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To Whom It May Concern,

The Department of Revenue (DOR) was recently informed that Dow Jones Alaska North Slope (ANS) West Coast (WC) price quotes are going to be discontinued. Dow Jones will stop publishing ANS WC prices Friday, August 2, 2013. DOR will use the Dow Jones service, previously known as "Telerate," through July 31, 2013. After July 31, 2013, the Dow Jones service will no longer be used to assess ANS.

15 AAC 55.171(m) specifies how the average spot price for ANS at the US West Coast during a month is to be calculated for purposes of determining prevailing value. The regulation states in part: "If *Platt's Oilgram Price Report*, Dow Jones Energy Service, or Reuters online data providing service ceases to report daily assessments for ANS at the United States West Coast, the average spot price for ANS at the United States West Coast is the average of the monthly average assessments by all remaining reporting services."

As of August 1, 2013, the Department will only use Reuters and Platt's to calculate ANS WC price, as set forth in 15 AAC 55.171(m).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew R. Fonder".

Matthew R. Fonder, Director  
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