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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

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A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ALASKA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO SPONSOR LEGISLATION TO PERMIT THE COST OF TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT REPAIR AND MODIFICATION TO THE SNETTISHAM TRANSMISSION LINE TO BE BORNE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RATHER THAN THE CUSTOMERS OF THE HYDRO-ELECTRIC PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the transmission line connecting the Snettisham hydro-electric facility and the system serving the people of the City and Borough of Juneau is so designed and located that it has made Snettisham an undependable source of power for the City and Borough of Juneau, and

WHEREAS, the people in the area have been greatly inconvenienced and on occasion suffered injury or damage in their persons and property as a result of this undependability, and

WHEREAS, over \$1,000,000 was spent in 1974 on temporary repairs to said line, and

WHEREAS, such repairs failed to increase the dependability of the line during the present 1974-75 winter, and

WHEREAS, it is now anticipated that additional temporary repairs will be made during the summer of 1975 at a cost as yet known, and

WHEREAS, in spite of additional temporary repairs, a major relocation and/or modification of the line is necessary to establish the requisite degree of dependability and may well consume more than two years, and

WHEREAS, history indicates that damages will occur during those two years which will require additional temporary repairs, and

WHEREAS, planned and probable temporary repairs and the major relocation and/or modification to the transmission line will involve very substantial costs which could have been avoided by proper design and location of the transmission line, and

WHEREAS, it would be inequitable to place the burden of such expenses on the consumers of Snettisham power who are already the victims of this unfortunate chain of events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU:

1. That Senator Ted Stevens, Senator Mike Gravel, and Congressman Don Young are hereby respectfully requested to introduce and support in the Congress of the United States such legislation as is necessary to prevent the cost of the temporary repairs and the relocation and modifications to the Snettisham transmission line from being passed on, either directly or indirectly, to those persons who are dependent upon and consume power from the Snettisham hydro-electric project.

2. That the Corps of Engineers and the Alaska Power Administration are hereby requested to assist and support the introduction and passage of such legislation.

Adopted this 20th day of February, 1975.

Wm R Macomber
Mayor

Attest:

Elmer J. Emery
Clerk