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Sir,

I would like to make a few personal comments in addition to the comment letter you received from Lynden. My employer is Bering Marine Corporation - 100% Lynden company.

All of the comments and information in the Lynden letter are accurate, but I would also like add some comments about interaction among the residents and between the marine operators.

I have been involved in marine transportation throughout Alaska and the Kuskokwim River, both tug/barge and hovercraft, for well over 30 years. In all my experience, the interaction and professionalism of the captains and commercial operators on the river has been respectful and they have always operated with a desire to minimize impact while serving the villages throughout the region. Also, these are people who live and work here, but also fish, hunt and have families and friends along the river. They are careful to minimize impacts to the river, everything from avoiding human created erosion to habitat damage are of utmost importance. The balance between living and working in the area is treated with respect and can be done in a way that allows development without harming the very environment that is important to the way of life in the region.

Kind Regards,
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