

tion and the operation of new timber manufacturing facilities in the planning stages; and

Whereas, increased round log export would result in an exploitation and depletion of Alaska's long term timber resources;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Greater Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce that the Chamber is totally opposed to round log export from the forests of Alaska and that the Chamber favors and heartily endorses the long-standing policy of requiring primary manufacture of logs in Alaska.

PETER ELLIS,

President, Greater Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce.

Date: January 9, 1968.

Attest:

F. A. SEYMOUR,

Manager, Greater Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF PETERSBURG, ALASKA,
January 12, 1968.

HON. ERNEST GRUENING,
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SIR: Your attention is called to the Federal proposal for unrestricted round log export from the State of Alaska.

The Petersburg Chamber of Commerce continues to support the primary manufacture regulations that are in effect in the State of Alaska at the present time, and vigorously opposes any change in these regulations for the following reasons:

1. Existing processing plants and their employees would be placed in severe jeopardy.
2. Any additional expansion of processing facilities would be ruled out.
3. Wood processing plants are becoming a major factor in the economy of Alaska towns and their loss would be a severe blow to the economy of Alaska.
4. The wood products industry is experiencing a stable and continuous growth. The proposed changes in the primary manufacturing regulations would create a chaotic condition.

We solicit your support in opposing any changes in the present raw log export regulations.

Sincerely,

ROBERT M. THORSTENSON, *President.*