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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Permit for extended use of the Chugach National Forest.

Points North Heli Adventures is a well known operation that gives access to people who wish to enjoy and honor and preserve one of the most beautiful areas of the world in and around Cordova, Alaska in the Chugach National Forest.

I had the amazing experience this winter to visit Cordova with all its charm and friendly people with Points North Heli Adventures. They gave me the chance to meet local people and experience the friendly atmosphere of the town. They gave me the experience of a lifetime to fly into the mountains, see and feel the awesome views and beauty as I skied down the slopes of the Chugach Mountains. They took us to areas with lakes and glaciers and of course seeing the bay with all the sea otters and birds. We saw other wild life too such as the elk. As a conservationist and environmentalist, I have explored lands across the world, but nothing like this area. I have spoken to many of my fellow ski instructors who would love to be able to come see this area as well as the unexplored area in the Chugach National Forest.

Here are a few things that Points North Heli Adventures would do in reference to the environment:

1. Points North Heli Adventures is and would continue to help manage and preserve this area of the Chugach National Forest by increasing awareness and access to the beauty of nature by allowing skiers to glide over the snow without doing harm to the environment.

2. They do and would continue to help manage carefully and responsibly the area with minimal impact.

3. They would continue to help preserve open space to be enjoyed by all for its beauty and peacefulness.

4. They would use the space in the wintertime when it is covered with snow so there would be very little impact to the ecosystem.

5. They would use the area safely when weather permits so that no harm would be done to the land, to the wildlife and to the people both locally and out of town folks.

I look forward to explore the extended areas of the Chugach Forest National Park Region with Points North in the years to come so that I can continue to gain better understanding of the depth of beauty of this environment.

Thank you for your time and consideration in granting a permit to Points North Heli Adventures to use this extended area for the coming years.

Sincerely,

Didi Joan Kearsley