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MEMORANDUM

To: Victoria Rutson, Chief,
Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board

From: Mark Peterburs, Project Manager

Subject: Northern Rail Extension Project
Quarterly Progress Report, July-September 2013

This quarterly progress report is submitted in accordance with the *Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the Surface Transportation Board, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Wainwright, Alaska, and Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer regarding the Alaska Railroad Corporation, Northern Rail Extension Between North Pole and Delta Junction, Alaska*, STB Finance Docket 34658, executed in December 2009. This progress report covers the period from July 2013 through September 2013.

Project Progress – July to September 2013

Key activities/milestones conducted during the reporting period are summarized below.

Historic Properties:

- Held Annual Meeting for PA (August 28)
- Conducted Annual Contractor Training (August 8)

Construction:

- Temporary Access complete to the South Bank
- Launching toe and levee build completed
- Top soil and seeding on North Bank levee completed
- Cofferdam installations completed
- 72" pile driving nearly completed
- Girder bolt-up continues, 4 pairs remain unfinished

Milestones/Planned Activities – Next Reporting Period

- Complete girder bolt-up and guard rail assemblies
- Begin girder erection
- Discuss Phase II planning
- Begin 2013 Annual Report for PA





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NRE Project Photographs



Figure 1. Temporary Access. Photographed July 22, 2013



Figure 2. Temporary access and piers . Photographed October 19, 2013.





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Figure 3. Piles at Abutment 1. Photographed July 13, 2013.



Figure 4. Construction of 12' rebar cage. Photographed August 5, 2013





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Figure 5. Girder yard. Photographed October 19, 2013



Figure 6. Girder placement. Photographed October 19, 2013.

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