

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc****Federal Tax ID: 92-0035763****Project Title:****Project Type:** Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades

Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc - Lower Kuskokwim Energy Improvements

State Funding Requested: \$5,000,000**House District: 38 / S**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

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Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$5,000,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$5,000,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

Detailed Project Description and Justification:**Lower Kuskokwim Energy Improvements**

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The requested funding amount will permit necessary improvements in non-AVEC communities, preparatory to them voluntarily joining the existing 54 member communities served by AVEC.

Currently BUC serves Napaskiak and Oscarville. We would plan, design and construct electrical interties to tie in Napaskiak, Nunapitchuk, Kasigluk, Atmauthluak, Kwethluk, Akiachak and Akiak.

Project Timeline:

Projects in the Lower Kuskokwim region could begin September 2012.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No