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MANAGER'S REPORT March 23, 2015

To: The Mayor and Council

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KPB

The Kenai Borough has received a proposal to create a Special Assessment District for natural gas in the Diamond Ridge area. The proposed District includes parcel 17321015 which is owned by the City of Homer. The projected assessment would be over \$4000. The City parcel is on the corner of Belnap Dr. and Diamond Ridge Road. The City purchased this lot and two others to add to the Hickerson Memorial Cemetery property however, the plat shows that there is an utility easement for the benefit of lot 17321016 on the city owned parcel.

There will be no benefit to the City to receive Gas to this lot. Should the City protest inclusion in this Assessment District?

St. Augustine

The City has attempted to facilitate some discussions between the State ADOTPF and property owners in the St. Augustine subdivision. The primary issue the City has brought to the attention of the State is the fact that water collected by the State at the intersection of the Sterling Hwy. and St. Augustine St. goes into a culvert that discharges the water onto a private lot. The City constructed proper ditches along several streets in the subdivision, so the water could be discharged into these ditches rather than onto a private lot.

Some of the property owners are also concerned that in addition to the discharge from the State culvert; the Enstar construction in the area also exacerbated the drainage issues. The City is not aware of any investigation that identifies a 'cause and effect' of the drainage issues in the area. But the City will continue to monitor the situation as

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well as work with the State to get the culvert to discharge into the ditch rather than onto private property.

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Letter in Support of the KBFPC Grant Request