

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Alaska Energy Authority (the "Authority") will conduct a public hearing on March 13, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. in the Authority's boardroom, 813 West Northern Lights Boulevard, Anchorage, Alaska, regarding the Alaska Intertie Project.

AEA recently received an offer by Matanuska Electric Association to purchase the AEA-owned Alaska Intertie for approximately \$50M. The Alaska Intertie is a 170 mile long electrical transmission line stretching from Willow to Healy River, Alaska. This line connects the Alaskan Interior to South Central Alaska in an interconnected electric grid that allows power to flow between the interior and south central Alaska.

The purpose of this public hearing is for AEA to gather information from Railbelt electric utilities and the public as to their thoughts on a sale of this asset and how this might affect the grid. The Authority is not actively seeking to sell the asset at this time but would like to obtain any thoughts or recommendations from the utilities and the public on the MEA purchase offer, and also on how we can make the intertie work better for all Alaskans. Detailed information on this intertie and the sale offer is available on the AEA web-site ([www.akenergyauthority.org](http://www.akenergyauthority.org)), at the Alaska Intertie Public Hearing Link.

The public is invited to attend and present written or oral testimony regarding the above-referenced issue. Written testimony must be provided to AEA by 4:30 PM on March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Submission of written testimony is encouraged. Participants may submit both written and verbal testimony at the hearing.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, notice is hereby given that 48 hours notice is needed if special accommodations are required. If you are in need of special accommodations or if you wish to attend telephonically, contact Brenda Fuglestad at (907) 269-3008 by March 9, 2007.