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## CONSUMER COMPLAINT

### READ THE FOLLOWING BEFORE COMPLETING THE COMPLAINT FORM

In filing this complaint, I understand:

- The Attorney General is not my private attorney and cannot provide legal advice to me.
- I authorize the Attorney General to send this complaint to the business or organization named below, or to refer the complaint to other appropriate agencies.
- The information in this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

CONSUMER INFORMATION			BUSINESS INFORMATION	
Name: (First) Mr. Mrs. Ms. <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> Eugene	(Last) Smith	Age: 56	Business or Organization Your Complaint is Against: Northwest Arctic Borough	
Address: [REDACTED]		Apt. #:	Address: PO Box 1110	
City, State, Zip Kotzebue, Alaska 99752			City, State, Zip Kotzebue, Alaska 99752	
Work Phone #:	Home #: [REDACTED]		Phone #: [REDACTED]	Email address:
Email address: [REDACTED]			Contact Person: Clement Richards Website Address: www.nwabor.org	

### INFORMATION ABOUT THE TRANSACTION OR EVENT

Date of transaction or event: Dec 20, 2016

Did you sign a contract? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, please attach a copy.

Product or service involved: EA/EIS for Kivalina Project

Amount paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Paid By:  Cash  Check  Credit Card  Loan

Did you see or hear an advertisement for the product or service? If so, where and when?

First contact between you and the company: (check one)

- Person came to my house
- I telephoned the company
- I responded to a radio/tv ad
- I received information in the mail
- I went to the company's place of business
- I received a telephone call from company
- Internet
- Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

Where did the transaction take place: (check one)

- Over the phone
- At home
- At the company
- By mail
- Internet
- Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

### RESOLUTION SOUGHT

What would you consider a satisfactory resolution to this matter?

Refund  Product Delivery  Service Performed  Other (explain) Investigation

If you are seeking a refund, please state the amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I am not seeking a resolution to this matter, but am filing a complaint for reporting purposes only.

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### ACTION YOU HAVE TAKEN

Have you complained to the business or organization?  Yes  No (If so, attach a copy of complaint)

How?  Mail  By telephone  In person Date of complaint \_\_\_\_\_

Person contacted:

Job title:

Nature of response:

Date of Response:

Have you retained an attorney regarding this complaint?  Yes  No

If so, please state the name, address, and phone number of your attorney:

Has legal action been taken by you or against you with regard to this complaint?  Yes  No

If so, please describe the current status of any legal action:

Have you filed this complaint with any other agencies?  Yes  No

If so, list name of agency and status of complaint:

I notified the Local Police Chief (Eric Swisher), FBI (who said that it must be handled locally first)

### DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION OR EVENT

Describe the transaction or event, using additional sheets if necessary. Tell us WHAT happened, WHEN it happened, WHERE it happened, and WHY it was unfair or deceptive. Attach COPIES of all contracts, letters, receipts, advertisements, or any other papers that relate to your complaint.

The incident started when the Borough Mayor was drunk and driving the Borough Vehicle and had a young girl in the vehicle with him. He almost hit another vehicle and the person (Chris Lie) was driving at the time. Chris decided to film the incident with his phone and was showing it to others in the community, he showed the video to our Public Services Director and then he notified me about it. I was the Chief of Staff for the Borough at the time and notified the Mayor. I told our Mayor (Clement Richards) that he needs to go talk to Chris about the situation. Clement notified me that Chris agreed to delete the video and told Clement to not do that again.

This last December we were in a very contentious meeting regarding the Kivalina Project. Sandy Beaver (the Chairman for the School District) put out a very unprofessional campaign on facebook regarding the issue and lobbied the Assembly on the situation (which i feel violates the "open meetings act"). While we were having the Borough Retreat in Seattle in late December, we had a special meeting regarding the situation in Kivalina. The contractor for the project at the time was Remote Solutions, who we hired to "fasttrack" the Kivalina Project and they were in Seattle presenting the project to the Assembly as well. During the meeting our Mayor Clement Richards received a phone call from Chris Lie and Clement had me listen in to the conversation. He told Clement if he didn't get rid of the "Baker Boys" that he would have to show everyone the video. I told him that was Blackmail and Clement was very frustrated about the whole situation. After the retreat, when the Mayor was heading home he had a meeting with Sandy in Anchorage. Once he got back, he told me that i couldn't talk about the "Baker Boys" and I told him he couldn't do that since they still had an active contract with the Kivalina Project. He fired me and eliminated the contract with Remote Solutions. I believe that they still have not gotten paid for the EA work that was done.

I notified the Local Police Chief of this situation since that I strongly believe that "Blackmail" was used to convince the Mayor to head in a different direction. I also firmly believe that there was some serious ethic issues that occurred during that time and am hoping someone can investigate the situation. I believe also that there was Blackmail used but also potential extortion since there was alot of monies involved.