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Hi Todd

Look at this good letter from Conoco.

Andy

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Subject: FW: [FWD: RE: FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING SHARED SERVICES]

From: "John Lane" <jlane@polarexpressalaska.com>

Date: Thu, August 02, 2007 10:48 am

To: <abaker@polarexpressalaska.com>, "Louis Jennings"
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Here it is.

[John]

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August 2, 2007

Honorable Mary S. Peters
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: Support for the Application of Polar Express Group, LLC and Sky King, Inc. for an
Emergency Exemption (OST-2007-28795)**

Dear Secretary Peters:

I am writing to support the emergency exemption application of Polar Express Group, LLC, ("Polar Express") and Sky King, Inc. ("Sky King") to engage in charter air transportation of persons and property between points within the State of Alaska (OST-2007-28795).

We have urgently requested the services of Polar Express and Sky King due to immediate commercial need for private charter operations to support our private flight schedule between Anchorage and the North Slope region. Currently, we are unable to provide these flights because two of our aircraft are not available and supply is very limited.

On July 31, 2007, one of our 737 aircraft incurred catastrophic engine failure immediately following departure from Prudhoe Bay-Deadhorse (SCC). At this time, this aircraft is expected to be out of service for an undetermined, but extended period of time. In addition, as of August 1, 2007, another of our 737 aircraft was removed from service for heavy inspections for approximately six weeks. We are unable with are remaining 737 aircraft to meet the demands of our operations in the North Slope.

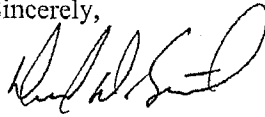
Capacity for the proposed services is also inadequate. We have contacted seventeen air carriers in Alaska and the lower forty-eight states to supply the flights between Anchorage and Deadhorse. None of the contacted air carriers would agree to fulfill this request.

As a result, we are facing delays and disruption in our operations, which could interfere with our overall gas and oil production in the North Slope Region. Moreover, a longer term need exists to meet future unforeseen circumstances. Undoubtedly if our remaining aircraft were to be removed from service, for whatever reason, we could face even greater challenges to our oil and natural gas production in Alaska. In order to resolve this urgent problem, and to address longer term contingencies, we are hoping to work with Polar Express and Sky King to meet our transportation needs.

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For the reasons stated in this letter, we respectfully request that you approve the application of Polar Express and Sky King for an emergency exemption.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David D. Smith", written in a cursive style.

David D. Smith
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