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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

Relating to lighterage rate increases.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

WHEREAS Arctic Lighterage Company, providing lighterage service between ocean carriers and the beach in Nome and Kotzebue and in the rivers of northwest Alaska, has recently filed with the Federal Maritime Commission and the Interstate Commerce Commission a new tariff with increases in many rates of approximately 100 per cent; and

WHEREAS rate increases of such magnitude are not justified by increases in costs and would be contrary to the public interest; and

WHEREAS there is no necessity to foreshorten the time in which interested parties may respond because the service to which the increased rates would apply does not begin until June;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Senate respectfully requests the Federal Maritime Commission to deny permission to Arctic Lighterage Company to put the rate increases filed in FMC F#1 into effect on just one day's notice, and to suspend those rate increases; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Interstate Commerce Commission vacate the permission it granted Alaska Lighterage to put its increased rates into effect on just one day's notice to allow time for affected parties to respond to the increased rates; and to suspend the increased rates filed in ICC #1.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Federal

Maritime Commission; the Interstate Commerce Commission; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.