Austerman  
The Honorable Bill Stoltze  
Co-Chairs House Finance  
Capitol Room(s) 515 / 505  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: SB 23 LNG Project Fairbanks

Dear Representative(s) Austerman and Stoltze:

On behalf of the Teamster members that we represent not only in Fairbanks and the interior, but statewide, I ask that you and your committee members support and move forward SB 23, which authorizes AIDEA to provide financing and bonds for a much needed natural gas production and distribution system within the Fairbanks North Star Borough. I personally have lived in Alaska for 38 years so I am familiar with the high cost and the limited availability of gas in interior Alaska.

I also am a member of the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce and know well the challenged economic growth we continue to experience due in large part to the high cost of energy. I am also aware of the impact the energy costs are having on our military bases in the interior. We represent members that could find themselves without employment as a direct result of the energy cost.

In addition to the above, the passage of SB 23 will create a much needed infrastructure and we believe work opportunities for our members, directly and indirectly by bringing LNG to the Fairbanks community. While it may be only a temporary solution, it is a solution that is much needed for the second largest community in our state.

Help us help our community and the state by supporting and passing SB 23 from your committee.

Your time and effort regarding this very important matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Rick Boyles  
Secretary-Treasurer

c: Representatives Costello , Edgmon, Holmes, Munoz, Thompson, T. Wilson, Gara,  
Guttenberg