

May 8, 2008

Office of the Governor
Sarah Palin, Governor
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Dear Governor Palin,

With Alaskans feeling the impact of high energy costs on a daily basis, I write to you in support of the capital projects included in SB 221 for Copper Valley Electric Association.

On page 38 of the capital budget, four projects for CVEA are included which will provide some relief to families and businesses in the Valdez and Copper Basin areas in a time of great need. Your support for these projects will be greatly appreciated, and will aide the co-op in stabilizing the price of electricity.

If the State were to match the \$2 million already in hand for a Glennallen plant upgrade, then this important upgrade would go a long way towards keeping the people of the Copper River Basin safe if there were a major avalanche taking out the transmission line, like the current scenario in Juneau.

I am excited that our local Co-Op is pursuing another hydro plant on Allison Lake. Given your statements supporting renewable energy, I am confident that you can see the importance in helping CVEA get the ball rolling on that project.

In addition, the budget includes money to replace a critical piece of equipment in the Valdez Substation and for reimbursement costs incurred on a project authorized and partially funded by the 1993 Legislature.

The items in this budget are crucial to all that live, work, conduct business, or visit Valdez and the Copper Basin. Please do everything within your power to help these people in a time of great need.

Thank you for your valuable time, and thank you for your past, present, and future support of this region. Everything you do is much appreciated.

Best Wishes,



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