



CALISTA CORPORATION
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VIA EMAIL & FAX

All Tribal Council Members and Administrators
Yukon Kuskokwim Delta Tribal Villages
Calista Region

Re: February 4-6 Regional Committee Meeting in Bethel, Alaska

Dear Tribal Representative:

The Calista Corporation board of directors formed a committee called the Regional Committee during its December Quarterly board meeting last week. The work of the committee will be to conduct an assessment of "ANCSA, and the IRA, and their impact on the Native peoples of the Y-K Region and to develop a strategic plan to obtain the appropriate and necessary remedies from the United States and State of Alaska governments for the negative effects associated with ANCSA, the IRA and other governmental actions impacting the Native peoples of the Y-K Region". This will be an important first step in determining whether steps can be taken to strengthen the political voice of the Native people in our region. The future ability of our children to survive and prosper while living in region will depend upon how wisely we use our political strengths. It is time to assess how well the state and federal governments have performed their obligations to us under these laws, and as sovereigns. And it is time that we come together to work as one to address these larger issues.

The membership of the Committee will be:

- 1) The Chairman of the Calista board of directors (Mr. Willie Kasayulie) who shall act as the Chairman of the Regional Committee and one additional director of Calista Corporation (Mr. Robert Beans);
- 2) The President of Calista Corporation;
- 3) One (1) representative of each of the Native village governments;
- 4) One (1) representative of each village corporation in the Y-K Region; and
- 5) One (1) representative from each of the regional non-profit organizations AVCP, AVCP Housing and YKHC.

The first meeting will be held at the Cultural Center in Bethel Alaska on February 5 and 6. There will be an opening dinner for attendees on the evening of February 4 to welcome everyone to the gathering. There is an AFN Subsistence meeting in Anchorage on Monday February 3. Our hope is that Tribal leaders attending the Subsistence Meeting will return home via Bethel on the 4th, and stop over in Bethel to attend this important series of meetings starting the evening of the 4th and ending at 5pm on

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February 6th. Calista is willing to financially assist one representative from each Tribal village to attend the Regional Committee meeting by covering the cost of air transportation and hotel on February 5 and 6. We hope that you or your designee will be able to attend as the representative of your Tribal Village.

Please contact Frieda Seebold at Calista Corporation at 907-868-2438 (direct) or Calista office at 800-277-5516 toll free with the name of your designated tribal representative and his/her position as either a Tribal Council Member or Administrator. Frieda will assist you with travel arrangements.

Attached is a copy of the Calista' board's resolution which created the committee. It contains a description of the procedures that will be followed and the intended output expected from the committee by year end 2014. We encourage you to come with an open mind so that all will be able to listen to one another appreciate one another's concerns.

Sincerely,

CALISTA CORPORATION



Andrew Guy, President & CEO

Enclosure



RESOLUTION 13-25

Establishment of Regional Committee

WHEREAS, Calista Corporation (Calista) is concerned that the Native people of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Region ("Y-K Region"), a group that includes Calista shareholders and descendants, have not been treated fairly under federal and state laws designed to address their social and economic needs and concerns; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act ("ANCSA") purported to require the people of the Y-K Region to relinquish title and control over nearly all of the lands and resources in Alaska under their aboriginal control for thousands of years in exchange for commitments of state and federal governmental economic and social support, and promises to protect subsistence resources; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Reorganization Act ("IRA") caused the Y-K Region to be fractured into 56 smaller tribal groups, thereby diminishing their political power and sovereignty; and

WHEREAS, since the enactment of ANCSA, and the IRA, the Native peoples of the Y-K Region have experienced a variety of negative effects, including the erosion of subsistence fishing rights, the conversion of the traditional subsistence economies to for-profit corporate operations, the inadequate provision of federal and state governmental services and infrastructure support, an epidemic affliction of social problems such as substance abuse, and suicide, and a dramatic weakening of the ability to self-regulate through diminished sovereignty and power of self-determination;

WHEREAS, the regional non-profit organizations have worked hard to resolve the social issues affecting our region, yet face challenges that are beyond their means to fully resolve; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of ANCSA, Calista Corporation is charged with the duty of improving the socio-economic wellbeing of its shareholders and their descendants in their aboriginal homeland, the Y-K Region; and

WHEREAS, the Calista Corporation Board of Directors is of the belief that it is in the best interests of the Corporation and its shareholders that there be an assessment of ANCSA, and the IRA, and their impact on the Native peoples of the Y-K Region and to develop a strategic plan to obtain the appropriate and necessary remedies from the United States and State of Alaska governments for the negative effects associated with ANCSA, the IRA and other governmental actions impacting the Native peoples of the Y-K Region; and

WHEREAS, a successful path forward for the Corporation and its shareholders is dependent upon working collectively with as many of the people, governments, corporations, and non-profit organizations in the Y-K Region as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that there is hereby established a Y-K Delta Regional Committee ("Regional Committee") as a special committee of the Board to conduct an

assessment of ANCSA, and the IRA, and their impact on the Native peoples of the Y-K Region and to develop a strategic plan to obtain the appropriate and necessary remedies from the United States and State of Alaska governments for the negative effects associated with ANCSA, the IRA and other governmental actions impacting the Native peoples of the Y-K Region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Regional Committee be comprised of:

- 1) The Chairman of the Calista board of directors who shall act as the Chairman of the Regional Committee and one additional director of Calista Corporation;
- 2) The President of Calista Corporation;
- 3) One (1) representative of each of the Native village governments;
- 4) One (1) representative of each village corporation in the Y-K Region; and
- 5) One (1) representative from each of the regional non-profit organizations AVCP, AVCP Housing and YKHC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Regional Committee shall have such power as necessary to provide advice and recommendations to the Board of Directors of Calista Corporation in the Board's efforts to (i) conduct an assessment of ANCSA, the IRA, related legal and political actions, and their impact on the Native peoples of the Y-K Region and (ii) develop a strategic plan to correct the deficiencies and negative effects associated with state and federal governmental actions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Regional Committee shall create a steering committee comprised of representatives from each of Calista's Administrative Units 1-10 and Calista's two directors and President, and each of the non-profit organizations. Each Unit shall elect or appoint one representative to serve on the steering committee. The steering committee shall present a proposed strategic plan and work products to the Regional Committee by year end 2014 for final decisions and recommendation by the Regional Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Regional Committee shall communicate its final decisions and recommendations to the Calista Board of Directors by year end 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Calista Board authorizes inclusion in the Calista Corporation Board of Directors' budget of \$200,000 to fund the work of the Regional Committee for the 2014 Calendar year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Calista's Chairman of the Board and Calista's President are authorized to take all actions necessary to implement the purpose of this resolution.

DATED this 5th day of December 2013.



CALISTA CORPORATION


Margaret Pohjola, Secretary