

March 5, 2015

Representatives Nageak & Talerico
Co-Chairs, Resource Committee
Alaska State House of Representatives

Re: House Bill 105, an Act Relating to AIDEA and in Support of the Interior Energy Project

Dear Sirs,

As President and CEO of the Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation (FEDC), and on behalf of the FEDC Board of Directors, I write to express FEDC's support for House Bill 105, an Act relating to the programs and bonds of the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority and advancing the Interior Energy Project (IEP).

Timely completion of the Interior Energy Project is critical to the success of the Interior region and, as the IEP serves as a model for State participation in bringing the benefits of affordable energy to regions beyond South Central, is critical to the future health of Alaska as a whole.

FEDC supports HB 105 in its current form. Therefore, I ask that you expeditiously move it from committee with a recommendation of "do pass" and, thereafter, support HB 105 through the remainder of the legislative process with votes of approval.

Respectfully,



Jim Dodson
President & CEO
Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation