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Honorable Sirs:

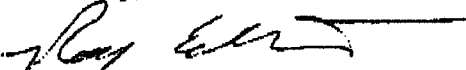
Attached is a letter and attachment sent yesterday to Southeast Regional Director Bob Doll of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. Also attached is additional correspondence received from Mr. Doll, as well as a copy of a memorandum from Michael Binkie, Airport Safety and Compliance Officer regarding the Ketchikan International Airport.

To say that this situation has escalated into an untenable situation is an understatement. Not only are these documents being used by our sister municipality to possibly terminate a long-standing mutual aid agreement for fire services, but by the release of Mr. Binkie's memorandum and the letters from Mr. Doll to the Borough, the citizens of Ketchikan have been presented with inflammatory information about our airport which has caused considerable consternation.

I am writing to you so that you may be aware of the situation here in Ketchikan and possibly to seek a remedy to this sort of action by a State agency.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Roy Eckert
Borough Manager

Attachments: 11/18/02 Memo from Michael Binkie to Bob Doll; 11/25/02 Letter from Bob Doll to Roy Eckert; 1/10/03 Letter from Bob Doll to Roy Eckert; 2/6/03 Letter from Roy Eckert to Bob Doll; and 2/5/03 Memorandum from Airport Director Dave Allen to Roy Eckert

c: Borough Mayor and Assembly