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December 8, 2004

Ms. Kate Giard
Program Administrator, Rural Alaska Broadband Internet Access Grant Program
Regulatory Commission of Alaska
701 W. Eighth Ave. Ste 300
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Ms. Giard,

As the Alaska State Senator representing Senate District S (Western Alaska) that encompasses 68 rural communities stretching from the Yukon Kuskokwim Delta all the way out the Aleutian Chain you can imagine my interest and support for the Rural Alaska Broadband Internet Access Program. I'm sure your well aware of the need for better delivery and access to information in this region and I am very supportive of your program and the prospect that it will help connect Alaska's rural areas to the rest of the State and World.

The reason I'm writing is to voice my full support for UUI's supplementary Broadband Internet Access Grant Funds they requested. I am truly appreciative of the support already provided to UUI to begin these services but many factors have played into additional costs and the supplemental funding is needed to complete the Network.

I know many regional groups have already contacted your office in support of this request with specific uses and needs of the Network so I'll keep it short, but if there is anything additional I can do to help, or information you may need, please feel free to call my office at 907-465-4453 anytime.

Sincerely,

Lyman F. Hoffman
Alaska State Senator

cc. Steve Hamlen

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