May 23, 2023

Ms. Kristi A. Warden  
Division Director, Airports Division, Alaska Region  
U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration  
222 West 7th Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7587

Dear Ms. Warden,

The Alaska Chamber (the Chamber) writes in support of NorthLink Aviation’s south campus terminal project (the Project) sponsored by Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport (ANC).

The Alaska Chamber was founded in 1953 and is Alaska’s largest statewide business advocacy organization. Our mission is to promote a healthy business environment in Alaska. Our members are from every industry and business size across the state. The Chamber has more than 700 members, representing 58,000 Alaskan workers and $4.6b in annual wages.

The Chamber has reviewed the Environmental Assessment (EA) published on April 28, 2023, as well as the draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and draft Record of Decision (ROD) and supports the adoption of the EA and issuance of a final FONSI and ROD.

This project will have a positive economic impact on a statewide scale, allowing ANC to expand and meet global cargo demands to continue to be one of the world’s leading cargo hubs.

The proposed project is on land designated for cargo growth, according to the 2014 ANC Master Plan, and is a strategic location for cargo facilities. This project will also have limited to no impact on environmental resources and in fact seeks to implement a solution at ANC to recover and recycle deicing fluid, preventing approximately 700,000 to 1,000,000 gallons per year of propylene glycol from deicing fluid flowing into Cook Inlet.

In closing, the Chamber supports the adoption of the EA and issuance of a final FONSI and ROD. Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

Kati Capozzi
President & CEO