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Re: Pre-Application Review of Toshiba 4S Reactor Design

Alaska Electric Light and Power Company officials have watched with interest as Galena has pursued the possibility of obtaining a Toshiba 4S Nuclear Power Plant.

This project has incredible potential for similar applications in Alaska and other parts of the world. Alaska's vastness and terrain prohibit interconnection of many communities by electric transmission lines. Most of Alaska's rural communities are reliant on independent diesel fueled generating facilities. With the escalating price of diesel the sustainability of these communities is becoming uncertain. Fuel costs and emissions concerns have initiated a second look at the potential for Nuclear power.

We are encouraged that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission will be reviewing the Toshiba 4S reactor. There are several features of the 4S that are important for remote areas of Alaska, primarily the long life of the reactor core, the small size and the passive safety.

We will be very interested in the final out comes of the Reactor Design Review process.

Sincerely,

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