

ML&P Resolution 01-07
A Resolution Supporting the Establishment of a Renewable
Energy Fund for Alaska

WHEREAS: An adequate, reliable, reasonably priced and safe supply of electrical energy is necessary for Alaska's basic infrastructure, economic and technological development; and

WHEREAS: Alaska possesses vast amounts of potential renewable energy resources including wind, geothermal, biomass, solar, tidal, wave, and hydro power; and

WHEREAS: The Alaska Legislature established the Alaska Energy Policy Task Force in 2003 to review and analyze the state's current and long term energy needs; and

WHEREAS: The Task Force found that one of Alaska's long term energy needs is to "identify and evaluate long term fuel resources", and recommended that the state should "increase the proportion of renewable in long term fuel sources"; and

WHEREAS: There is virtually no fuel cost associated with renewable energy resources; and

WHEREAS: Other states and nations are working successfully to develop their renewable energy resources; and

WHEREAS: The continued competitiveness and stability of the state's economy requires that the legislature consider national and international trends toward renewable energy development; and

WHEREAS: Renewable energy technology development promotes both industry investment and job creation; and

WHEREAS: Clean, renewable energy has many environmental and health benefits; and

WHEREAS: Locally produced renewable energy has many security benefits; and


WHEREAS: Modern, affordable, and efficient renewable energy technologies now exist; and

WHEREAS: It is in the public's interest for Alaska to develop its renewable energy resources.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Anchorage Municipal Light & Power Advisory Commission finds that a Renewable Energy Fund for Alaska should be established as a separate fund to finance new utility scale renewable energy projects in Alaska with grants and/or loans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Fund should be funded by general appropriations so that Alaska can leverage a portion of today's oil and gas wealth into a renewable energy industry that can and will provide perpetual benefits to Alaskans.

Approved and passed in the ML&P Commission meeting held January 24, 2007.



Russell Nogge, Chairman
ML&P Advisory Commission

ATTEST: 

Linda R. Davidovics
ML&P Commission Secretary