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ALASKA ENERGY AUTHORITY HIRES PROJECT MANAGER

Wayne Dyok joins Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric Team

(Anchorage) – The Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) hired Wayne Dyok as lead project manager for the Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric Project. Dyok will begin work on Nov. 1, 2011.

Dyok has more than 35 years of U.S. and international experience in Federal Energy Regulatory Commission licensing, engineering design, environmental studies and energy planning on hydroelectric projects. He has managed major hydroelectric licensing projects for the California Department of Water Resources, Seattle City Light and Dominion Generation. Dyok has a master's degree in civil engineering and is a licensed civil engineer in Alaska.

“Wayne’s wealth of hydroelectric and permitting experience and strong focus on safety make him a real asset to the Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric project,” said AEA Board Chair, Hugh Short. “Under Wayne’s leadership, the Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric project will move Alaska toward its goal of 50 percent renewable energy sources by 2025 and provide safe and reliable power for the Railbelt.”

Dyok also served as chief hydraulic engineer and assistant manager, need for power for six years on the Alaska Power Authority’s (now AEA) Susitna hydroelectric project in the 1980s.

In the [2010 preliminary decision document](#), the AEA identified the Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric project as the safest and best alternative for the State to successfully meet its renewable electric energy goals. The [Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric project](#) will be located approximately half-way between Anchorage and Fairbanks, creating a 700-foot dam with a power generation capacity of 600 MW. The project is in the preliminary planning process.

The [Alaska Energy Authority](#) is a public corporation of the state whose mission is to reduce the cost of energy in Alaska. More information can be found at <http://www.akenergyauthority.org> and <http://susitna-watanahydro.org>.

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