



June 10, 2008

Ms Ramona Chinn
Deputy State Director, Conveyance Management
Bureau of Land Management
222 West Seventh Avenue, #13
Anchorage, AK 99513

Re: Sealaska 14(h)(8) priority land selections

Dear Ms Chinn:

Section 403 of the Alaska Land Transfer Acceleration Act (ALTTA) established a deadline of June 10, 2008 for any Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) Regional Corporation that has not received its full entitlement or entered into a voluntary, negotiated settlement of final entitlement to submit final, irrevocable priorities. Sealaska is submitting prioritized land selections of approximately 140,000 acres in order to comply with this deadline. Sealaska's final ANCSA 14(h)(8) land entitlement is not yet known; Sealaska's current minimum entitlement of 354,389.33 acres was published in the Federal Register Volume 70, Number 249, December 29, 2005. It is generally recognized that the acres due Sealaska will be greater than the 2005 estimate. Further ANCSA as amended requires consent from the Governor of the State of Alaska of conveyance of lands from the Yakutat and Saxman withdrawal areas, and Sealaska desires some lands not originally selected.

Pursuant to our conversation of Monday June 9, 2008 you understand it is necessary for Sealaska to select these 140,000 acres and to reserve the right to re-prioritize land parcels selected on the attached list because:

- Sealaska's final ANCSA land entitlement is not known;
- Sealaska may not be able to obtain consent from the Governor of the State of Alaska of conveyance of selected lands from the Yakutat and Saxman withdrawal areas and if it is not able to obtain this consent it will be necessary to substitute selected lands; and
- Sealaska desires inside the withdrawal areas that were not selected by the selection deadline in 1978.

Sealaska is pursuing federal legislation that would allow it to receive its unfilled 14(h)(8) land entitlement from vacant, unappropriated, out-of-withdrawal federal lands in Southeast Alaska. If that legislation is successful the prioritized land selections will no longer be necessary; consequently Sealaska requests that no land selections be

adjudicated or conveyed from this list, and that lands not prioritized but within withdrawal boundaries remain subject to the original withdrawal until the legislation outcome is known. Thank you.

Sincerely,

SEALASKA CORPORATION



Richard P. Harris,
Executive Vice President

Attachment

cc: Ronald R. Wolfe
Rick Perkins