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Nancy Cavanaugh, Chair
City & Borough of Sitka
Employment Relations Board
Sitka AK 99835

Dear Ms. Cavanaugh:

In my letter of May 16, 2006, on behalf of ASEA/AFSCME Local 52, I petitioned the Sitka Employment Relations Board to establish a bargaining unit of eighty-two (82) general government positions.

I would like to amend my proposal for the proposed General Government Bargaining Unit to a total of seventy-one (71) by removing eleven (11) positions located in the Electric Division from my recommendation of May 16. The eleven positions are: Meter Technician, Apprentice Meter Technician, Meter Reader, Sr. Power Plant Oper./Dispatch, Power Plant Oper./Dispatch (4), Sr. Generation Facilities Mechanic, and Generation Facilities Mechanic (2). The remaining two positions in the Electric Division, Administrative Assistant and Billing Clerk/Materials Specialist would remain in the proposed General Government Bargaining Unit.

I continue my recommendation that the remaining seventy-one (71) positions in my letter of May 16, 2006, be included in a General Government Bargaining Unit. Of those 71 positions we have signed cards by forty-two (42) of the individuals currently filling those positions authorizing ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 to be their exclusive representative in all matters relating to wages, hours and terms of working conditions.

I also renew my petition to the Board to create a separate bargaining unit of the Sitka Community Hospital employees as they represent a distinct community of interest. As stated in my letter of May 16, ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 is in ongoing communication with the employees in this proposed bargaining unit.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jim Duncan
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cc: Mo McBride, Employee Representative, Sitka Employment Relations Board
Gary Paxton, Assembly Representative, Sitka Employment Relations Board