I enjoyed the opportunity to talk briefly with you in Corpus Christi and hope we will have a better opportunity soon. I hate to beat the idea of a trip to Fairbanks to death, but an investigation of our past local efforts with respect to the "impact" of the trans-Alaska pipeline, and our current efforts to prepare for gas pipeline construction are relevant to the committee's work. There is no question in my mind that a trip up here will give you pertinent information and a unique and valuable perspective for the committee's deliberations.

If such a trip is possible I would be pleased to make as many appointments and arrangements as are necessary to give you full access to our accumulated knowledge.

Sincerely,

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cc: Senator Mike Gravel

Enclosure:

- 1. August 1 letter to Leslie Goldman
- 2. June 6 letter to the Council on Environmental Quality
- December 6 Research Memorandum, Dr. Evelyn Stokes, University of Waikato