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To Whom it May Concern:

Ahtna, Incorporated is writing to express full support for the Alaska Road Belt Electrical Transmission Line proposed project investigation, being submitted to the State and Federal Government for feasibility, impact, and funding. The project would create High Voltage lines from Sutton to Glennallen and then to Delta Junction, with sub-transmission lines extending from Gakona to Tok and Upper Tanana River Region.

The lower cost of reliable energy has been a priority for the residents of the Ahtna Region for numerous years and has been recognized as the number one priority in multiple energy plans in our Region. In addition, this project will support military installations in the State of Alaska, seeking lower cost, reliable, redundant, and renewable energy for the defense of Alaska and the United States.

This project will be a major economic development stimulus for business growth and community development through cheaper and more reliable energy that will increase new development, business retention and expansion.

We highly recommend this project and request any assistance available be marshalled to support the effort. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Bovee".

Joe Bovee  
Vice President Lands and Natural Resources