

# **Hensley: AFN, Inc. Does Not Oppose Alaska Pipeline**

State Senator Willie Hensley, President of AFN, Inc. announced that the Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc. has not taken a position in opposition to the proposed Trans-Alaska Pipeline.

According to Senator Hensley, recent opposition to the pipeline by Doyon Limited has been misconstrued by some to be the position of the Federation.

Senator Hensley stated that: "Doyon Limited, representing the Indians of the Interior, is the only region in the Federation that has come out in opposition to the Pipeline."

The position taken by the Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc. during its lobbying on the Pipeline Right-Of-Way Bill has been in support of the Pipeline with assurance of protection to those living in the general area of the Right-Of-Way; reimbursement for losses to the Alaska Native Fund due to delay in oil and gas production; and assurances for jobs and training during and after construction of the Pipeline.