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Hello Todd,

Steve, from "Winning Edge", called because your email account wouldn't let his email go through. I had him send me the information so that I could forward it to you. My guess is that his emails are in with your junk mail.

I'll print the information and leave it on your desk.

What a huge switch from the Iron Dog one week to the political world in D.C. the next!

Take care,

Erika

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**From:** Winning Edge [mailto:winningedge@chartermi.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2007 3:09 PM  
**To:** erika\_fagerstrom@gov.state.ak.us  
**Subject:** Todd Pain Iron Dog Interview Part 1 and attachment

Hi Todd it was sure nice speaking to you the other night, glad to see everyone is doing well.

You can't believe how badly we want to move up now that our last child Stacey is graduating. We had an agreement with our kids that we would stay in the area until they graduated High School, after that it was our turn. The problem we have now is the fact Michigan is in a deep single state recession so selling our house is going to be difficult. While the snowmobile industry is hurting we had a little help with S.W. cutting to four issues a year. We are the only monthly print magazine covering racing so subscriptions are picking up. To be honest we would like to move up find a Bed and Breakfast to run off the beaten path in Alaska and do the magazine on the side. We'll just have to say our prayers and keep our fingers crossed.

Now on to the interview. This is just a few questions to get you going. I'll have more on the way Tuesday. Remember this is *The Winning Edge* so don't worry about the length of your answers, just answer them in a way you would find interesting if you were the reader.

Need photos Trying to track down pictures from the '07 awards banquet as well as win pictures featuring your past Iron Dog winning teammates and action shots from those years. Any help would sure mean a lot. Just e-mail them down as high res. JPEG's I still have pictures from the 1995 Iron Dog and Gold Star Alaska '96 races. That Gold Star poster you and the other drivers signed that day is framed hanging up in my office - see attached. The van hood on the right is from our old Transvan. Last winter while going through a pretty mild and snow less January I pulled out the old hood, dug

out a bunch of our old Alaska pictures and a can of spray glue. Sherry cut them into some pretty nice shapes. It brings back a lot of good memories especially of my father who passed away a year ago September 10th.

Also could we have your middle initial it might sound better in the answer section.

Is a Tuesday March 6, deadline possible with your tight schedule?

Thank You

Your Friends in the lower <sup>348</sup><sup>2</sup>

Steve & Sherry Landon

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Interview Part 1

W.E. -- Tell us a little bit about yourself; Age, Hometown , Education , Family, Employment, Hobbies, Etc....

T.P.--

W.E. -- Do recall you first snowmobile experience as well as your first sled? Tell us a little bit about both of them. Has your family always been outdoor enthusiasts? If yes what other activities are you involved in?

T.P. -

W.E. Have any of your children raced or planning to race in the future?

T.P. --

W.E. You owned and operated a Polaris dealership in Big Lake from 199? -?

Tell us about that dealership and what led to eventually moving on to other things? Does the dealership still exist today? If yes who now owns it?

W.E. -- How did you get involved in racing? What types of racing have you been active in over the years in addition to running the Iron Dog?

T.P. --

W.E. Tell us about you first snowmobile race; Sled raced, type of race, finish and most memorable moment from that race?

T.P.--

W.E. -- What attracted you to cross-country racing? How did you get involved? Do you recall your first cross-country race where? When? What you were driving? How did you finish? Have you tried any oval or snow

cross? If yes what kind of success have you had? With Chad Gueco and Bill Wilkes winning the Soo do you have any interest in giving it a try?

T.P. --

W.E. -- Can you list the year make and models of the sleds you have raced? Is there any particular favorites you have from the; 1970's , 1980's, 1990's and 2000's?

T.P. --

W.E. - Please give us your career record 19?? - 2007 Note Person you raced with on team events? Any special memories of race other than the Iron Dog that really stands out.

T.P. --

W.E. Tell us about how you came to race in the Iron Dog? How did that first race go?

T.P.

W.E. Speaking of Polaris you won your first Tesoro Iron Dog in 1995 with

Dewayne Drake and continued running Polaris in both the Iron Dog and Gold Star Alaska races until 19???. What did you like about the Polaris models of that period? What led you to make the switch to Arctic Cat?

T.P.

W.E. You have often said your family has been you biggest supporters. How do you feel they have they contributed.