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March 31 Deadline to Apply for 2008 PFD Fast Approaching

Juneau – The deadline to apply for the 2008 PFD is rapidly approaching. The 2008 application period will close at midnight, March 31. Alaskans can save time by filing online at www.pfd.alaska.gov.

PFD Director Deborah Richter encourages applicants to file online, "Applying online is fast and efficient. Applicants immediately receive a confirmation number – proof that the PFD Division has received their application." As of mid-day March 19, over 423,723 Alaskans had applied online – 3,127 more applicants than the total of all 2007 online applicants.

Every Alaskan can apply online for their 2008 PFD. Alaskans who register for a myAlaska account can electronically sign their PFD application through the state's myAlaska program. Visit www.pfd.alaska.gov to learn more about the electronic signature program and to set up a myAlaska account.

Public computers are available in the PFD Offices in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Juneau, and PFD staff can assist applicants with the online application and electronic signature processes. Applicants may email dor.pfd.info@alaska.gov with questions or may call the Division's toll-free number 1-800-733-8813 for assistance.

Online applications must be received by the PFD Division *before* midnight, March 31, Alaska Standard Time (AST). The website will shut down *at* midnight. Applications that are in process when the website shuts down will not be accepted. Online applicants must receive a PFD Confirmation Number *before* midnight, March 31.

On Monday, March 31, hand delivered applications will be accepted at all Dividend Offices between 10 am and 4:30 pm. Because March 31 is a state holiday, applicants in Juneau will need to access the State Office Building through the Willoughby Street entrance. Mailed applications must be *postmarked* on or before March 31, 2008.

Eligible applicants that applied online in January and selected and qualified for direct deposit will get paid in the early direct deposit on October 2, 2008. All other eligible applicants who select and qualify for direct deposit will get paid on October 16. The Division will begin mailing checks to all other eligible applicants on November 14. The 2008 application period closes March 31, and the 2008 dividend amount will be announced mid-September, 2008.
