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After going over the DEIS it is very apparent that Donlin Gold has acted very professional and sincere with the information they have provided. This is a reflection of their core values and intent to be very transparent and responsible for best business and operating practices in their quest for developing a Safe and Environmentally Responsible Operation!

Any concerns regarding this project in it's infancy to full operations should be put to rest with the Alternative 2 proposed project. A failure to do so will only prolong the unnecessary burdens that the indigenous people of this region are experiencing. The Donlin Gold Project will help provide unity for The Kuskokwim Corporation (TKC) and Calista Corporation to manage their entitled land to generate profit that will benefit their shareholders and their descendants for generations to come.

Donlin Gold's proposed operations structure for the proposed project is quite impressive. It definitely shows integrated support from each and every operation to not only support the mining operation itself but includes infrastructure and capabilities to support the local communities as well. Benefits will provide "improved transportation and communications infrastructure" which will provide better support services which will lower the costs of these services as well as lower the costs of energy and goods. Donlin Gold's commitment to "Job Skills and Training" while on the job during the exploration and construction phases will prepare the workforce of up to and probably over 3,000 workers and could carry over to the operations phase. These jobs will not only benefit the local communities but will benefit ALASKA with jobs. This project's future work opportunities and Donlin Gold's commitment in supporting other organizations that offer job skill training will benefit the shareholders and the economic growth within their communities in ALASKA.

Donlin Gold has "Talked the Talk" with their EIS. Donlin Gold's analysis, conclusions, and proposal reflect Donlin's own published Core Values and that they have and can continue to "Walk the Walk"! I have reviewed the document and see that Donlin Gold has drafted a complete operations structure that is second to none to any "Safe and Compliant" operating practices that I have either been a part of or operated under. "Stellar" job Donlin!!

Donlin Gold's proposed project has responsible, transparent, and detailed operational guidelines for safe and compliant means of fluid transfer and spill response that meets and exceeds the regulations that have been created to help prevent oil from spilling or responding to a spill. The least amount of all oil spills happens when the fluid is in transit. Donlin Gold has created detailed operating procedures to

cover this. There are also regulations put in place to prevent the spilling of fluids and petroleum vapors while loading and unloading these fluids as well as a spill response plan. The goal of these regulations is to make sure that all the fluid is delivered equals the amount of fluid that was received. These regulations make sure that they do not have leaks in any equipment but if they do a responsible spill response plan is in place for quick cleanup. With this, Donlin Gold has addressed each and every requirement in their proposal.....and then some!

The proposed pipeline design and build as in Alternative 2 will definitely have zero to insignificant impacts to the Iditarod National Historic Trail (INHT). As stated in Alternative 2 the construction of the pipeline is taking all possible impacts to the environment in account. Donlin has mitigated these concerns into their proposal.

Alaska's economic future is highly dependent on responsible extraction of its natural resources which creates infrastructure which in turns demands support and adds jobs. With this, I respectfully urge the governing bodies to allow Donlin Gold to move forward with NEW ALASKA Resource Development.

Sincerely and Respectfully,

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