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Refinancing Saves Alaska \$8.7 Million

Juneau- The State of Alaska has issued \$94,425,000 of general obligation refinancing bonds through the 2015B series. On March 24, 2015, the State accessed the capital markets through Citigroup Global Markets for the refinancing of Alaska's 2009A general obligation bonds. The bonds were originally sold to finance transportation projects in the State of Alaska in April 2009. The 2020 through 2029 maturities were refinanced from an average coupon rate of 4.905286% to a true interest cost rate of 2.383336%.

This transaction is the second sale of general obligation bond securities this year and was sold to achieve savings. By lowering the interest rate by over 2.5% the state will save \$8,751,517 over the next 15 years with a present value of \$7,540,174. Just over \$2 million of the savings will be realized in fiscal year 2016.

The General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes were rated Aaa by Moody's Investors Service, AAA by Standard & Poor's and AAA by Fitch Ratings.

Revenue Commissioner Randy Hoffbeck said, "This sale's result highlights the value of the State of Alaska's strong credit ratings."

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