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Re: Dalton Highway  
Maintenance  
Track #09-004

Mr. Joseph James  
CCA Red Rock  
1752 E. Arica Rd.  
Eloy, AZ 85231

Dear Mr. James:

In your letter dated 10/16/08, you requested information regarding the ownership of the pipeline haul road and asked who was responsible for maintenance. You also asked whether state driver's licenses and auto license plates would be required on a private road that connected to the haul road.

In general, the State of Alaska manages and maintains a 200-foot wide highway right-of-way for the Dalton Highway between Livengood and Deadhorse airport. The right-of-way consists of federal grants where the highway crosses lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management and right-of-way permits where the highway crosses lands managed by the State Department of Natural Resources.

Private roads crossing private lands are not subject to the State vehicle licensing or driver's license requirements. However, once a vehicle enters the public highway system, the State licensing laws would be enforced.

Sincerely,

Leo von Scheben, P.E., L.S., M.B.A.  
Commissioner