

October 11, 2023

The Honorable Michael Regan  
Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW  
Washington, D.C. 20004

Administrator Regan,

We are writing in support of the Tanana Chiefs Conference's (TCC) coalition application for the Solar for All program, entitled "Alaska Tribal Solar for All". Through a partnership between TCC, the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC), and the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC), this grant will reduce emissions, enhance solar accessibility, and widen the doorway to continued financing of solar projects in Alaska Native communities.

As you are aware, Alaskans face some of the highest energy costs in our nation. Alaska Native communities in particular face a number of distinct challenges with energy deployment, such as remote geography, severe weather, and lack of institutional capacity. In the approach highlighted in this application, TCC will lead a program to fund large-scale solar photovoltaic (PV) installations owned by tribes as well as support statewide workforce development efforts. ANTHC will complement these efforts by delivering solar PV and battery energy storage systems to rural tribal communities, while AHFC will secure the remaining funds to augment their existing rooftop solar program for low-income households. This multifaceted plan will open countless benefits to Alaska Native communities while upgrading the reliability and resilience of their energy infrastructure.

Consistent with applicable law, policy, and guidance, we respectfully ask that you give due consideration to TCC's coalition application for the Solar for All Tribal award. We also ask that you keep our officers apprised on the outcome. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Lisa Murkowski  
United States Senator



Dan Sullivan  
United States Senator



Mary Sattler Peltola  
Representative for All Alaska