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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Section of Environmental Analysis

# ARRC NORTHERN RAIL EXTENSION PROJECT Environmental Impact Statement

## COMMENT FORM

Your input is an important element in the scoping phase of this project. To help us incorporate your views and suggestions, please provide your comments below and mail to the address preprinted on the back of this form. Please write legibly. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

Please include your name and address so that we can add you to our mailing list if you would like to receive subsequent information on the project. Thank you for taking the time to provide us with your comments.

**Comment deadline is: January 13, 2006.**

Comments may be submitted today,  
or sent to:  
  
Surface Transportation Board  
Case Control Unit  
Attention: David Navecky  
STB Finance Docket No. 34658  
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**What potential environmental issues and impacts are you concerned about?**

*We would like to log our vote in favor of the Railroad extension from Eielson AFB to Delta, AK. Even though we would be impacted by the close proximity of one of the proposed lines we feel that is often the price to pay for development and economic progress. It would be our vote to see the Railroad development extend to the border and eventually to the "lower 48." What a Tremendous boost to the future economic growth of Alaska would be a rail line connecting Alaska to the "lower 48." We feel the economic benefits far outweigh the environmental impact involved in the development of a R.R. line to Delta. We sincerely hope you will carefully take into consideration our strong feelings regarding the need for this extension.*

*Sincerely,  
John & Yvonne L. Betters*