## DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

**DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY** AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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Scott Walden Kenai Peninsula Borough Office of Emergency Management 253 Wilson Lane Soldotna AK, 99669

Re:

**Award Letter** 

AK-07-221 October Southern Alaska Storm (PW #229)

Certified Mail #: 7007 2680 0000 3995 3540

Dear Mr. Walden:

**RECEIVED** 

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Enclosed is your copy of approved Project Worksheet (PW) #229 for the AK-07-221 October Southern Alaska Storm disaster. This PW has been obligated and therefore funds can now be issued to assist in your disaster recovery process.

Please review the Damage Description and Dimensions, Scope of Work and Cost Estimate carefully. If you do not agree with the Project Worksheet as written, an appeal process is available for review and reconsideration of the situation. The appeal procedure requires that you make a written appeal directly to this office, specifically identifying the action under appeal and giving an appropriate justification for the appeal. Please attach any related documentation supporting the appeal to your letter of request. You must submit appeals within 60 days of receipt of this award letter and address the appeal as follows:

> Mr. John W. Madden, Director Division of Homeland Security & **Emergency Management** P.O. Box 5750 Ft. Richardson, Alaska 99505

Throughout this process, if you do not agree with any determinations regarding project eligibility, scope of work, time limits, funding, or any other determination made about the PW, the same appeal process will also be available. If you have PWs that are pending approval, they will be transmitted to you in future correspondence. However, please be sure to review all PWs and make inquiries to DHS&EM about pending PWs to ensure all damaged sites or facilities are or will be identified in a PW.

The State of Alaska will be responsible for reimbursing you for all eligible expenditures associated with the approved PWs. An applicant is only entitled to be reimbursed for those costs that are eligible. Please note that once the work associated with your project is identified as

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100% complete, you will have 90 days to submit all cost documentation to justify a final payment and project close out. Failure to do so may jeopardize funding for this project.

All work must be completed as outlined in the Scope of Work in the PW. If additional work is completed, or different repair methods are utilized, you must contact DHS&EM for approval prior to construction. If you anticipate a cost overrun or a change in scope of work, you must notify DHS&EM prior to completing the work. The assumption should not be made that such costs or changes can be reported at the end of the project and that additional funds or work will be approved automatically. The request should contain justification for the eligibility of the additional costs or work.

Associated deadlines – All Emergency Work Project Worksheets (Category A Debris Removal and Category B Emergency Protective Measures) must be completed within 6 months from the date of the disaster declaration. All Permanent Work Project Worksheets (Categories C-G) must be completed within 18 months from the date of the disaster declaration. If more time is required, please contact your State Public Assistance Officer before the associated deadline to request a time extension. Failure to do so will jeopardize funding for your project.

If you need additional information or clarification, please feel free to contact me at 1-907-428-7102 or 1-800-478-2337 or by email at samuel.walton@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

State Public Assistance Officer

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Attachments: Project Worksheet

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