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Dear Mr. Dennerlein:

Thank you for your informative presentation to the Alaska Water Resources Board at our August 11, 1983 meeting.

The water supply and water quality concerns of the Hillside and Potter Marsh areas continue to be of great interest to the Board. We commend and support the efforts of the Potter Marsh Task Force to initiate the hydrologic studies of the Marsh and its surrounding areas, as well as addressing other management concerns associated with the marsh. We also support the professional efforts of the U.S. Geological Survey and the Department of Natural Resources in planning and initiating their cooperative hydrologic studies of Potter Marsh, and the Municipality of Anchorage in assisting with funding for these studies. This Cooperative management approach is viewed by the Board as a very effective way of dealing with water resources concerns that cross governmental jurisdictional lines.

The board hopes that the outcome of this co-operative effort will be a precedent setting report and model that other Alaskan communities can follow when similar water conflicts arise.

Sincerely,



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Chairman, Alaska Water Resources Board

cc: Tony Knowles, Mayor of Anchorage
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