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Fourth Floor Conference Room
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TRUSTEE COUNCIL STAFF/PAG MEMBERS PRESENT:

MS. MOLLY McCAMMON	Executive Director EVOS Trustee Council
MR. ERIC MYERS	Director of Operations EVOS Trustee Council
MS. REBECCA WILLIAMS	Executive Secretary EVOS Trustee Council
MR. STAN SENNER:	Science Coordinator EVOS Trustee Council
MS. SANDRA SCHUBERT	EVOS Trustee Council Staff
MR. VERN McCORKLE	Chairman, Public Advisory Group
MS. BRENDA SCHWANTES	Public Advisory Group, Kodiak
MR. DAVE COBB:	Public Advisory Group, Valdez
MR. JIM KING	Public Advisory Group, Juneau
MR. JIM DIEHL	Public Advisory Group, Girdwood
MS. SHERI BURETTA	Public Advisory Group, Anchorage
MS. PAM BRODIE	Public Advisory Group, Homer

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TRUSTEE COUNCIL STAFF PRESENT (Continued):

MR. RAY THOMPSON	U.S. Forest Service
DAVE GIBBONS	U.S. Forest Service
JOE SULLIVAN	State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game

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(On record at 7:14 p.m.)

MS. McCAMMON: We're going to get -- go ahead and get started on this teleconference. My name is Molly McCammon, and I'm Executive Director of the Oil Spill Trustee Council. And with me here tonight is Vern McCorkle, who is Chairman of the Public Advisory Group, and we're kind of doing this as a two-way public hearing.

As part of the process for development of the 1997 work plan, the Trustee Council is sponsoring a public hearing, and the PAG is also using this as a chance to also hear from the public about various proposals before us for Trustee Council action.

And I think, Vern, with your indulgence here, I'd like to just recap a little bit of the process of the work plan and highlight where we are now in that process.

The work plan actually starts with a workshop in January here in Anchorage where we have all of the investigators on all of the various projects come into town and share the results of their prior work. This gets reviewed by a number of core peer reviewers and others, and based on the input from that workshop, we start to develop an invitation for project proposals.

1 That invitation went out to the public in mid-
2 February; there was a 60-day period to submit proposals. On
3 the basis of that invitation for FY '97, the Trustee Council
4 received 126 proposals, totaling a request of more than \$38
5 million. And of these projects, 120 of the proposals are for
6 research, monitoring, and general restoration projects, which
7 are the subject of the draft work plan. The remaining six
8 projects are things that are outside of the annual work cycle.
9 These are things that we consider more like capital projects or
10 major construction projects.

11 For this year, the Trustee Council has targeted
12 approximately \$16 million for research, monitoring, and general
13 restoration projects in FY '97. In mid-June, on the basis of
14 the review, the technical review, that was done by our
15 Scientific Advisory Group and the Chief Scientist, based on
16 agency review, based on input from the Public Advisory Group
17 and others, I developed a draft recommendation for potential
18 Trustee Council action. That draft recommendation was printed
19 and circulated to the entire mailing list, and we're going
20 through now a public comment period.

21 Now I should emphasize that even though we like to
22 get public comment as early as possible in the process, we do
23 take public comment up until the time that the Council actually
24 votes. So even if we get public comment two minutes before the
25 vote, we make every effort possible to get that comment to the

1 Trustee Council. Even if it's a simple phone call, we usually
2 take notes or summarize the phone call, and we make sure that
3 all the Council members get that input.

4 I should emphasize the Council takes these comments
5 very seriously. They do read all of them; they do listen to
6 people. So I want to emphasize that whatever anyone says does
7 get heard, and this is basically an opportunity tonight for the
8 public to share their thoughts, concerns, comments,
9 observations, whatever, about the proposals that will be acted
10 on on August 29th. And I guess in the draft work plan we had a
11 tentative date for the Council meeting on the 28th, and I
12 should say that it is scheduled now for August 29th.

13 And Vern, would you like to say anything?

14 MR. MCCORKLE: No. I guess we should proceed.

15 MS. MCCAMMON: Okay.

16 MR. MCCORKLE: Welcome to everybody along the net.
17 We have a network tonight of Cordova and Valdez and a large
18 group of people here in Anchorage. I understand there will be
19 others joining us as we go along. Is that right, Molly?

20 MS. MCCAMMON: That's correct. And we should
21 introduce the other Public Advisory Group members here.

22 MR. MCCORKLE: I thought I would do that. In fact, I
23 thought what we might do is just start to your right and go
24 around the table, includes those who are here at the table,
25 then we'll catch those who are in the rest of the room. And

1 then we will have our first testimony here from James
2 Winchester and one or two others perhaps from Anchorage, and
3 then we'll go to Cordova, and then we will go from Cordova back
4 to Anchorage, then from Anchorage to Valdez, and then we'll
5 sort of follow that process as we go through.

6 So Molly, you have spoken, and next.....

7 MS. SCHWANTES: Hi. My name.....

8 MS. McCAMMON: You have to make it turn green. You
9 have to press the button.

10 (Indiscernible - Simultaneous speech)

11 MS. SCHWANTES: Green means go. Hi. My name's
12 Brenda Schwantes, and I'm on the Public Advisory Group, and I'm
13 from Kodiak.

14 MR. McCORKLE: Just.....

15 MS. McCAMMON: Ray?

16 MR. McCORKLE:each person who's at the table.

17 MR. THOMPSON: Ray Thompson, Chugach National Forest.

18 MS. SCHUBERT: Sandra Schubert. I'm on the Trustee
19 Council staff.

20 MR. SENNER: Stan Senner, the Science Coordinator on
21 the Trustee Council staff.

22 MR. COBB: Dave Cobb, Public Advisory Group for
23 Valdez.

24 MR. KING: Jim King, Public Advisory Group from
25 Juneau.

1 MR. DIEHL: Jim Diehl, Public Advisory Group
2 representing recreational users of Girdwood.

3 MS. BURETTA: Sheri Burette, Public Advisory Group
4 from Anchorage.

5 MS. BRODIE: Pam Brodie, representing environmental
6 organizations on Public Advisory Group; I'm from Homer.

7 MR. McCORKLE: Thank you very much. It's delightful
8 to see so many members of the Public Advisory Group here this
9 evening. There are others on staff and in the public who are
10 at the edge of the room, and as you speak, we'd ask you to come
11 forward and give us your name and address. And now I'd like to
12 have some verification that we have anybody on line from
13 Cordova. Cordova, are you there?

14 CORDOVA MODERATOR: Yes. We have one observer and
15 three to testify.

16 MR. McCORKLE: Thank you very much. Valdez, are you
17 there?

18 VALDEZ MODERATOR: Yes, we're here.

19 MR. McCORKLE: And do you have people to testify from
20 Valdez?

21 VALDEZ MODERATOR: I'm the only one listening in
22 tonight, and yes, I have a short testifying (sic).

23 MR. McCORKLE: Okay. Thank you. We'll be back to
24 you in a few minutes. Now I'd like to -- is there anybody else
25 along the line that did not get identified? Cordova and

1 Valdez?

2 (No audible response)

3 MR. McCORKLE: If not, then we're going to return to
4 Anchorage and we'll ask James Winchester, of the Prince William
5 Sound Economic Development Council, to come forward to our
6 little chair right here and address us. If you'd give us your
7 name, and spell the name, and your address, please, would be
8 very helpful.

9 PUBLIC TESTIMONY OF MR. JAMES WINCHESTER

10 Good evening. My name is James Winchester. I'm from
11 Valdez, Alaska. I'm the Executive Director of the Prince
12 William Sound Economic Development Council, and my address is
13 Post Office Box 2353, Valdez, 99686. And the Economic
14 Development Council is a regional economic development
15 organization. It's an order recognized by the state as one of
16 the 13 regions of Alaska organized as such.

17 We have two projects up for review, hopefully for
18 approval, with the Trustees this year. The first is a
19 continuation of an ongoing project work, the Sound Waste
20 Management Plan. And the last couple of years have really
21 shown some excellent planning, good community work. We're
22 finally down to the -- to the business end of the Sound Waste
23 Management Plan, and this is to restrict the amount of marine
24 pollution going into the water in the communities and to
25 thereby restore the general environmental health of Prince

1 this is also an important and significant project, not just for
2 Valdez but for the -- the whole Prince William Sound. It's --
3 it's a rich est- -- estuary, and there are many impacted
4 species resident there.

5 MR. McCORKLE: Any questions for Mr. Winchester on
6 this project?

7 (No audible response)

8 MR. McCORKLE: Thank you. If not, we appreciate you
9 coming to see us. Thank you.....

10 MR. WINCHESTER: Thank you.

11 MR. McCORKLE:very much for.....

12 MR. WINCHESTER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.....

13 MR. McCORKLE:being here.

14 MR. WINCHESTER:Molly.

15 MR. McCORKLE: Are there any other people in
16 Anchorage who would like to talk at this time before we go to
17 Cordova?

18 (No audible response)

19 MR. McCORKLE: You'll have a chance again, so you can
20 be thinking of your comments. Right now, good evening,
21 Cordova. We'd like to entertain your first bit of testimony,
22 and if the person who will speak from Cordova would give us
23 their name, and spell the name, if you would, please, and your
24 address. Thank you. Hello Cordova?

25 MR. KEENEY: This is Cordova.

1 PUBLIC TESTIMONY OF MR. GEORGE KEENEY

2 This is George Keeney. I'm the Public Works Director
3 and Planner for the City of Cordova.

4 MR. McCORKLE: George, would you spell your last name
5 for us, please?

6 MR. GEORGE KEENEY: Yes. It's K-e-e-n-e-y, and my
7 mailing address is P.O. Box 151, here in Cordova, zip code
8 99574.

9 MR. McCORKLE: Please continue.

10 BY MR. KEENEY (Resuming):

11 The -- the first project that I'd like to comment on
12 is your Project 97229. It's with the City of Cordova for the
13 solid waste disposal site. And in our proposal to the EVOS
14 Trustees, we had asked for a sum of money to help start out
15 this project, and in looking at some of the questions that the
16 EVOS Trustees Council did have was the concern of the distance
17 from the airport. The tank that we have located is
18 approximately 17 miles from the city, and it's 4 miles actually
19 from the airstrip itself.

20 The (indiscernible) that control landfill sites,
21 we'll have to end up compacting and covering each day's refuse
22 as it goes into the pit or the area that's being filled. This
23 will create hardly any impact on gathering of birds or anything
24 in the area. We know that was a concern.

25 Also, as far as the water control, or water in the

1 area, yes, this whole area is a -- more or a less a glacier
2 chill area, and the soils in specific areas is actually gravel
3 to a depth of over 30 feet. The new landfill site we've
4 already looked at is most likely going to have to be a line
5 landfill site. It will have most likely a leachate collection
6 system.

7 We've gathered up the information on this whole
8 project, also in the SWAMP group, which was the Solid Waste
9 Management Plan that you actually helped finance. We gathered
10 the information up on this -- this project itself. This is one
11 that was split with the SWAMP ground as far as our end result
12 of that project so far.

13 I would answer any questions that you have for me.
14 The -- the one thing I'll tell you, the Manager and our City
15 Mayor were tied up tonight with a delegation from Taiwan, so
16 they are busy with them, and they would have been glad to be
17 here, but at this time, if you have any questions on this one
18 project, I'd sure like to answer them.

19 MR. McCORKLE: Thank you. You've done very well, Mr.
20 Keeney. Molly McCammon, any questions you'd like to address?

21 MS. McCAMMON: (No audible response.)

22 MR. McCORKLE: Any members of the Public Advisory
23 Group? A question for Mr. Keeney?

24 (No audible response)

25 MR. McCORKLE: I think we have no questions from this

1 end, Mr. Keeney. Is there further testimony you'd like to
2 give?

3 BY MR. KEENEY (Resuming):

4 Yes. Yes, I will. Also on the one that James
5 Winchester also gave, which was the SWAMP land, the 97115, that
6 project, I think it's still, as the Public Works Director and
7 part of the group that got together on that plan, it's probably
8 some of the best money I've seen the EVOS Trustees spend. It
9 actually helped us identify all those loose -- through a lot of
10 the problems in the Prince William Sound, and I highly respect
11 everybody there as far as their ideas on this plan.

12 I think it's going to be fantastic. I hope you do
13 fund this. It will mean that it will take the construction
14 cost and help us get these established. It also should set up
15 a precedence all over the world as far as how you take care of
16 these pollution forces. I've heard from quite a few people now
17 that we've got this plan started out, and all over Alaska and
18 in the Lower 48, as far as the harbor areas, are really asking
19 questions on how we intend to work these facilities.

20 These facilities, as they are constructed, they are
21 going to be the sole more or less operation and maintenance of
22 each community as they are built. So truthfully, once they're
23 constructed, we as a -- as a group, as a SWAMP group, were
24 planning on having each community take over the maintenance and
25 upkeep of those facilities. So we shouldn't really be coming

1 back to you, the EVOS Trustees, other than to thank you a
2 million for -- for helping funding it.

3 If you do have questions on that, I can sure answer
4 about any question you can toss my way as far as the SWAMP
5 group.

6 MR. McCORKLE: Mr. Winchester is grinning and
7 nodding, saying yes, he knows that you can. Any other
8 questions from the Anchorage end?

9 (No audible response)

10 MR. McCORKLE: If not, we'll thank you very much for
11 your testimony, Mr. Keeney, and coming out this evening.
12 Please give our fondest regards to the Mayor and the
13 delegation, and we hope you have very much success in that. Is
14 there anybody else to testify from Cordova?

15 MR. KEENEY: Let me give you to Riki Ott.

16 MR. McCORKLE: Riki Ott?

17 MS. OTT: All right.

18 MR. McCORKLE: Good evening, Mr. Ott. Would you give
19 us your name, and spell your name, and address.....

20 MS. OTT: It's Riki Ott, and it's.....

21 MR. McCORKLE:Ms. Ott?

22 MS. OTT: Actually, it's doctor, but we'll let that
23 slide. It's R-i-k-i O-t-t.

24 MR. McCORKLE: Can I have your address, please?

25 MS. OTT: Box 1430, Cordova, 99574.

1 MS. OTT: Okay.

2 PUBLIC TESTIMONY OF MS. RIKI OTT

3 I'm here to testify -- or to give input on Project
4 No. 97281, which is habitat improvement through redesigned
5 forest workshops. And I'm just going to give an overview of
6 where -- how -- how they arrived at this project, and then I'm
7 going to turn it over to Bob Henrichs, who is with the Eyak
8 Tribal Council and could speak to the Native participation in
9 this grant.

10 Basically, after the oil spill, there was -- it
11 really became obvious in Cordova that there was a tremendous
12 need to diversify their regional economy. And the second thing
13 that happened after the oil spill, that there was an
14 opportunity to use funds from the EVOS settlement to buy back
15 timbers placed for clearcutting. And not all the Native groups
16 saw this as an opportunity. And specifically, in this area,
17 Eyak Corporation, and until recently, Tatitlek and Chenega
18 also, resisted efforts to -- to buy back their land.

19 The EVOS Trustee Council had, and still has, no
20 backup plan for unwilling sellers to promote land stewardship
21 and alternate options for forest management other than simply
22 buying the land or leaving the land with the corporations and
23 the corporations clearcutting. There was a citizen effort to
24 fill this void, which became -- which is the Copper River Delta
25 Project. And this is a project for a sustainable development

1 in this region. It was initially led by the Alaska Clean Water
2 Alliance.

3 There was a series of meetings held this spring in
4 Cordova concerning sustainable development and potential
5 sustainable forestry. This led to a very loose formation of a
6 Copper River watershed forum, which has all the major
7 stakeholders in the area at the table. And that in turn, this
8 process, this ability for us all to talk together, led to
9 several local groups wanting to get involved -- more involved
10 in the project. And this is where Eyak Tribal Council stepped
11 in to sponsor one of the two major undertakings this year.

12 The one undertaking is this -- these workshops, these
13 two workshops through this Project 97281, the EVOS workshops,
14 to basically have a -- a -- a facilitated process to bring
15 Natives and non-Natives together to vision a future. And
16 then -- and then this is where we mesh with the second major
17 undertaking, which is an EPA sustainable res- -- sustainable
18 development challenge grant.

19 This project has also just been submitted. But these
20 two projects mesh because the EPA one is the research component
21 the EVOS one is the public process that will set the framework
22 for the research component. The idea is to have a visioning
23 conference this fall, possibly as early as October, and six
24 months later -- well, conduct the research during the
25 intervening six months, and then in the spring have another

1 workshop to prioritize the options for forestry use, fishery,
2 tourism. I mean, this is a -- a -- a comprehensive plan for
3 this area.

4 Let's see. Those elements, the workshops, the EVOS
5 workshops, and the research are critical to the overall success
6 of this project. But Native participation is also critical to
7 the success of both. And to meet that end, I've been having
8 meetings with Chugach Alaska Corporation, the Land Use
9 Committee, and also Eyak Corporation. And both of these
10 corporations, at this point, are very seriously considering
11 contributing to both of these projects at this time, but
12 because of the summer schedule, it's been really hard to get
13 people together and they're still in the process of discussion.

14 There's no longer any discussion that either of
15 these -- that these projects don't have merit. The -- the
16 question now is how much and where are we going to get the
17 money from. And it's my understanding that Chugach Corporation
18 and Eyak Corporation will be trying to get boards together to
19 make decisions sometime in the next two to three weeks.

20 So in summary, I hope that the EVOS Trustee Council
21 does not limit itself only to land acquisition projects, but
22 would also consider funding projects such as this to promote
23 forest stewardship by facilitating, providing a -- a process to
24 get resident Natives and non-Natives to work together to
25 identify options for forest management.

1 identify options for forest management.

2 And if anybody has any questions, I'd be happy to
3 answer them.

4 MR. McCORKLE: Are there questions for Dr. Ott?

5 (No audible response)

6 MR. McCORKLE: Molly, anything from you?

7 MS. McCAMMON: (No audible response.)

8 MR. McCORKLE: How about the Public Advisory Group?
9 Yes, Brenda?

10 MS. SCHWANTES: Hi. My name's Brenda, from Kodiak.
11 I have a question about ongoing meetings between this -- the
12 group that you're trying to -- to form and discuss options
13 with. Are you planning on having meetings in the future after
14 the initial two meetings?

15 MS. OTT: I have currently another separate grant, a
16 \$10,000 grant, both -- well, actually nine, from EPA and Alaska
17 Conservation Foundation, to do public scoping and help set
18 the -- the framework for this -- for this workshop, and that
19 would help get people to this workshop. Then I would basically
20 cut the consultants loose, and each team of consultants in
21 forestry, fisheries, and tourism, and science would be meeting
22 with the stakeholders that would be affected by their research.

23 So there would be like in-house meetings during the
24 research phase and then again another public meeting in the
25 spring. So I -- I guess I see this as -- it's -- I mean,

1 public participation is like a critical component to both the
2 workshops and the research phase.

3 MR. McCORKLE: Jim?

4 MS. SCHWANTES: Okay. Thank you.

5 MR. DIEHL: This is Jim Diehl, representing
6 recreational users. You said that is -- is this one project,
7 or are there two project numbers to this? Or it's just one?

8 MS. OTT: There's one project from the Exxon -- from
9 EVOS Trustee Council, and that is through the Eyak Tribal
10 Council. The second undertaking, the research phase, is
11 through EPA, and that is -- would be to the Alaska Clean Water
12 Alliance. So these groups are working together.

13 MR. DIEHL: I see. Thank you.

14 MR. McCORKLE: Thank you, Doctor Ott. I understand
15 that Mr. Henrichs is there and would like to testify next.

16 PUBLIC TESTIMONY OF MR. BOB HENRICHS

17 Yeah, okay. My name is Bob Henrichs, P.O. Box 1000,
18 Cordova, Alaska, 99574. I'm President of the Native Village of
19 Eyak Traditional Council. I'm also a Chairman of the Board
20 of -- a Chairman of the Lands Board, or a Chairman of the Lands
21 Committee for Chugach Alaska. And on this forest workshop
22 proposal that we submitted, we felt that it was time to get
23 everybody to sit down and talk about this stuff instead of
24 being at each other's throats.

25 It looks like a real good use of some of this

1 I know that Chugach, we had a Lands Committee two weeks ago --
2 meeting two weeks ago, and the three members that were there
3 agreed that something like this should take place, but they
4 wanted more time to digest the information. And we're trying
5 to get another Lands Committee meeting together, but people are
6 scattered all over the country at this time, and it is the
7 middle of summer, but we will get one.

8 One of the thoughts that were -- was brought up at
9 the meeting was that it was felt that EVOS should fund the
10 whole workshop because of -- it looked like a pretty good deal
11 for them to reach some of the names that they wanted, and that
12 the -- the corporations would be putting a lot of time and
13 effort into it. And if they can get away without having to
14 cough money up, because money's kind of short. You have to
15 realize that while the state and the federal government has
16 settled their claim against Exxon many years ago, all of these
17 corporations are still in litigation with Exxon, and that
18 money's kind of short. But they will -- we -- we will hash it
19 out.

20 It -- I believe -- personally believe this is
21 something that should take place. We should get everybody
22 together and start hashing all this stuff out. It would be a
23 good -- good way to spend some of this money. And while I'm
24 adding here, I'll -- I'll quickly go down this list of projects
25 that I support:

1 97284, a test fishery project; 97001, harbor seal
2 condition and health status; 97064, monitoring habitat
3 (indiscernible) of harbor seals; 97052, community involvement;
4 97210, youth area watch; 97214, a harbor seal documentary;
5 97220; eastern Prince William Sound habitat restoration; 97244,
6 community-based harbor seal management sampling; 97245,
7 community-based harbor seal research; and, of course, 97281,
8 forest workshops; 97282, sea otter population monitoring;
9 97286, elders youth conference; 97295, decim- -- decimation of
10 traditional (indiscernible), 97283, Eyak beach cleanup.

11 And I'll end my testimony on -- I know that the
12 Public Advisory Group has a mind of its own and they don't feel
13 like they're bound by the Chief Scientist's or the Executive
14 Director's recommendations.

15 MS. McCAMMON: I should say neither is the Trustee
16 Council. Thanks, Bob.

17 MR. McCORKLE: Anybody else there to testify before
18 we come back to Anchorage?

19 MS. OTT: No.

20 MR. McCORKLE: Okay. Well, now don't go off the air
21 because we will be returning again one more time before we
22 close out. Now I'd like to return to Anchorage and invite
23 members of the Public Advisory Council or the public or other
24 staff persons to talk to us if they would like to do that.

25 Yes? If you'd come forward and have a chair by the

1 microphone. Give us and spell your name, and also let us have
2 your address, if we may, please. Thank you.

3 PUBLIC TESTIMONY OF MR. GORDON PULLAR

4 Thank you. My name is Gordon Pullar. That's spelled
5 P-u-l-l-a-r, and I'm the Director of the Department of Alaska
6 Native and Rural Development, which is a component of the
7 College of Rural Alaska at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.
8 Our office address is 2221 East Northern Lights Boulevard,
9 Suite 213, Anchorage, 99508. I'd just like to briefly talk
10 about a -- a project that we have proposed. It's applied field
11 base project and rural development for individuals who may wish
12 to complete a degree in rural development but still live in
13 rural communities.

14 We would like to be able to expand this project in
15 a -- at a small level as a kind of a pilot effort into the oil
16 spill area to reach communities that may have people that would
17 be interested and qualified for this project. And we've had a
18 number of inquiries, so we believe that those people are there.
19 It would be related to the restoration effort in that one of
20 the requirements of the project -- or two of the requirements.
21 One of them is an internship and the other is a research
22 project, in that the students would be able to work with some
23 of the projects that will be funded or that are funded.

24 We have spoken to a few of the principal
25 investigators of existing projects. They all seem receptive to

1 the idea of having students work with them. The result would
2 be that not only the -- the students would be able to complete
3 their degree, but they would be able to do work that is
4 directly related to the restoration project. The other part of
5 the program involves a course of individual study, a -- a -- a
6 credit for prior learning. And it's -- it's a -- a fast -- a
7 fast-track degree program for mid-career people. I'd be glad
8 to answer any questions if.....

9 MR. McCORKLE: Molly, have you any response you care
10 to make?

11 MS. McCAMMON: No.

12 MR. McCORKLE: Other members from the Public Advisory
13 Group for Mr. Pullar, or others in the room? Yes?

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: What's the project
15 number?

16 MS. McCAMMON: 275.

17 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: 275?

18 MS. McCAMMON: Yeah. It's under public information
19 and education.

20 MR. PULLAR: Thank you again.

21 MR. McCORKLE: Thank you, Mr. Pullar. We appreciate
22 you coming down to be with us this evening and to discuss your
23 project and let us know of its important points. Anybody else
24 here in Anchorage who would like to be next?

25 (No audible response)

1 MR. McCORKLE: If not, then we'll go back along the
2 network and see -- we are going to Valdez -- to Cordova next,
3 returning to Cordova. Anybody in Cordova who would like to
4 speak to us just now?

5 MS. OTT: No. That's it for Cordova.

6 MR. McCORKLE: Well, really? We were hoping for one
7 or two more comments from Cordova, but thank you for.....

8 MS. OTT: Be careful, Ricky's still here. You might
9 get him.

10 MR. McCORKLE: Well, we'll be here a while longer. I
11 guess we'll maybe skip Anchorage and go back to Valdez and see
12 if there's anyone who's come in that would like to talk to us
13 from there. We'd be very much interested in hearing from you.

14 PUBLIC TESTIMONY OF MS. KAREN GOODBERLET

15 Yes. My name is Karen Goodberlet. That's spelled
16 G-o-o-d-b-e-r-l-e-t, Box 2923 here in Valdez. And I'd like to
17 make one comment on the duck flats in Valdez here, and I see
18 reference to plastic pollution.

19 In the last month I've talked to a friend of mine who
20 three years ago went in and did a private study with a -- a
21 colleague of hers, and they came out with finding oil there.
22 And I was hoping that that project was an extending look toward
23 pollution as far as oil went in the duck flats.

24 MR. McCORKLE: Thank you very much. Are there any
25 questions for Karen Goodberlet?

1 (No audible response)

2 MR. McCORKLE: Well, then let me say thank you very
3 much for coming out to be with us this evening and to give us
4 your testimony. We really appreciate that. And it looks like
5 I'll give one final call for Cordova. Anybody there from
6 Cordova?

7 (No audible response)

8 MR. McCORKLE: And then a final call for Anchorage.
9 Anybody here in Anchorage who would like to address us?

10 (No audible response)

11 MR. McCORKLE: Any comments from the Executive
12 Director?

13 MS. McCAMMON: No, Mr. Chairman, other than just to
14 say that all of -- that the testimony tonight has been recorded
15 and will be transcribed and given to the Trustee Council
16 verbatim. So I did want you to know that, and it will be
17 summarized for the rest of the Public Advisory Group members
18 who were not able to attend tonight.

19 MR. McCORKLE: Thank you very much. Any member of
20 the Public Advisory Group who would like to have a final word
21 this evening?

22 (No audible response)

23 MR. McCORKLE: And anybody else?

24 (No audible response)

25 MR. McCORKLE: If not, then we declare the public

1 hearings are over, with great thanks to everybody who did come
2 to participate, and we always are glad to have your opinion.
3 Remember, they do not need to end this evening; they can be
4 taken up to the last moment before the Trustee Council votes,
5 which I understand will be August 29th.

6 MS. McCAMMON: 29th.

7 MR. McCORKLE: So thank you very much, and good night
8 Cordova and Valdez and Anchorage.

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10 (Whereupon, the proceedings in the above matter were
11 adjourned at 7:45 p.m.)
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