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Via Electronic Mail

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RE: Dillingham Annexation Petition- LBC August 30 Meeting

Dear Brent:

We have been authorized to inform you of several details Dillingham wishes be taken into consideration in establishing the hearing schedule and procedure. With regard to the schedule the Commission should take into consideration and avoid conflict with the following:

- The annual BIA Tribal Provider's Conference will take place in Anchorage November 29-December 2. This typically draws significant participation from the Nushagak Bay area.
- The Bristol Bay Native Corporation's executive team is set to be meeting the first week of December.
- The Alaska Municipal League annual conference is scheduled for November 14-18.
- The AFN annual convention is October 20-22.

Dillingham has no official position on holding a hearing in Manokotak and will leave this decision to the Commission. Manokotak asked for these petitions to be consolidated. Typically consolidation would include combining what ordinarily would be two public hearings into a single public hearing on both petitions. Holding the combined public hearing in one place has obvious efficiencies for the Commission and staff but it also is typical for the Commission to tour an area involved in an annexation petition. Should the Commission decide to hold portions of the hearing on the consolidated petitions in Manokotak, Dillingham will expect to have an opportunity to present responses to any public testimony taken in Manokotak to the Commission in the same manner Dillingham is provided the opportunity to provide responses to public testimony taken in Dillingham.

Sincerely,

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cc: Rose Loera (via electronic mail)