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March 21, 2016

The Honorable Bert Stedman Alaska State Senate 120 4th Street, State Capitol, Room 3 Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Senator Stedman:

I am writing in support for Senate Bill No. 163, pertaining to the nomination and designation of state water as outstanding national resource water.

As a long-time business owner in Southeast Alaska, I share the concerns expressed by the Alaska Miners' Association (AMA), Sealaska Corporation, the Southeast Conference and many others that any designation of waterbodies in Alaska as Tier 3 should be made only by the Alaska State Legislature.

I am also in agreement with the so-called "Key Principles" submitted by the AMA to the Senate Resources Committee suggesting a number of changes to the bill as submitted by the governor.

I urge your support for this version of the bill. Thank you for your efforts to protect Alaska's ability to grow the economy and develop its natural resources. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Singerely

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cc. Senator Cathy Giessel, Senate Resources Committee Chair

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