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Gary Knopp
Assembly President
Kenai Peninsula Borough

Dear Assemblyman Knopp:

This letter is to support Resolution 2012-011 that is being considered by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly at their meeting on February 14, 2012. The Grant funding Chugach Electric Association is requesting is needed to improve portions of the distribution line serving the communities of Hope and Sunrise.

The work to improve this distribution line will not only reduce the number of power outages our communities have experienced, particularly this year, but will greatly reduce the costs of maintenance and repairs required for this ageing line. This winters weather has shown the need for these upgrades, that will help keep our lights on and lower costs in the long term.

Our community held a public meeting January 21, where the distribution line to Hope and Sunrise was the main topic. We heard from representatives of Chugach Electric about problems with the line and what they were proposing to solve some of the most critical issues. The community supports the efforts of Chugach Electric in the upgrades they are requesting state funding for.

Sincerely,

Jim Skogstad
President
Hope Inc.