

Dear Governor Palin:

I am a 39 year resident of Alaska and currently reside in the Copper Basin area. This rural area's electrical power is supplied by Copper Valley Electric Association; a member owned, non-profit cooperative. Currently CVEA is working on several projects to help stymie the increasing cost of power. Specifically please support the appropriations for CVEA included on page 38 of the capital budget (SB 221). The current economic decline, due to the high oil prices, is driving many residents out of rural Alaska. With your support, this would help elevate some of the increasing cost of living in our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erik Brenden', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Erik Brenden