Memorandum of Agreement

Between

State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services

and

Association of Village Council Presidents

The purpose of this agreement is to 1) avoid duplication of benefits and 2) promote comparable benefit payments between the federally funded Low Income Home Energy Assistance Programs (LIHEAP) administered by the State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), and by the Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP), a tribal organization, under the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 (Title XXVI of Public Law 97-35, as amended). AVCP receives 15.31098% of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance block grant funding based upon the service territory defined in this agreement.

The parties agree as follows:

 AVCP will serve all residents Native and non-Native residing in the following communities:

Akiachak, Akiak, Alakanuk, Atmautluak, Chefornak, Chevak, Eek, Emmonak, Georgetown, Goodnews Bay, Hooper Bay, Kasigluk, Kipnuk, Kongiganak, Kotlik, Kwethluk, Kwigillingok, Lime Village, Lower Kalskag, Marshall, Mekoryuk, Mountain Village, Napakiak, Napaskiak, Newtok, Nightmute, Nunam Iqua (City of Sheldon Point), Nunapitchuk, Oscarville, Pilot Station, Pitka's Point, Platinum, Quinhagak, St. Mary's, Red Devil, Russian Mission, Scammon Bay, Sleetmute, Toksook Bay, Tuluksak, Tuntutuliak, Tununak, and Upper Kalskag.

- As a condition of receipt of these funds, AVCP will not refer any of their eligible
 households to DHSS for service. This includes any unserved households remaining after
 their LIHEAP funds have been expended, unless the parties have agreed to waive this
 condition.
- 3. DHSS and AVCP will cooperate in the development of the LIHEAP plans with the goal of establishing similar eligibility criteria and comparable benefits levels.
- 4. DHSS will ensure that applications for LIHEAP it receives from the region are promptly forwarded to AVCP.

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5. As a condition of receipt of these funds, AVCP will provide DHSS with an annual LIHEAP Summary Report by October 30th of each year. The report will be submitted in the format provided by the state's Heating Assistance Program and will include: the number of households served and amounts expended by community; the amount of expenditures for heating assistance, weatherization, emergency assistance, and program planning and administration; and the amount of LIHEAP funds, if any, carried over into the next program year. The dollar amounts provided in the LIHEAP Summary Report must match the amounts on the Carryover and Reallotment Report submitted to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

AVCP's service area represents 15.31098% of Alaska's LIHEAP Block Grant. This percentage is effective beginning with FY 2016 grants.

This agreement may be amended with mutual agreement of both parties and will remain in effect until amended or revoked.

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11/19/15 Date