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Mr. Keith Gordon, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District--

This letter is written in support of Alternative 2 for the Donlin Gold Project. The area in western Alaska where the proposed Donlin Gold Mine is located is remote, and the people of that area would benefit enormously--and for decades--from infrastructure that would necessarily have to be developed to operate the mine.

It is a well-documented and extremely sad fact that the suicide rate in that area of Western Alaska is very high, which reflects lack of hope among the native youth. Availability of good jobs that pay well and that are preceded by excellent technological training can greatly help in bringing down such a terrible statistic.

The folks working to develop Donlin Gold have spent years, many man hours, and millions of dollars trying to work out the very best plan for development of the Mine, and the folks there are technologically very competent. Advancements in technology have enabled modern mines to become extremely efficient and environmentally sensitive operations that contribute significantly to an economy through effective resource development. The Donlin Gold Project, when it becomes a mine, will doubtless contribute greatly to the overall economy of Alaska as well as the local economy and the social and psychological health of the Alaska Natives in the area.

PLEASE SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE 2 for the Donlin Gold Project.

Thank you,

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