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October 5, 1934

Mr. Ivan L. Peterson Chickeloon, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 13 with reference to the road from Sutton to Chickeloon.

While I was in Anchorage recently, this satter was discussed with Mr. Edwards, the local superintendent. As you know, we have never undertaken to furnish transportation by car from Sutton to Chickalcon and this office has never been advised of any agreement or promises made by Sol. Chison. I am advised that the present situation at King River will require the construction of a 103-foot span if the present location is used and a great deal of work would be necessary to place the old railroad grade from King River to Chickalcon in condition for truck travel.

Due to insufficient funds, no work in addition to that already done on the road between Sutton and King River can be performed this year and it is doubtful if the tonnage moved for your operations alone to Chickeloon would justify the expenditure necessary to rehabilitate this section of road as a truck road.

Very truly yours,

Ike F. Taylor, Chief Engineer.

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Chickatoon Sept 13.1934

Mr Ski P. Paylor

Chief Engineer Alaska Road Commission Juneau, Alaska.

Sear Sir-

Regarding the condion of the road from Sutton to Chickaloon wish to pay that the road from Thing river bridge to Chickaloon is in very bad condition and in oneny places almost impassable. The railroad ties have been left in for a distance of about two miles. We have alredy broken two springs on our truck.

Our supplies are on the other side of King River and we have no means of getting them over - We are now entirely out of food. Gol Chloon who was in washington confiring with Secretary tokes when I wrote them promise to fut the road in good condition, take up all therties etc. and this was agreed to by Secy tokes. The Bridge is part of the road without it the road would be useless.

los expect to receive heavy materials from briow and we must head coal in order to operate our plant. Hoping that you will lake this matter up with your anchorage representative.

Yours Repectfully Peterson Oil Association by Juan L. Meterson

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Juneau Alaska July 5 1927

EDMUNDS ANCHORAGE (Mail from Seward)

YOUR LETTER RIGHTERNIE ULTING CHICKALOCK KING RIVER SLED ROAD TOUR PROGRAM ALREADY INCREASED FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THIS ROUTE UPON WHICH MAXIMUM SAVING POSSIBLE SHOULD BE MADE IN VIEW OF YOUR PRESENT RECOMMENDATIONS OWLY TWO HUNDRED REQUIRED

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## WAR DEPARTMENT ALASKA ROAD COMMISSION JUNEAU, ALASKA

Anchorage

June 18th, 1927

General Jas. G. Steese President, A.R.C. Juneau.

Dear Sir:

Chickalcon - King River sled road.

In reference to the request from the Peterson Oil Association for the Alaska Road Commission to do do some work on the road leading to their drills, about which we spoke during your recent visit to Wasilla, I submit the following report.

The portion of the road used by the oil company is one and a half miles long, branching from the Alaska Railroad one half mile South of Chickaloon and running in a NorthWesterly direction. It serves the drill crew, consisting of six men, and also two homesteaders. Mr Peterson states his tonnage to be between six and eight tons as a day, consisting of fuel for two boilers, drill supplies, casings, lumber etc and provisions, but I think that three tons a day would be liberal estimate for the oil co. and about ten tons a year each would cover the freight hauled by the homesteaders.

The road is only cleared sufficiently wide for a wagon to pass over, it is worn down so that the road is in a depression, with water running in from both sides.

The road being so narrow makes it possible to travel in one rut only, which fills up with water in low places and forms some very bad mud holes.

A road of this nature is naturally very bad in the springtime and during the wet season, however, in view of the uncertainty of the results of the oil exploring I recommend that an allotment of \$200.00 be made for the purpose of clearing a new road around the mud holes where it is possible to do so, and ditching and gravelling where the roadway cannot be changed, this will probably keep the operators in a fair humour and serve the purpose for the time being.

To widen ther the road and bring it to standard as far as the drilling operations would cost \$3600.00.

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Anchorage, Sept. 11, 1923.

SUBJECT:

Allotment 35-30.

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To:

Hawley . Sterling. Supt..

Alaska Road Commission,
Anchorage, Alaska.

- 1. I am inclosing herewith allotment for \$800 for Liniquist's road.
- 2. Your letter of September 8th, in reference to method of performing this work is approved.

Jug: D 1 Incl (in dup). A/A 3S-30. John C. Gotwals, Engineer Officer. 59-4 CM

# SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT ALASKA ROAD COMMISSION

Anchorage, Alaska. September 8, 1923.

SUBJECT: Request for road to coal property of Andrew P. Linquist.

TO: Major John C. Gotwals, Engineer Officer, Anchorage, Alaska.

- 1. Referring to your letter under date of August 9th on the above subject; I have just returned from a trip to Chickaloon where I met Mr. Linquist and went over the proposed work with him.
- 2. There is, at present, a wagon road to within an half mile of Mr. Linquists place, built by the Navy Department, totally unfit for heavy winter hauling on account of steep pitches. Only one half mile of this road would be used on Linquists proposed route.
- 3. With the work which Mr. Linquist has already done on the last three miles and the half mile of the Navy road which would be used, there remain only three miles of slashing to do to open a good winter trail. The location would be such that it could later be made a wagon road, if warranted.
- 4. My estimate for doing this work is \$ 600. Mr. Linquist offers to do the work for \$ 800. Since he has already worked forty days on the trail and since he is vitally interested in getting it done properly and would unquistionably put that amount of work on the trail for its improvement, I recommend that he be given a confattact to cut the trail at his own figure of \$ 800.
- 5. Upon inquiry I find that Mr. Linquist bears a reputation in the Chickaloon section of being a hard working, enterprising citizen. He has drifted 86 feet on his claim and has exposed a nine foot vein of coking coal unfaulted, and plans to haul at least 200 tons to the railroad this winter.
- 6. Upon favorable advice from you, I will make up the necessary contract, and mail on Fridays train, the 14th, so that he may take advantage of the Fall weather for doing the work.

Hawley W. Sterling, Supt.

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Anchorage, August 9th, 1923.

SUBJECT:

Request for road to coal property of Andrew P. Linquist.

To:

Hawley W. Sterling, Superintendent, A. R. C., Anchomage, Alaska.

- l. I am inclosing a letter with blue print, requesting road work near Chickeloon.
- 2. Please visit this project, getting in touch with Mr. Linquist, who is located on the mining property, and advise if an expenditure of \$1,000 would complete a sled road to this coal prospect.

JCG :D Encls. John G. Gotwals, Engineer Officer. A. E. C. Form 350

### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

ALASKAN ENGINEERING COMMISSION

Refer to File No.

Anchorage, July 24, 1923.

(Date)

Memorandum for CAPT. HILL,-

The attached papers relative to road desired to coal property of

Andrew P. Linquist, also his desire
to dispose of coal to this Commission,

are respectfully forwarded to you, in accordance with the following notation thereon:

"More detailed information desired; please see mes"

initialed by

undersigned.

Please return attached papers

JOHN C. GOTWALA

Vice-Chairman.

Inclosures— x File

7-18-23

Maj.Gotwals,-

Mr. Linquist, accompanied by Mr. Charley Balhiser, called today to see you about their proposition sent in some time ago and not heard from, for a road  $5\frac{1}{2}$  miles long to their coal mine. Would cost about \$250 per mile; wanted A.R.C to build 4 miles of that.

Also wanted to know about chance to dispose of some coal to the A.E.C. for coking purposes. They claim to have fine grade of coal.

Reply may be addressed to Mr. A. P. Linquist, care Mr. Chas. Balhiser, at Anchorage.

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Sorts up nigned letter.

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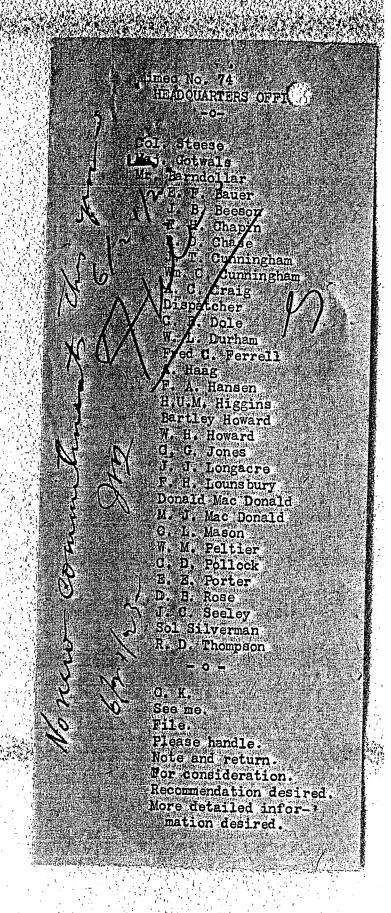
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JOHN C. GOTWALS.

Vice-Chairman.

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, June 20, 1923.

To: Mr. C. Balhiser, Anchorage, Alaska.

Subject: Petition for road to coal property of Andrew P. Linquist.

- l. Your communication dated 6-20-23 inclosing map of a proposed road route from near Chickaloon, Alaska, to the coal property of Andrew P. Linquist, in Section 8 of the Matanuska coal fields, has been received and is being forwarded to the President of the Alaska Road Commission for action.
- 2. It is very doubtful if any work can be done by the Alaska Road Commission on this proposed route, if approved by the Commission, this year. Our work for this season has been fully projected, is now under full swing.
- 3. Considerable trouble is being experienced in to obtaining the labor necessary for the work now in hand; any new work for this season would necessitate a re-adjustment of our present working forces and of cost allotments as they have been made.

OLIVER R. HALL, Acting-Superintendent.

CC to Col. Steese.

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