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Dear Senate Finance Committee Members:

The Kenai River Watershed Foundation, the Friends of Cooper Landing, and the Quartz Creek Homeowners' Association are very strongly opposed to the Alaska Energy Authority Renewable Energy Fund \$358,000 grant recommended for Kenai Hydro LLC, and the proposed Grant Lake and Creek Hydroelectric Project near Moose Pass.

This invasive proposal has repeatedly been discredited, but continues to threaten the integrity of the Kenai River and its Watershed. AEA gave this grant a low priority, of only number 38 out of 40. The Kenai River is one of Southcentral Alaska's most valuable assets. Placing its ecology at risk is unacceptable. Irreversibly industrializing its watershed is also unacceptable.

I regret being unable to testify in person. Please do not support this grant.

Thank you,

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