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Subject: Fwd: DEIS Comment FW: Letter of Support for the Alternate 2 of the proposed Donlin Gold Project
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Date: May 25, 2016 at 3:36:23 AM AKDT
To: "Isaacs, Jon" <jon.isaacs@aecom.com>, "Bellion, Tara" <tara.bellion@aecom.com>
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From: Marva Weeden [<mailto:mweeden@calistacorp.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 4:09 PM
To: Gordon, Keith POA <Keith.Q.Gordon@usace.army.mil>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Letter of Support for the Alternate 2 of the proposed Donlin Gold Project

My support letter is attached.

Marva Weeden

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May 24, 2016

Mr. Keith Gordon
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Re: Support for Donlin Gold Project

Dear Mr. Gordon,

I am writing in support of the Donlin Gold Project. This project will benefit all Alaska Native Corporations thru ANSCA 7(i) payment which further are distributed to village corporations thru 7(j). This will also benefit the struggling state economy thru new taxes being paid to the SOA. The Donlin Gold Project has, in the past, and is expected in the future to provide much anticipated vocational training and employment opportunities that currently do not exist in the economically challenged Kuskowim region and surrounding areas. Approximately 600 to 1,200 jobs will be created as a result of the construction and also during the operational phase for the regional residents. The estimated mine life is 27.5 years. Annual wages would be in the millions statewide while significant increase in sales for the state would increase dramatically.

Donlin Gold's project description demonstrates an understanding of environmental concerns, and features vigorous environmental management principles.

I cannot emphasize enough how with the creation of job opportunities this likely will lead to reduced out-migration and will help to maintain rural schools and culture, and including traditional ways of life in the Kuskowim region and surrounding areas.

I highly support Alternate 2 of the proposed Donlin Gold Project.

Sincerely,

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Marva Weeden
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