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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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COMMITTEE

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Finance Committee considered

SENATE BILL NO. 157

SB 157 REG. COST CHARGES: UTILITIES/PIPELINES

"An Act relating to the maximum annual regulatory cost charge collected from certain regulated public utilities and pipeline carriers; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS SB 157 (FIN)
- adopt previous _____ CS _____ (_____)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt Letter of Intent by _____ Committee
- further referral to _____ Committee

CS Senate Bill:
 Same Title
 New Title

SCS House Bill:
 Same Title
 Technical Title Change
 New Title w/ SCR # _____

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Ind.	Zero	FN#

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Ind.	Zero	FN#
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APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
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STATE OF ALASKA
2005 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 2
Bill Version: SB 157
(S) Publish Date: 4/15/05

Revision Date: Corrected 4/7/05 Dept. Affected: Commerce
Title: Regulatory Cost Charges: RDU: Regulatory Commission of Alaska (399)
Utilities and Pipelines Component: Regulatory Commission of Alaska
Sponsor: Rules by Request of the Governor
Requester: Senate Labor & Commerce Component No.: 2417

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual	1,300.0	1,300.0	1,300.0			
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	1,300.0	1,300.0	1,300.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES (1141)	1,300.0	1,300.0	1,300.0			
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
1141 RCA Receipts	1,300.0	1,300.0	1,300.0			
TOTAL	1,300.0	1,300.0	1,300.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2005) cost: 0.0
Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2006 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This statutory revision allows for a three year increase in the Regulatory Cost Charge (RCC) rate from .007 to .009 to fund several initiatives that will improve the agency's ability to mitigate regulatory lag, reduce utilities' filing costs and increase transparency in agency activities. It is anticipated that this legislation will increase utility costs by approximately 6 cents per month or 72 cents per year, per regulated utility service. If a consumer uses three regulated services, (generally telephone, gas and electric) the approximate cumulative impact would be \$2.16 per year or \$6.48 for the three year period.

Prepared by: Kate Giard, Chair Phone: 907 276 6222
Division: Regulatory Commission of Alaska Date/Time: 4/7/05 10:53 AM
Approved by: Edgar Blatchford, Commissioner Date: 4/7/2005
Agency: Commerce, Community, and Economic Development



Alaska State Senate

Senate Finance Committee

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no changes
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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 157(FIN)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

A BILL
FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the maximum annual regulatory cost charge collected from certain
2 regulated public utilities and pipeline carriers and to public utility liability associated
3 with operating certain transmission lines under a Regulatory Commission of Alaska
4 order for joint use and interconnection; and providing for an effective date."

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

6 * Section 1. AS 42.05.254(a) is amended to read:

7 (a) A regulated public utility operating in the state shall pay to the commission
8 an annual regulatory cost charge in an amount not to exceed the maximum percentage
9 of adjusted gross revenue that applies to the utility sector of which the utility is a part.
10 The regulatory cost charges that the commission expects to collect from all regulated
11 utilities may not exceed the sum of the following percentages of the total adjusted
12 gross revenue of all regulated public utilities derived from operations in the state: (1)
13 not more than .9 [.7] percent to fund the operations of the commission, and (2) not
14 more than .17 percent to fund operations of the public advocacy function under

1 AS 42.04.070(c) and AS 44.23.020(e) within the Department of Law. An exempt
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13 utility shall pay the actual cost of services provided to it by the commission.

14 * **Sec. 3.** AS 42.05.311 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

15 (d) A public utility that is ordered by the commission to provide joint use and
16 interconnection of a transmission line associated with the continued operation of a
17 transmission line owned by the Alaska Energy Authority is not liable for any damages
18 to the extent that those damages are caused by the operation of a transmission line by
19 the public utility under a commission order requiring the operation of a transmission
20 line at a voltage that

21 (1) exceeds the original design standards of the transmission line; or

22 (2) violates the applicable standards of the National Electrical Safety

23 Code.

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25 (a) A pipeline carrier operating in the state shall pay to the commission an
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27 percentages of gross revenue derived from operations in the state: (1) not more than .9
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12 read:

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15 line operated under an order of the commission as described in that subsection that is dated on
16 or after December 1, 2004.

17 * Sec. 7. Sections 1 and 4 of this Act take effect July 1, 2005.

18 * Sec. 8. Sections 2 and 5 of this Act take effect July 1, 2008.

19 * Sec. 9. Section 3 and 6 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
5/6/2005 COMMITTEE ACTION

Bill Number	SB 157		
Amendment	CS "4"		
Motion	adopt		
<u>Motion by</u>	Stedman		
<u>Objection by</u>	Green		
Removed			
Second Objection by			
<u>Committee Member</u>	Y	<u>Vote</u>	N
Senator Hoffman			
Senator Olson			
Senator Stedman			
Senator Bunde			
Senator Dyson			
Co-Chair Wilken			
Co-Chair Green			
<u>Tally</u>			
Yea			
Nay			
Absent			
MOTION			

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16 transmission line if that transmission line is being operated under an order of the
17 commission and the order requires the public utility to

18 (1) grant joint use and interconnection to provide for the continued
19 operation of a transmission line owned by the Alaska Energy Authority; and

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COMMITTEE
Amendment Number: ~~1~~
Bill Number: SB 157
Sponsor: Green Date: 5/5/05
Logged In By: Mindy 5/5/2005
(4:48 P.M.)

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE
TO: SB 157

BY GREEN

1 Page 1, line 2, following "carriers;":

2 Insert "relating to public utility liability associated with operating certain
3 transmission lines under a Regulatory Commission of Alaska order for joint use and
4 interconnection;"

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6 Page 2, following line 11:

7 Insert a new bill section to read:

8 **** Sec. 3.** AS 42.05.311 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

9 (d) A public utility ordered to grant joint use and interconnection of a
10 transmission line to provide for the continued operation of a transmission line owned by
11 the Alaska Energy Authority is not liable at law or equity for any injury or damage to a
12 person or property to the extent that the injury or damage to person or property is caused
13 by the operation of the transmission line, under commission order, if the operation either
14 is at a voltage that is inconsistent with the original design standards of the transmission
15 line or constitutes a violation of the applicable standards of the National Electrical Safety
16 Code for such a transmission line."

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18 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

19

20 Page 2, following line 29:

21 Insert new bill sections to read:

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2 read:

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4 apply retroactively to any order of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska granting joint use and
5 interconnection of a transmission line entered on or after December 1, 2004.

6 * Sec. 7. Sections 3 and 6 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c)."

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8 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

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10 Page 2, line 30:

11 Delete "3"

12 Insert "4"

13

14 Page 2, line 31:

15 Delete "4"

16 Insert "5"

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

April 19, 2005

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The Honorable Lyda Green, Co-Chair
The Honorable Gary Wilken, Co-Chair
Senate Finance Committee
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, MS 3100
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

APR 21 2005

RE: SB 157 - An Act relating to the maximum annual regulatory cost charge collected from certain regulated public utilities and pipeline carriers; and providing for an effective date

Dear Co-Chair Green and Co-Chair Wilken:

On March 31, 2005, SB 157 (Companion Bill HB 243) was introduced by the Senate House Rules committee on behalf of the Governor and referred to the Senate Labor & Commerce committee. The bill has been heard and moved by the Senate Labor & Commerce committee and is now referred to your committee. The purpose of this legislation is to increase the regulatory cost charge (RCC) rate from 0.7 percent to 0.9 percent for three years to fund efforts to improve the RCA's timeliness, accountability and regulatory transparency.

In July 2004, the Commission initiated a comprehensive effort to understand and respond to concerns about aspects of its regulatory operations. Over the past several years, the Commission has received comment that its decisions took too long, that the cost of regulation was burdensome and that utilities could not track the progress of their cases through the RCA's adjudicatory process. While some of these issues naturally exist within the regulatory paradigm, I strongly believe the process itself is within our control and we can improve it.

In the last few months, the Commission significantly reorganized its structure. We visited with CEOs of utilities and pipelines. We opened our 2005 regulations schedule for public and industry comment, a first, I believe. We also proposed to purchase and implement data systems designed to achieve the results sought by regulated entities including (1) a system to track cases, staff resources and timelines; (2) a system to receive, store and retrieve data filed with the RCA electronically; and (3) a web site allowing citizens and regulated entities to electronically track regulatory matters.



Last winter, the Commission held public meetings, taking testimony from interested parties as to whether an increase in the RCC should be used to fund these data systems. An advisory group volunteered to work with us, reviewing the overall scope of the project and budget. Written and oral testimony from regulated utilities and pipelines supported both implementing the data systems and the RCC funding mechanism.

Regulated entities generally pass the RCC cost to consumers. Having concern for consumer impact, we calculated that this legislation would increase utility costs for consumers by an average of six (6) cents per month, per regulated service. If a consumer uses three regulated services, (generally telephone, gas and electric) the cumulative impact would be \$2.16 per year or \$6.48 for the three years this legislation is in effect.

We respectfully request that you schedule SB 157 for hearing in your committee, and we urge favorable action on this bill. Attached is the related fiscal note describing impact of the increased RCC. I would be pleased to meet with you and committee members, if you wish, to provide any other information you may require.

Thank you for considering this request, which we believe is both in the best interest of and supported by industry.

Sincerely,

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA


Kate Giard
Chairman

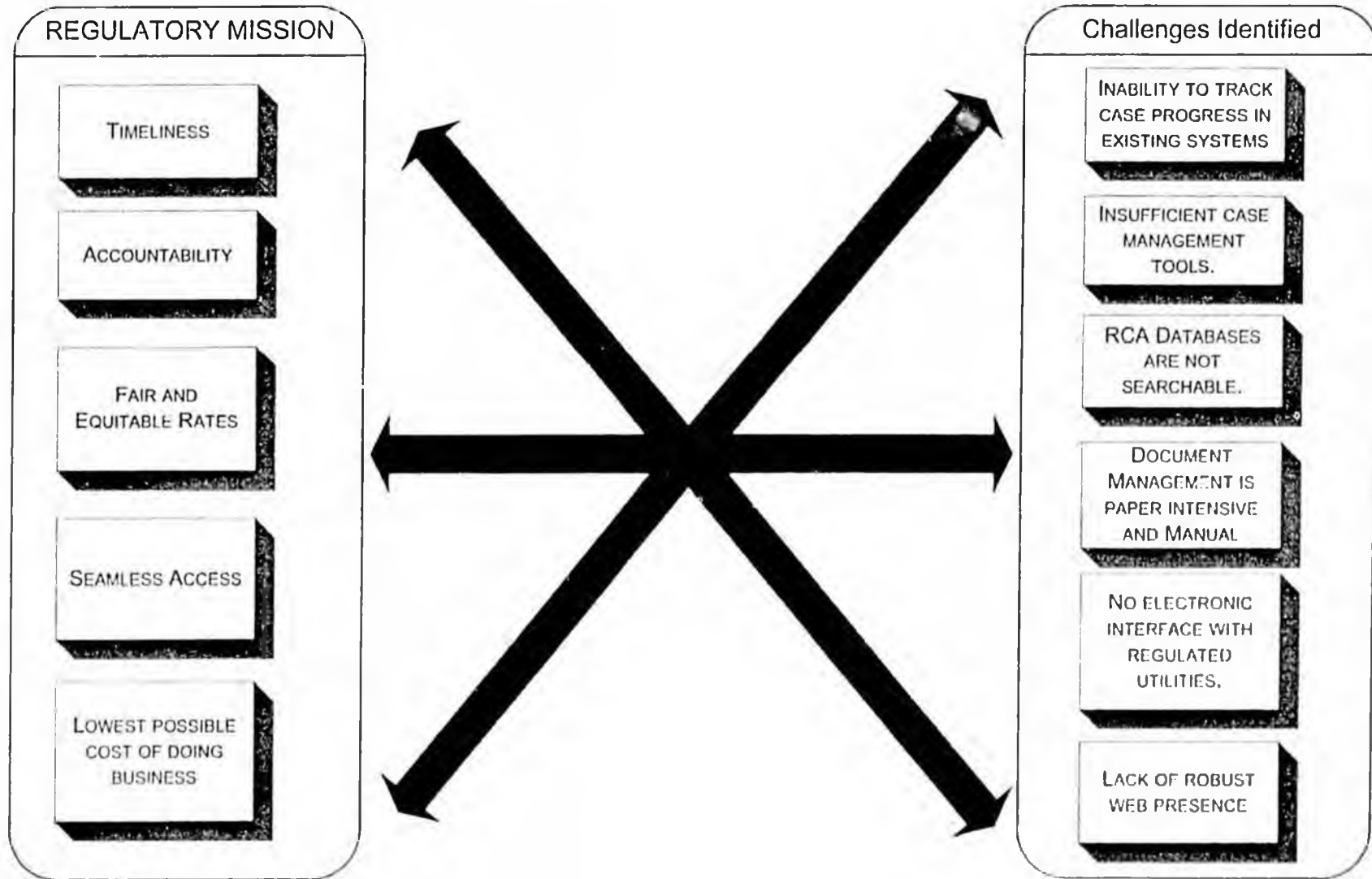
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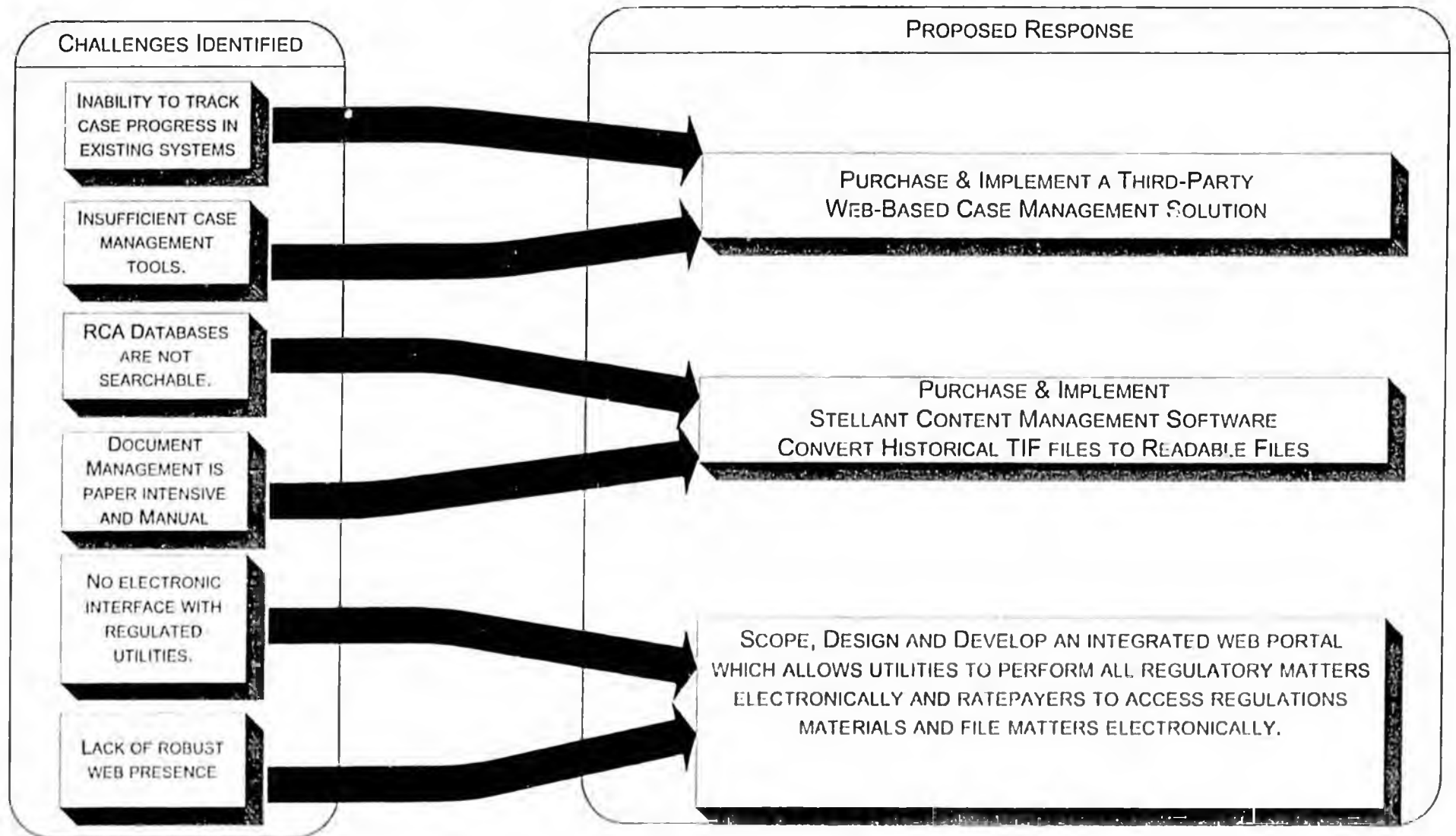
**REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA
2005 IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES
STATUTE REVISION: SB 157/HB 243
TEMPORARY RCC FUNDING INCREASE FOR
INFORMATION SYSTEMS
LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION PACKET**

4/25/2005

THE RCA HAS HAD CHALLENGES EFFECTIVELY ACHIEVING ITS REGULATORY MISSION.



→ IN THE FALL, 2004 , THE RCA HELD UTILITY & PIPELINE MEETINGS WITH REGULATED INDUSTRIES AND THEN CREATED THE 2005 IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE. SHOWN BELOW IS THE IT PORTION OF THE INITIATIVE.



RCA 2005 Improvement Initiative Summary Steps to Improvement

IDENTIFY AREAS OF REGULATIONS WHICH NEED TO BE IMPROVED,
REVISED OR INITIATED PROJECTS TO BE ADDRESSED IN 2005



WORK WITH PIPELINE COMPANIES AND AFFECTED
PARTIES TO IMPROVE PIPELINE REGULATION



PROPOSE IT IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES AND RCC
FUNDING MECHANISM




INVOLVE REGULATED PIPELINES AND UTILITIES IN
IMPROVEMENT EFFORT


RCA 2005 Improvement Initiative

What will the RCC Increase Do?

ALLOW THE RCA TO PUT SYSTEMS IN PLACE TO TRACK DOCKETS, ALLOW REGULATED UTILITIES GREATER TRANSPARENCY AND LOWER THE COST OF REGULATION THROUGH THE USE OF ELECTRONIC DATA.



THE RCC INCREASE IS TEMPORARY. THIS MONEY DOES NOT GO INTO A CAPITAL FUND, IT GOES INTO OPERATIONS AND IF IT IS NOT SPENT, THEN IT WILL REDUCE THE RCC FOR CONSUMERS IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR.



THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN HEAVILY SUPPORTED BY THE REGULATED UTILITIES AND PIPELINES IN ALASKA, INCLUDING ATA, AT&T, APA, ACS AND BP PIPELINES.



THE OVERALL COST PER CONSUMER IS 72 CENTS PER YEAR, PER REGULATED UTILITY SERVICE.

Ivy Frye

From: Daniel Dieckgraeff [dmdieckg@alaska.net]
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2005 2:11 PM
To: Sen. Lyda Green; Sen. Gary Wilken; Sen. Con Bunde; Sen. Fred Dyson; Sen. Bert Stedman; Sen. Lyman Hoffman; Sen. Donny Olson
Cc: Curtis Thayer
Subject: SB 157

Members of the Senate Finance Committee:

ENSTAR Natural Gas Company supports the RCA's initiative to update its information systems and to fund it with the proposed time-limited increase in the Regulatory Cost Charge, as set out in SB 157.

We can see the efficiencies that the proposed systems will bring to the RCA, and to the utilities that it regulates. Some of the advantages include the tracking of cases and costs, the ability to research precedents, and the making of information available faster and easier. As a result, ratepayers will save and get better regulation.

We ask the Committee to pass SB 157.

Thank you,

Daniel M. Dieckgraeff
Treasurer
Manager, Finance and Rates
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ENSTAR Natural Gas Company provides natural gas service to over 119,000 customers in South Central Alaska, including 11,000 on the Kenai Peninsula and 20,000 in the Mat-Su.

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STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

March 30, 2005

The Honorable Ben Stevens
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 111
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the calculation of the annual regulatory cost charge for public utilities and pipeline carriers within the jurisdiction of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA).

Currently, the operations of the RCA are financed through a regulatory cost charge collected from regulated public utilities and pipeline carriers in accordance with AS 42.05.254 and AS 42.06.286, which, under existing statute, may not exceed .7 percent of the total adjusted gross revenue applicable to the regulated public utility and pipeline carrier sectors. The bill would increase that percentage to .9 percent for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2005, July 1, 2006, and July 1, 2007, to finance certain information system improvements within the RCA. The improvements include the implementation of a case management system, a time management system, and an interactive RCA website that would allow regulated entities to electronically file forms and pleadings on-line.

Because it is anticipated that the information system improvements will result in lower operating costs for the RCA, the bill would then reduce that .9 percent maximum regulatory cost charge to the previous .7 percent level for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and for subsequent fiscal years. This bill would not change the existing maximum for the portion of the regulatory cost charge that finances operations of the public advocacy function under AS 42.04.070(c) and AS 44.23.020(e) within the Department of Law.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank H. Murkowski".

Frank H. Murkowski
Governor

Enclosure

COMMITTEE COPY

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT
First Committee of Referral

DATE: 3/31/05

FURTHER: Finance

Date of 5-Day Notice: 4/7/05
 (in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED
 IN TO OFFICE: 4/14/05

Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 157

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Ellis <i>Ellis</i>			✓	
B. Stearns <i>Ben Stearns</i>	✓			
CHAIR: <i>C. Bunde</i>	✓			

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