

2026 Board of Director Candidates

Penny K. Gage

Member for: 5 years
Occupation: Energy and Policy Executive
Employer: Launch Alaska, Fulbright Arctic Initiative
Education: Sitka High School; B.A., University of Alaska Fairbanks; M.S. in Foreign Service, Georgetown University
Nominated by: Nominating Committee
Incumbent: No
Declarations: None



Candidate Statement

I am running for the Chugach Electric Association Board of Directors to ensure reliable, affordable power for our members during a pivotal time for our region. As a member-owner, I believe Chugach Electric must remain financially strong and accountable to its members.

Born and raised in Alaska and of Tlingit heritage, I have lived in Anchorage for over 11 years and am raising two young children here with my husband. My career has focused on energy policy, infrastructure investment, and economic development. I have worked in state government, private investment, and nonprofit leadership roles evaluating capital projects and long-term risk. I currently work with utilities, policymakers, and investors to support infrastructure investments and responsibly integrate emerging technologies.

Chugach faces tightening natural gas supply, significant capital investment decisions, and heavy reliance on a single fuel. These realities require disciplined oversight, strong financial stewardship, and pragmatic long-term planning.

If elected, I will focus on:

- Advancing practical near-term gas supply strategies that prioritize reliability and manage costs
- Protecting ratepayers through financial management and transparent governance
- Reducing long-term risk through diversification and cost-effective modernization

Reliable power affects every household and business. I would be honored to earn your vote.

Learn more: www.PennyForChugach.com

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