

- TWO ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN:  
1) Add sentence to RPA Platform Plank I-F  
2) Pass Resolution regarding GRETC

## EXISTING RPA PLATFORM

[www.alaskarepublicans.com/PartyPlatform.aspx](http://www.alaskarepublicans.com/PartyPlatform.aspx)

Does not contain the word “utility or utilities”. It is appropriately a very high level document. It does contain these planks:

### I. JOBS AND THE ECONOMY

A. We support the free enterprise system.

D. We seek efficiency and accountability by having state government not provide those services that can be more efficiently provided by the private sector or local government.

F. We support the development of energy and technology infrastructure to facilitate business investment in Alaska. *Such infrastructure will benefit Alaskans most if built and operated by the private, competitive sector whenever possible.*

The sentence to be added to Plank F (*in italics*) is necessary to make it absolutely clear that such infrastructure preferentially should not be State owned and operated. With the gigantic GRETC proposal the state is not following the Republican Party Platform planks I-A and I-D above.

## RESOLUTION REGARDING GRETC

[proposed Greater Railbelt Energy and Transmission Company]

WHEREAS, modern, affordable, efficient energy supplies and electrical power is essential to the people of the State of Alaska;

WHEREAS, Alaskans have seen tremendous benefits from competition in what was once erroneously defended as the “natural monopoly” telephone system,

WHEREAS, Alaskans strongly favor free enterprise and competition and oppose central government planning, micro-management, and government take-over of the energy and electrical sectors by the State of Alaska or its political appointees,

WHEREAS, the opening of natural gas and electric markets to free enterprise private sector competition has lead to technical innovation, efficiencies, increased energy supplies and competitive pricing of natural gas and electricity in the U.S., North America, and around the World,

WHEREAS, Alaskans would benefit from the opening of natural gas and electric utility markets to free enterprise private sector competition, innovation and pricing,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The \_\_\_\_\_ would like to strongly encourage the Governor and the Legislature of the State of Alaska to:

- 1) Cease and desist from forming new State Agencies or new quasi-public/private Corporations governed by State of Alaska political appointees and self-protecting utilities holding monopoly service territories.
- 2) Support energy, natural gas and electrical sector reforms that favor open competitive entry by free enterprise private sector firms to drive down the currently high costs being paid by Railbelt consumers.
- 3) Modernize state regulation in the energy sectors to open up the existing protected utility monopolies to free enterprise and competition.