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TO: Scott Pegau, Research Program Manager, Oil Spill Recovery Institute

FROM: Chris Burns, Preparedness Coordinator

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SUBJECT: Jaime Schauff Internship

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On behalf of the Alaska Chadux Corporation, I would like to thank your organization for sponsoring Jaime Schauff as Chadux's Preparedness Intern this summer. When Ms. Schauff joined Chadux in late May, she was working to transition from a career in the medical field. Her studies in the UAA Occupational Safety and Health program and a background in commercial fishing made her a non-traditional and unique recruit for the oil spill response industry. Over the summer we were able to introduce her to many aspects of our business, including:

- Facility and vessel contingency plan review
- ICS in theory (ICS 100 and 200) and in practice (logistics and planning functions in several incidents)
- Members of the spill response community including regulatory representatives at a GRS strategy session and members of several spill response teams and IMTs during deployment and tabletop exercises
- Response strategies and tactics in a variety of environments from fast-moving rivers, to flooded cities, to the marine environment

While the rapid pace of responses this summer did limit our ability to conduct in-house training with Jaime, she managed to accumulate experience while Chadux was employed on real

incidents. Currently she is our newest full-time employee and is helping us refine and oversee our Vessel of Opportunity (VOO) program.

As per the internship requirements, I have included Jaime's written summary of her experience this summer with Alaska Chadux. I believe that we have submitted all our invoices for her wages at this time so we have officially concluded the internship. Chadux has certainly benefited from the program and I have no substantive recommendations for changing its format or administration.

Alaska Chadux and its membership appreciate OSRI's support for the oil spill response community and we look forward to future collaborations.

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Chris Burns

ALASKA CHADUX CORPORATION

From May 11, 2013 to Sept 11, 2013, I served as the Preparedness Intern at the Alaska Chadux Corporation. During my internship I developed a better understanding as to how oil spills affect marine waters and environmentally protected lands, and how response organizations can minimize the impacts of spilled petroleum products. The internship also provided me with an opportunity to become involved in the planning, support and execution of an incident response.

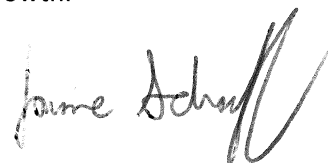
While interning with Alaska Chadux I was able to see how a non-profit oil spill organization operates and learned about Chadux's compliance services for its members. I had the opportunity to review State of Alaska Oil Discharge Prevention and Contingency plans that link Alaska Chadux with its members. I also participated in a review meeting for Geographical Response Strategies (GRS) in Western Alaska. My work on the planning side of the response process helped me understand how Chadux is set up to respond to incidents with hubs around the state of Alaska.

Much of my internship was taken up by the sinking of the fishing tender Lone Star. On June 30th 2013 Alaska Chadux received a call from the United States Coast Guard that a 78ft fishing tender had sunk in the Igushik River. Alaska Chadux mobilized on July 1st to Dillingham to help mitigate the potential impact of an oil spill in the fisheries in the Igushik River. On July 3, I joined the response efforts in Dillingham and began to provide logistical and planning support for the incident. I dealt with lodging, transportation, communication, and financial issues associated with the response and served as a liaison between the incident command post in Anchorage and the response personnel in the field. In this capacity I worked with the representative from the responsible party, local contractors, and regulatory representatives from the USCG, ADEC, ADF&G, and USF&WS. I also coordinated air operations for the incident, arranging flight schedules for personnel and supplies to be delivered to the Lone Star by helicopter.

In Dillingham I was able to use the training that was provided during my internship. I applied the skills I learned in Incident Command System training I-100 and I-200 out in the field. The incident illustrated the importance of several key ICS principles including chain of command, span of control, and the planning process. I gained familiarity with Chadux's oil spill response equipment and how it was employed to clean up spilled petroleum in addition to the process of mobilizing and demobilizing the equipment from Anchorage to the field and back.

My internship with Alaska Chadux provided me with an extraordinary opportunity to continue my studies, work, and be part of oil spill response organization. The knowledge and the hands-on experience that I received this summer made this the best internship that I have received. This experience proved to be extremely useful in pursuing a career in an oil spill response organization. At the end of my internship I was I was extended an offer to become part of the Alaska Chadux team and on September 11, I was officially hired on as a full time employee.

I would like to thank the Oil Spill Recovery Institute for supporting my internship with the Alaska Chadux Corporation. Prior to my internship I was headed in the career path as a safety professional, however once finished with my internship I found that working for an oil spill response organization was a career that I wanted to pursue because of its opportunities and growth.

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