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SPONSOR STATEMENT SENATE BILL 95

"An Act making an appropriation for a grant to Arctic Power to promote the opening of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and development; and providing for an effective date."

There are numerous misconceptions about ANWR and many Americans do not understand the facts about opening the refuge. We need to show them that the resources in ANWR can be safely extracted without destroying the ecosystem. It is crucial that people across the U.S. know about the technological advances that allow development to be done in a much less intrusive manner.

The vast majority of Alaskans want ANWR open for development. With the election of President Bush, the political climate is the best it's ever been. Now is the time to push to make this happen.

- The current energy situation in the lower 48 shows the necessity for the nation to have access to more resources. Currently more than 55% of the oil used in the U.S. comes from foreign countries.
- The state is looking for alternative revenue sources. The revenues from bids, leases, and royalties alone could bring hundreds of millions of dollars into the State's general fund as well as the Permanent Fund.
- Alaskans need jobs. It is estimated that development on the coastal plain would result in an additional 250,000 to 735,000 jobs across the state.
- Less than 10% of the refuge is being considered for development; the vast majority would remain untouched.

Senate Bill 95 grants Arctic Power \$1.5 million to be used in educating people about opening ANWR to responsible oil development. Arctic Power is a non-profit citizen's organization made up of individuals from all walks of life. Its membership includes miners, fishermen, loggers, tourism operators, transportation businesses, labor unions, teachers, attorneys, private businesses, Native corporations, non-profit organizations and elected officials. A statewide board consisting from representing all regions of the state, from Barrow to Ketchikan, oversees Arctic Power's activities. This organization is committed to securing congressional and presidential approval of opening ANWR. It has gained the endorsement of the Alaska congressional delegation, Governor Knowles and the Legislature and works closely with their offices.

Who better to provide this education than Alaskans who have joined together towards this common goal? We need to get the message out, and get it out correctly, that opening ANWR is of great benefit to Alaskans and the entire country and that it can be done in an environmentally friendly manner.

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ARCTIC POWER

Arctic Power is a grassroots, non-profit citizen's organization with 10,000 members founded in April of 1992 to expedite congressional and presidential approval of oil exploration and production within the Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Arctic Power is based in Anchorage, AK.

Arctic Power membership spans the economic spectrum - including miners, fishermen, loggers, tourism operators, transportation businesses, labor unions, banks, teachers, the legal community, retail firms, service industries, non-profit organizations, Alaska Native corporations, local elected officials, and many others.

A statewide board oversees the activities of Arctic Power and includes representatives from Barrow to Ketchikan - all regions of the state are represented.

The Alaska congressional delegation, Alaska Gov. Tony Knowles, and the 20th Alaska Legislature has endorsed Arctic Power and works closely with the board and staff of the organization. Arctic Power and the State of Alaska work together in their congressional outreach efforts in Washington, D.C., and across the nation

The organization is committed to securing congressional and presidential approval of legislation opening the Coastal Plain of ANWR to responsible oil development.

Interest groups represented on the Arctic Power board and through its membership are:

- Alaska Support Industry Alliance
- Alaska State Chamber of Commerce
- Resource Development Council
- Alaska Trucking Association
- Alaska Oil & Gas Association
- Anchorage Chamber of Commerce
- Alaska Miner's Association

- Alaska Forest Association.

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WHY

TOP 10 REASONS TO SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT IN ANWR

1. **Only 8% of ANWR Would Be Considered for Exploration** Only the 1.5 million acre or 8% on the northern coast of ANWR is being considered for development. The remaining 17.5 million acres or 92% of ANWR will remain permanently closed to any kind of development. If oil is discovered, less than 2000 acres of the over 1.5 million acres of the Coastal Plain would be affected.

2. **Revenues to the State and Federal Treasury** Federal revenues would be enhanced by billions of dollars from bonus bids, lease rentals, royalties and taxes. Estimates in 1995 on bonus bids alone were \$2.6 billion.

3. **Jobs To Be Created** Between 250,000 and 735,000 jobs are estimated to be created by development of the Coastal Plain.

4. **Economic Impact** Between 1980 and 1994, North Slope oil field development and production activity contributed over \$50 billion to the nations economy, directly impacting each state in the union.

5. **America's Best Chance for a Major Discovery** The Coastal Plain of ANWR is America's best possibility for the discovery of another giant "Prudhoe Bay-sized" oil and gas discovery in North America. U.S. Department of Interior estimates range from 9 to 16 billion barrels of recoverable oil.

6. **North Slope Production in Decline** The North Slope oil fields currently provide the U.S. with nearly 25% of it's domestic production and since 1988 this production has been on the decline. Peak production was reached in 1980 of two million barrels a day, but has been declining to a current level of 1.4 million barrels a day.

7. **Imported Oil too Costly** The U.S. imports over 55% of the nation's needed petroleum. These oil imports cost more than \$55.1 billion a year (this figure does not include the military costs of protecting that imported supply). These figures are rising and could exceed 65% by the year 2005.

8. **No Negative Impact on Animals** Oil and gas development and wildlife are successfully coexisting in Alaska's arctic. For example, the Central Arctic Caribou Herd (CACH) at Prudhoe Bay has grown from 3,000 to as high as 23,400 during the last 20 years of operation. In 1995, the Central Arctic Caribou Herd size was estimated to be 18,000 animals.

9. **Arctic Technology** Advanced technology has greatly reduced the "footprint" of arctic oil development. If Prudhoe Bay were built today, the footprint would be 1,526 acres, 64% smaller.

10. **Alaskans Support** More than 75% of Alaskans favor exploration and production in ANWR. The Inupiat Eskimos who live in and near ANWR support onshore oil development on the Coastal Plain.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 20, 2001

TO: Senator Dave Donley, Co-Chair
Senator Pete Kelly, Co-Chair
Senate Finance Committee

FROM: Cam Toohey, Arctic Power 

RE: FY2001 ANWR Supplemental Education Funding Request

I appreciate the opportunity to respond to several requests for information resulting from this morning's Senate Finance Committee hearing on Senate Bill 95, the Arctic Power supplemental appropriation for ANWR education. I was asked to provide information on the ANWR campaign budget and program detail, private/public match, lapse date, Arctic Power Board of Directors, and prior year expenditure reports.

Budget & Programs

The ANWR budget that Arctic Power is requesting state funding for was designed in consultation with our Congressional Delegation, Governor's Office and Legislature. The total campaign budget is \$4 million:

Private funds		\$2 million
State funds	- FY2001 supplemental	\$1.5 million
	- FY 99, 00 & 01 appropriations	\$500,000
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Total Open ANWR Campaign		\$4 million

Funds will be used to expand several traditional Arctic Power programs to meet the new national elevated interest in ANWR development. These traditional programs include:

Capitol Hill Education – Hard and continuous lobbying of members of Congress by Alaskans. Coordinate delegations of Alaskans in scheduling and facilitating these congressional meetings.

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Target States Education Program – Delegations of Alaskans and other ANWR supporters visit states to provide information on ANWR development and why it is important to the nation and their state.

ANWR Tours – “Seeing is believing” – Three day Alaska tours to show members of Congress, media, and other national opinion leaders the Alaska oil exploration, production and transportation system. Participants visit Valdez, Prudhoe Bay, Barrow and Kaktovik.

Media – Respond to media requests for information, press packet distribution, and ad placement and design. Medium could include print, radio and TV.

Union Outreach - Secure and maintain national and state level union support for opening ANWR

Communication Material – Create, print and distribute ANWR informational documents nationwide. Maintain ANWR.org website, providing continuous updating to meet growing demand, averaging 400,000 hits monthly.

Private Match

State funds, as in years past, will be matched with private funds. Arctic Power will raise the private funds through fundraisers, direct mail requests to our 9,000 members and other means. The Arctic Power Board is committed and confident that the needed private match can and will be raised in a timely manner. Senators Stevens and Murkowski, along with Congressman Young are co-hosting a fundraising event for Arctic Power this evening to begin this process.

Lapse Date

The state funds are required immediately to respond to the growing national interest in solving our energy problems and the opportunity to promote ANWR as a possible solution. State capital appropriations to Arctic Power have had historically a five-year lapse date.

Arctic Power Board of Directors/Prior Year Expenditure List

I have attached both a list of Arctic Power's Board of Directors and expenditure history from prior year appropriations.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Cam Toohey at 907-274-2697.



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Frank Dillon	Alaska Trucking Association	1st vice-chairman
Wilbur O'Brien	ERA Aviation	2nd vice-chairman
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Alma Uppicksoun	Arctic Slope Regional Corporation	

Board of Directors

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Mayor George Ahmangak	North Slope Borough
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Judy Salo	
Cindy Schebler	Personnel Plus, Inc.
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Tara Sweeney	Arctic Slope Regional Corporation
Curtis Thayer	Enstar Natural Gas Company

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Jim Campbell
Steve McAlpine

Office of Steve McAlpine

Grant Year	Approp.	DC/Ed.	Target St.	Tours	Union	Media	Documents	Misc.	Available	Total
FY 96		129,000	86,500	221,000						436,500
FY 97	250,000	89,500	46,500	89,000				25,000		250,000
FY 98	550,000	281,000	101,000	42,000	66,000		58,500	1,500		550,000
FY 99	225,000	115,000	20,000		30,000		40,000		20,000	225,000
FY 00	250,000		28,500	16,000		5,000	5,000		195,500	250,000
FY 01	310,000							60,000	250,000	310,000
sub-totals									465,500	



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 13, 2001

TO: Honorable Rick Halford, President of Senate
Honorable Brian Porter, Speaker of the House

FROM: Jerome Selby, Co-Chair, Arctic Power
Mano Frey, Co-Chair, Arctic Power

RE: FY2001 ANWR Supplemental Education Funding
Request

Arctic Power is requesting \$1,500,000 in state funding as soon as possible for immediate efforts to open the Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and development. Funds are needed to support the open ANWR legislation campaign currently underway in Congress.

As you know, nationally, energy is a hot topic of discussion in venues ranging from network television news to the kitchen table. Fuel supply shortages, skyrocketing prices and rolling blackouts have all created an environment ripe to promote domestic, clean sources of reliable energy. Federal representatives are being called upon to address the situation and legislation is being crafted to increase supply, reduce consumption and develop alternative sources. It is critical that ANWR be part of the national energy debate and plan. The time is now to pass open ANWR legislation to meet this national demand.

Arctic Power is in the process of raising private funds to match the State of Alaska grants.

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As in years past, the state funds will be used to conduct ANWR tours, continue DC education, produce communication materials, maintain union outreach, and respond to media campaigns.

As always, we are witnessing a very aggressive and well organized effort from a large group of national environmental organizations including the Sierra Club, Nature Resources Defense Council and Alaska Wilderness League. These organizations are conducting multi-million dollar programs with professional media and lobbying companies all in an effort to stop ANWR development and support wilderness legislation.

Immediate action is required if Alaska is going to take full advantage of the opportunity. Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Cam Toohey at 907-274-2697.

Meeting Scheduled

Meeting Information	
Meeting ID	7346
Meeting Telephone Number	
Meeting Name	SFIN
Meeting Password	Not Required
Meeting Date	Feb 20, 2001
Scheduled Start Time	9:00 AM
Scheduled End Time	11:00 AM
Scheduled Length (minutes)	180
Number of Locations	2
Meeting Frequency	Once
# of Occurrences	1
Chair Site	Juneau
Meeting Room	CAP 532
Contact Person Phone #	James/3892
Testify (Y/N)/ Time / Invitation	I

Send mail to [Peg Warren](#) for more information about this meeting.

Using the buttons below, you may change meeting details, cancel the meeting, or add attachments.

Meeting Description

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 Direct Dial to Cam Toohey at 274-2697

Meeting Participants