Anchorage Trailer Sales subject of complaint

The State Attorney General's Consumer Protection Office has filed an eight-count complaint against a Bering Straits Native Corporation subsidiary company, according to a story in The Bering Straits newspaper of Nome.

The newspaper reported that a civil complaint, charging deceptive pricing and selling practices, forgery of a sales contract and false contract disclosures was filed this month against Anchorage Trailer Sales.

The complaint charges that the company's prices, and down payment amounts do not represent actual sales prices and down payments due, that the firm failed to reimburse purchases for certain tax payments in violation of contracts, and that "bait-and switch" tactics were used by sales personnel.

The complaint filed asks an injuction against the allegedly deceptive practices, refunds in those transactions and civil penalties.

Bering Straits owns 80 percent of Anchorage Trailer Sales. The firms former owners hold 20 percent and continue to manage the business, Bering Straits said.