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## **G&T Managers:**

We're glad you've chosen Alaska as the site for your spring meeting, (June 19-21, 2016) and Chugach is pleased to be serving as the host utility for the event.

Hotel Information: The Hotel Alyeska, Alaska's premier year-round resort, is nestled in a lush valley surrounded by mountain peaks, hanging glaciers and spectacular water views. The chateau-style hotel makes the perfect base camp for your Alaskan vacation. During your stay, you'll experience supreme comfort with modern touches and rich native influences, bringing the natural beauty of Alaska's great outdoors inside.

The Hotel Alyeska's phone number is 1-800-880-3880 and the link to their website is <a href="https://www.alyeskaresort.com">www.alyeskaresort.com</a>. The group name for making your reservation is National G&T Managers' Conference, or you can use the group code *GTF19C*. The hotel will honor guest room rates three days before and after the conference, based on availability. There will be a cruise ship in port during this time so demand for rooms will be high. If you are thinking about extending your stay before or after the conference, I would encourage you to book your reservations early. The cutoff date for all room reservations is May 20, 2016.

*Transportation:* While Girdwood is within the Municipality of Anchorage, it is a distinct community of its own about 40 miles from the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport. You'll want to rent a car if you haven't made other transportation arrangements.

**Dress Code/Weather:** The dress code for this conference is business casual. Be prepared for temperatures in June to range from the 50's -70's during the day with evening lows in the 40's -50's. What to pack and wear on your Alaska trip is pretty simple: Dresses is casual, but dress in layers and wear comfortable shoes.

Conference Registration, Group Activity and Spouse/Companion Program: A link will be provided in the coming weeks to register for the conference, spouse/companion program and Sunday's group activity.

*Group Activity:* On Sunday, June 19, 2016, you'll have an opportunity for an optional tour to ride the Alaska Railroad Costal Train to Seward which will include breakfast, soft beverages and two adult

beverages. The Coastal Train winds through beautiful Alaska terrain offering amazing views of mountains, glaciers and the Placer River Valley.

Once in Seward, the group will board a boat and tour Resurrection Bay, stopping at Fox Island for lunch. The fully narrated Resurrection Bay Tour offers spectacular views of jagged cliffs, seabirds, marine wildlife and alpine glaciers. Enjoy a buffet-style lunch on Fox Island – freshly grilled Wild Alaska Salmon or prime rib, served with ½ lb. of Alaska King Crab, vegetable, potatoe, green salad, dinner rolls and a freshly baked chocolate chip cookie. Upon completion of the Resurrection Bay Tour, the group will board buses and return to The Hotel Alyeska for the welcome reception. *Cutoff date to register for this event is May 20, 2016 and is limited to 120 people.* 

There are many things to see and do on either side of the meeting. The 2016 Alaska Visitors' Guide is very informative and will be mailed to you later this month. You may want to read it for additional ideas on activities to do while visiting Alaska. While golf event is not planned as part of the conference, we have several courses with rental clubs available. Additionally, there are many fishing opportunities.

My staff and I will be glad to answer questions. The key point of contact is Connie Owens, who can be reached at <u>connie\_owens@chugachelectric.com</u> or 907-762-4747 (desk) 907-440-4747 (cell).

Please let us know if there's something we can do to help you get the most out of your trip.

I look forward to seeing you in June, and sharing this beautiful place we call home.

Sincerely,

Bradley Evans

Chief Executive Officer

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