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Subject: RE: REAL ID Extension Request - Alaska

Director Brewster,

Thank you and the State of Alaska for your extension request. I will process your request and forward an approval response letter within the next few days.

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me either by email or phone at

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Sincerely,

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Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Mr. Williams:

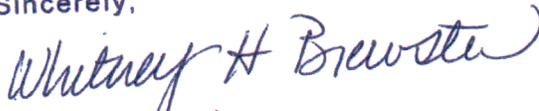
Pursuant to Section 205(b) of the REAL ID Act of 2005, states may request an extension of time to comply with the requirements of this Act.

Considering the number of unknown variables surrounding the REAL ID Act and presently facing states nationwide, Alaska requests an extension to the May 11, 2008 implementation date. Based on the final rules recently issued by the Department of Homeland Security, it is understood that this extension will allow Alaska to use its current system for issuing identification and driver licenses through December 31, 2009. This extension will provide Alaska additional time to review and project the impact of the final REAL ID Act regulations.

Alaska continues to strive to improve its processes and is committed to implementing best practices.

Thank you for consideration of this extension request. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,



Whitney Brewster
Director

cc: Sarah Palin, Governor
Annette Kreitzer, Commissioner of Administration
Karleen Jackson, Commissioner of Health and Social Services
Craig Campbell, Commissioner of Military and Veterans Affairs
John Katz, Director of Federal and State Relations, Office of
Governor Sarah Palin