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Subject: Controllable Pitch Propeller System Buy America Waiver

RE: a. Project No. Z702120000/ 9500(140), M/V Matanuska Repower & Systems Upgrades
b. FHWA Alaska Division Letter HAD-AK, Dated November 7, 2005, Buy America
Waiver for M/V Taku Controllable Pitch Propeller (CPP) System

Dear

I would like to confirm that reference (b) Buy America Waiver Controllable Pitch Propeller (CPP) System would apply to the Controllable Pitch Propeller (CPP) System being installed on the M/V Matanuska as part of reference (a). The justification for granting the original Buy America Waiver is the same justification that applies to the M/V Matanuska. There is no domestically manufactured system available in the United States, which provides the level of integration that exists in the proposed equipment.

If the original Buy America Waiver does not apply to the M/V Matanuska I would like to apply for M/V Matanuska Controllable Pitch Propeller (CPP) System with the justification that there is no domestically manufactured integrated reduction gear and Controllable Pitch Propeller (CPP) System available in the United States. I have attached a copy of approved Public Interest Findings (PIF) for you information. The cost of this equipment, including spare parts is estimated at \$2,066,550.

Thanks you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Narciso Flores".

Narciso Flores
Marine Engineering Manager
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Encl: 1) Approved Public Interest Findings (PIF) Controllable Pitch Propeller (CPP) System
2) FHWA Alaska Division Letter HAD-AK, dated November 7, 2005

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