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I don't believe that all the potential options were properly examined.

In particular, the Eklutna PSH proposal would meet ALL the objectives sought. It would restore the lake to it's natural level, permit the complete removal of the existing dam without risk of flooding, and restore year round water to Eklutna River with a natural flow from the mouth of the lake.

Secondly, it in combination with the Little Susitna Mtn wind farm would actually lower and stabilize the cost of electricity for CEA and MEA customers. Keeping electric rates from going up - though not one of the objectives of the Eklutna rehabilitation - is a fundamental duty of our utilities. It's wrong to think that "there is no room to reexamine the option or other alternatives regardless of the impacts to rate and taxpayers". It would be totally a neglect of duty (and possibly illegal) to disregard the cost of this decision.

Hydropower is both cheaper and more reliable than natural gas, especially here. Remember that it was a natural gas failure that drove our recent cold weather near catastrophe.

Respectfully,
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