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Dear Senator Fred Dyson,

I'm Linda Eichelberger and I'm with the Alaska Railroad. I've been in the tourism business here in Anchorage for 15 years. I did start working at the Railroad in 2004, in Passenger Services. The numbers of passengers that have booked for the summer of 2009 have dramatically dropped off this year. I am very concerned because Tourism is how I support my family. I have lived in Eagle River since 1995. We need to increase our Marketing in Tourism. We need your support on HB 167 and SB 138. We can not afford to have tourism drop in sales. Tourism is one of Alaska's top industries and we need to do everything possible to insure that it is going to be a good year for Alaska.

Thank you, for you attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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