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Dear Jay:

Everyone around here was wondering all day yesterday what kind of response you would have to Tuesday's stories, and I just kept saying you were a man of class and your response would be perfect. It was.

I'm sure you know that we were conservative in our presentation, as strange as that may sound. We left out tons of material, and we didn't use anything that we had not confirmed through several sources.

Since I love Alaska, and as you know I have very special reasons to love your state, the whole thing has given me mixed emotions. All in all, we simply had to do the stories, and we had to tell them as strongly as we felt we could. Obviously, we feel a very strong commitment now to watching the state very closely over the next few months. So we'll be in touch.

And again, congratulations on your response. Alaska's damn lucky to have you.

**Sincerely,
Lee Dye**