

May 5, 2008

Dear Governor Palin,

Please support SB 221. The Copper Basin energy costs are climbing daily. Gas is over \$4.00 a gallon and our heat bills are approaching \$1,000 per month for average households. Businesses are looking at a minimum of 40% increase in their energy costs this year alone.

Our local co-op has been working to do something about the crisis cause by high oil prices. With the \$5 million that SB 221 can provide we can begin to get off fossil fuel and upgrade our systems to ultimately bring energy costs back in line. The co-op is looking at long-term solutions which are the right way to approach this issue.

Please support SB 221 and help us folks here in the Copper Basin help ourselves in finding real solutions to a problem that will force people to leave Alaska without your support

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathryn Hurtley', written in a cursive style.

Kathryn Hurtley