

Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

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Jacob Resneck, CoastAlaska Regional News Director

Via email: jacob@coastalaska.org

Dear Mr. Resneck:

On March 7, 2022, the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) received your request for "electronic copies of filings by parties responding under DOT&PF's "request for interest" 2522S052 regarding disposal/sale of the M/V Malaspina."

This request is partially denied as the documents are still under review and are deliberative at this time, so their production is denied under 2 AAC 96.335(a)(4). The terms listed in RFI 2522S052, Page 2: "Responses to this RFI are for informational purposes only and shall be held confidential until the state closes the sale of the M/V Malaspina." When the sale of the M/V Malaspina is final, the documents will be available under a future request.

I am authorized by the Commissioner of DOT&PF to deny public records requests. You may administratively appeal this denial by complying with 2 AAC 96.340. An administrative appeal requires no appeal bond. Also, you may seek immediate judicial review by seeking an injunction from the superior court under AS 40.25.125. Not pursuing an injunction will not adversely affect your rights in appealing the denial to the Commissioner of DOT&PF at the address provided above. Please find a copy of the pertinent regulatory language for 2 AAC 96.335 – 2 AAC 96.350 enclosed.

Questions may be directed to Sam Dapcevich at 907-465-4503 or sam.dapcevich@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

Rob Carpenter

Deputy Commissioner

Enclosure