

# Alcan cites 'breakthrough'

Northwest Pipeline Corporation recently described the Federal Power Commission (FPC) decision to accept further evidence on Alaskan natural gas transportation systems as "a major break-through for the Alcan Pipeline Project."

The FPC ruled that it would accept for consideration the Alcan Pipeline Project's new 48-inch alternative express pipeline system which had previously been filed for consideration by the National Energy Board of Canada.

John G. McMillian, chairman and president of Alcan Pipeline Company and its parent, Northwest Pipeline Corporation, said "We are pleased by this action on part of the Federal Power Commission since we believe it indicates that the Commission realizes that it must develop a balanced evaluation of the Alcan Project with the most current available information. We're delighted that the FPC Commissioners have decided to give Alcan's new proposal further consideration."