



For Immediate Release

Alaska Commercial Company to relocate store in Utqiagvik, Alaska

Anchorage, October 31, 2019 - Alaska Commercial Company (ACC) is pleased to announce the relocation of its ACC Utqiagvik store to 229 Pisokak Street, close to the airport on November 1, 2019. Community members are invited to come say hello to the ACC team and check out grand opening specials that will be offered throughout the store, with special holiday events up until New Years. All seniors will find great savings with a senior food discount, extended to all residents 60 years or older, each and every day of the week.

“ACC is taking the opportunity to invest in a new store and in the community of Utqiagvik while at the same time reducing operating costs, allowing ACC to offer lower everyday prices to customers,” stated Walter Pickett, Vice President and General Manager, ACC. “While the location is changing, you will still find familiar, friendly faces in the store with ACC employing over 50 local residents,” added Pickett.

The new location will offer longer hours Monday-Saturday from 7:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. and on Sundays from 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. local time. Customers will continue to enjoy fresh meat, dairy and produce that meet ACC’s quality guarantee to their customers. The financial services that the community has been accustomed to such as check cashing, money orders, wire transfers and an ATM, will continue to be offered.

For the past 37 years ACC has been an important part of the community, donating to causes like Arctic Women in Crisis, Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope, American Diabetes Association and many more. ACC will continue to support charitable local causes moving forward including a donation of \$5000 to the Arctic Education Foundation, coinciding with the store opening. The new store is just the beginning for Utqiagvik. ACC’s commitment to the community will continue to take shape over the coming years with many more positive and exciting changes anticipated.

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About Alaska Commercial Company

Alaska Commercial Company – a division of The North West Company – is the largest retailer in rural Alaska, with 33 combination food, general merchandise and Quickstop stores, more than 950 employees. It has invested over \$60 million of capital in the retail operations that serve these communities over the last 10 years and purchases nearly \$7 million in local goods and services annually.

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