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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Donlin Gold Project - A must have for Alaska and Alaskans

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Greetings,

As a relatively new resident of Alaska (been here 2 years) it is surprising how few good paying jobs are available due to the lack of traditional manufacturing/production activities. With the oil industry in turmoil and the state finances in shambles, the Donlin Gold project represents a significant opportunity to build Alaska's economy. As a small business owner, the health of Alaska's economy has a direct impact. Based on everything I've read regarding the Donlin Gold project it would provide responsible economic prospects for the region and Alaska. The proposed pipeline would minimize impact on the various land uses while providing long term opportunities for Alaskans. Based on my research an estimated 3,000 jobs would be created during the 4 year construction phase and between 600-1200 jobs for the estimated mine life of 27.5 years. Having done much business with the Kinross / Fort Knox mine over the past 2 years I know from experience that they operate to the highest standards and in harmony with our renewable resources.

I appreciate your consideration and look forward to the Donlin Gold project being approved.

Sincerely, Michael Repasky

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