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Dear Unalaska City Council, City Manager, and whom it may concern,

I have been a resident of Unalaska for 40 years. During the time that I've called Unalaska my home, starting in the 80s, the prospect of geothermal has come up at least a half dozen times, and this is the first time it seems viable. I am in complete support of the City of Unalaska going green by means of geothermal power from the Ounalashka Corporation and Chena Power (OCCP, LLC) at Makushin Volcano.

As we look to the future, it is essential that we move to renewable clean energy and move away from our reliance on fossil fuels. As a rural community, not only in Alaska but in our nation, it is important that we move to develop a sustainable lifestyle in reducing emissions. It might be nice that the price of oil is so inexpensive, but we should not gamble our future on the fickle nature of oil prices that are controlled by outside organizations, when we can establish complete control over our future.

Chena Power has done great things in Chena Hot Springs, and have been very successful. The City should join with OC and Chena and help build a sustainable future for our community. This is a historic moment and it is important to make this a priority. Our community has the opportunity to be a poster child and set an example in our state, nation, and world.

Thank you for your time and your leadership on the City Council.

Skip Southworth