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Dear Alaska State Rep. Kevin McCabe, District 30,

Thanks for your comments on Amy Demboski radio show today. I hope that you had a safe return trip back to Alaska.

Rep. McCabe, as an Alaskan, we cannot pass up this opportunity to provide future transportation to Alaska.

The completion of the Railroad to Point Mackenzie is much needed to open up Mat-Su as well as other state resources to the world. Alaska is resource rich but very poor in development of those resources.

It will open up this area for Light Industrial Manufacturing such as Pharmaceutical Manufacturing, associated with the Alaska 936 Project, etc.

We have already had a business at Port Mackenzie. We already have the Right-of-Way and all permits. We already have 3-Phase power lines to Point Mackenzie. We just need the railroad to Point Mackenzie. This with the new business and employment will help the state become less dependent on Oil.

Rep. McCabe, U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan finally got President Trump to sign the needed documents for a connection between Alaska State Railroad and Canadian National Railway.

This connection to the Canadian Railroad will be a second life line to the world. We cannot afford to only have the Port of Anchorage as the only way to receive and ship bulk item, which in turn most likely will reduce the cost of doing business, and reduced cost to the consumers, us Alaskans.

Blessing, Fr Randy Hillman Wasilla Alaska Area