

# Letters from Here and There

## Calista Replies

(EDITOR'S NOTE: "The following letter is a reply to a letter received and printed by the Tundra Times on May 15, 1974. The writer had criticized Calista Corporation for certain actions. The opinions expressed in Mr. Kairainak's letter and in the following reply, as well as all other opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor published in this newspaper, do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tundra Times. We encourage full airing of controversial matters and have a policy of printing all letters that are not scandalous, obscene or frivolous. On the issue in question, we encourage fuller public and private discussions among the officers and stockholders of Calista Corporation, and will print any further letters on the subject that conform to our policy.")

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June 5, 1974

Editor  
Tundra Times  
P.O. Box 1287  
Fairbanks, Alaska 99707

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to the letters that are being written (apparently) for Charlie Kairaiuk and circulated to all the papers in the State by the environmentalist groups.

First, Nunam Kitlutsisti, is the nearest Yupik word for the Friends of the Earth. We all know who, in Bethel, is being subsidized by the Friends of the Earth.

If Charlie Kairaiuk had any concern for "His People," he would know better than to ask for a complete and unedited copy of this, or any other contract of Calista to be published in a newspaper; or in any way expose our action to the public.

No corporation operates in an open-book fashion. No corporation can operate like a government and expect to survive. No corporation would ever give out information to anyone who was not entitled to that information. If Charlie Kairaiuk is so concerned, why doesn't he proceed in the proper fashion to review — in person — the corporate books and contracts of Calista, as any shareholder has the right to do?

Charlie Kairaiuk likes his name in print. Let him do his own writing. I challenge him to sit before you, the editor, or any panel and have him display his ability and need to write in this manner.

Every time a shareholder of Calista joins any other group to fight the business in which he shares ownership, he is fighting for the failure of that business. If this is the case, can we feel that Charlie Kairaiuk is concerned for the rest of the Calista shareholders? No. He is only on an ego trip funded by people who have subversive motives toward Calista.

As for all the questions by Charlie Kairaiuk that were left unanswered at the AVCP meeting, or at any other time, I feel that he either didn't understand the question, or he didn't understand the answer.

As for the Shell Oil contract: there has never been a better contract made with an oil company on the United States soil. We just didn't run out and make

a "deal" as Charlie Kairaiuk tries to imply. We negotiated for 19 months with many oil companies; one time in Denver, Colo. with 28 of them.

In December, 1973, I asked the Board of Calista to fund a program for \$3 million. Eddie Hoffman felt that it was wrong to spend the peoples' money for a seismic program, when we had a good offer from Shell. All I ask, is why, if anyone (including Charlie Kairaiuk's letter writers) feel that there was a "deal" made, charges aren't filed against us. That way we would be thoroughly investigated. It would also show when we are cleared of these false accusations that people like Charlie Kairaiuk like their names in print, even if they don't know what they are saying.

Sincerely,  
Fred Notti  
Land Committee  
Calista Corporation