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**December 16, 2004** 

Kate Giard
Program Administrator
Rural Alaska Broadband Internet Access Grant Program
Regulatory Commission of Alaska
701 West Eight Avenue, Suite 300
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

RE: United Utilities, Inc.(UUI) Request for Supplementary Broadband Internet Access Grant Funds

Dear Ms. Giard:

Bethel Native Corporation (BNC) is the sixth largest ANCSA Village Corporation in Alaska. Our Corporate headquarters is based in Bethel, Alaska, and our telecom provider is United Utilities, Incorporated.

BNC is certainly supportive of the UUI efforts to improve internet access to the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Villages. The present satellite system is not efficient and is of low quality.

We ask that you look favorably upon UUI's request for supplementary funding.

Very truly yours,

Marc D. Stemp
President and Chief
Executive Officer