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Subject: FW: Donlin Gold Draft EIS comment
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From: donlingoldeis, POA [<mailto:POA.donlingoldeis@usace.army.mil>]
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From: Sarah Erkmann [<mailto:erkmann@aoga.org>]
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 4:10 PM
To: donlingoldeis, POA <POA.donlingoldeis@usace.army.mil>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Donlin Gold Draft EIS comment

To Whom it May Concern:

I support the proposed Donlin Gold Mine project.

I am a lifelong Alaskan, and I know how crucial resource development is to our state. In addition, I know no one does it better than Alaskans when it comes to safely and responsibly developing our abundant natural resources.

Donlin represents such an important economic opportunity for Alaskans. The project could produce gold for almost 28 years, while providing well-compensated jobs in a region where few other opportunities exist.

The State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources enforces stringent regulations overseeing mining activities statewide that effectively protect the environment, wildlife, and human health, so this project can be held to the highest environmental standards. Perhaps most significantly, new mining operations in the area, should they come to fruition, will provide economic benefit to Alaska and local communities, as well as Alaska Native corporations and shareholders.

Please allow the Donlin Gold Mine project to keep progressing, and thank you for considering my comments.

Sarah Erkmann

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