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Endorsing stipulations proposed as requirements for construction and operation of the Alaska Highway gas pipeline.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:**

WHEREAS the state pipeline coordinator has suggested a number of stipulations relating to the planned Alaska Highway natural gas pipeline to assure that employment opportunities and other benefits arising out of construction and operation of that pipeline will favor Alaskans and to assure that the burdens on the people of the state caused by construction of that project are reduced; and

WHEREAS the coordinator's suggested stipulations would require Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company to

- (1) help assure that work related to construction of the gas line shall be performed by state residents to the extent they are available, willing, and qualified;
- (2) help pay for training programs to meet the state's labor goals;
- (3) initiate a national public information campaign to discourage people from coming to the state to work in areas where an adequate labor force already exists;
- (4) operate impact information centers;
- (5) pay for highway maintenance and repair related to construction activities;
- (6) construct only temporary camps south of Fairbanks to support the project;
- (7) hire employees to operate the pipeline out of

communities close to the pipeline system;

(8) maintain an office in Fairbanks for the conduct of official business throughout the life of the project;

(9) reimburse the state for all reasonable costs incurred by it in monitoring construction of the pipeline and enforcing the right-of-way lease;

(10) prepare within six months of the approval of the lease plans showing how the company will lessen the adverse effects of the pipeline and maximize opportunities of the project for the citizens of the state;

(11) develop a business opportunity plan to show all steps that can be taken to enhance opportunities for local businesses to secure pipeline contracts;

(12) develop an employee management plan to include a locator system designed to speed up mail delivery and communications in emergencies;

(13) develop a plan for gas tap installations and design them at locations specified by the state;

(14) provide for plans and procedures to protect wildlife hunting, fishing, and subsistence; and

(15) prepare studies on the anticipated beneficial and detrimental effects of the proposed natural gas pipeline on communities in such detail that the state and the company can make accurate and timely management decisions; and

WHEREAS Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company has objected to the suggested local hire provisions and to many of the other suggested stipulations, and has indicated that the suggested stipulations are unacceptable as a starting point for negotiations for leases of rights-of-way of state land for construction of the pipeline;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska House of Representatives that it respectfully requests the governor and the state pipeline coordinator to use the suggested stipulations as the basis for lease negotiations with Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company, and urges the company to enter into negotiations with state officials for state leases on the basis of the suggested stipulations.