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Mr. Bob Bright
City of Valdez
Community & Economic Development Center
P.O. Box 307
Valdez, Alaska 99686

RE: CUP #99-6

Dear Mr. Bright:

Per this morning's telephone conversation, Valdez Petroleum Terminal, Inc. (VPTI) has modified the plot plan previously submitted for the proposed addition of a 30,000 Bbl storage tank to the existing Valdez Petroleum Terminal (VPT) fuel storage facility.

Based on our discussions with Chief Blackburn, the proposed siting of this new tank will be moved from the Southwest corner to the Northwest corner of the existing containment area (please see the attached drawing). This action will reduce the distance between this tank and emergency vehicles supplying cooling water in the event of a fire in this or any of the adjacent tanks. The intermediate dike wall shown on the original drawing has been retained with the new layout, its purpose being to contain smaller spills near the tank of origin and thus prevent the further spread of fuel to the balance of the containment area.

Also, to address Chief Blackburn's concerns regarding possible future additions to this facility, I can confirm for you that VPTI currently has no plans to erect more tanks on this site. However, in the unlikely event that more tankage is proposed for this facility, VPTI will commit to install (at that time) a fire protection system that provides coverage for the entire tank farm, including any new tanks.

I hope this modification and commitment adequately address your concerns. Please contact me at your convenience should you have any further questions or comments on our proposal and thank you for your time.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Douglas L. Chapados", written over a horizontal line.

Douglas L. Chapados
Vice-President of Refining, Petro Star Inc.

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