

July 29, 1983

Honorable James McClure
Chairman,
Senate Energy and Natural Resource Committee
360 Dirksen Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In the Committee's business meeting on July 22, Senator Murkowski requested that Mr. Dick Bishop, State Supervisor for The Department of Fish and Game in Alaska, be permitted to sit with Committee staff during the deliberations on S. 49. In addition, Senator Murkowski also informed the Committee that Bill Horn from the Department of the Interior would be available to discuss particular drainage areas.

Because of the potential impact of S. 49 upon subsistence users in Alaska, I am requesting that the Committee ask Mr. Bellous of the National Park Service to attend the mark-up sessions of the Committee on this legislation. Mr. Bellous is an expert on subsistence matters and until recently was the subsistence liaison officer for the Alaska Regional Office of the National Park Service. He has worked on subsistence issues in Alaska since the early 1970's.

Mr. Chairman, I strongly believe that it would facilitate the Committee's consideration of S. 49 to have the benefit of Mr. Bellous' experience. I, therefore, respectfully request that you, as Chairman, ask the National Park Service to make Mr. Bellous available for our deliberations on this important legislation.

Sincerely,

PAUL E. TSONGAS
United States Senator

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