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Dear Fellow Alaskans:

RE: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Solid Waste Program

The FFY 2004 Omnibus Appropriation Bill (H.R. 2673 Sec 764) appropriated \$1,000,000 to the Denali Commission *to address deficiencies in solid waste disposal sites which threaten to contaminate rural drinking water supplies.*

Denali Commission staff convened a multi-agency team to look at current technologies and the economic choices represented by certain solid waste management options. The Commission determined that this funding opportunity shall promote innovative solutions to technical and logistical deficiencies of traditional municipal solid waste (MSW) handling. Proposals should come from communities in conjunction with their technical partners. Projects will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Sustainability can be demonstrated, consistent with the Commission's policy.
- Communities can demonstrate a commitment to the solution of solid waste-related problems.
- Innovative technologies are welcome, but they must be proven successful in the climatic and geologic conditions in which they will be used.

Due to limited funding available, this Request For Proposals (RFP) does not intend to open new landfills nor close existing sites. The RFP assumes there is an existing landfill in which to dispose ash and other residual materials. The RFP is seeking projects in the following categories:

LEVEL I *Gasification systems, thermal oxidations systems & composting systems*
capable of processing 3 to 5 tons MSW per day. Economies of scale through servicing more than one community, and fuel economies through waste heat utilization are desirable, but not required, elements of this proposal category.
Maximum funding: \$600,000

LEVEL II *Burnboxes & baling systems*
that improve on current waste management technology by reducing waste volume, risk from accidental fire, and risk from animal interaction.
Maximum funding: \$100,000

LEVEL III *Above-ground MSW containment systems*

designed to eliminate blowing trash, reduce animal interaction, and facilitate community control, transportation, and storage of MSW.

Maximum funding: \$35,000

Proposals can address multiple communities.

A full copy of the RFP, the Denali Commission Sustainability Policy, and the application form are available at www.denali.gov. If you would prefer a copy of the RFP packet mailed to you, send a written request via fax (271-1415) or e-mail that includes the following information:

Name of Contact Person
Title
Organization
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Please do not leave a voice message with this information.

Please contact the Solid Waste Program Manager Cindy Roberts (907-271-3018 or croberts@denali.gov) to make certain that you are on the mailing list for any adjustments in this RFP or if you have questions. Applicants are responsible for understanding any RFP adjustments. Information will be posted on the webpage.

Communities are required to document good standing with the IRS. (See application for IRS form.) Proposals are due September 15, 2004.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey B. Staser
Federal Co-Chairman