

CIRI Foundation receives CIRI donation

Cook Inlet Region, Inc. made a donation of more than \$267,000 to its non-profit educational corporation, The CIRI Foundation last August. The Foundation provides educational scholarships and training opportunities for CIRI's Alaska Native shareholders and their descendants.

The large donation matched the total amount received over the past 10 years by CIRI's annual golf classic fund raising event. The Annual CIRI Gold Classic also raised more than \$40,000 for the Foundation.

"This decision by CIRI's Board and management to match the donations made over the past decade underlines our commitment to providing CIRI shareholders with educational opportunities," said CIRI Senior Vice President Carl H. Marrs. "In a



Roy Huhndorf presents a check for \$267,050 to Dr. Lydia Hayes, executive director of the CIRI Foundation. The donation is used for scholarships for CIRI shareholders and their families.

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larger sense, the scholarships represent a gift to the entire state, because encouraging our young people to pursue career and edu-

cational goals is vital to the health of Alaska's business community. This truly is an investment in Alaska's future."