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Ahtna, Incorporated is proud to announce that Michelle Nutter Anderson has been named President of Ahtna, Incorporated.

Anderson, whose selection by the Ahtna board of directors was announced on Friday, September 16, 2011, is an Ahtna shareholder and has served in various executive roles within the Ahtna family of companies.



*Photo courtesy Ahtna, Incorporated Michelle Nutter Anderson*

Anderson will be assuming her new position on October 19, 2011 and will begin the transition process with the current President, Kenneth Johns. Johns, who will be retiring in the spring of 2012, has lead Ahtna, Incorporated for the past 13 years.

“As a shareholder, I am deeply grateful to our Board for their support and confidence in me,” Anderson said. “I am committed 100% to the success of our shareholders, our villages and Ahtna. I am so excited to begin this amazing opportunity.”

Nicholas Jackson, Chairman of the Ahtna, Incorporated board, said Anderson “will do a good job for our shareholders. Michelle’s heart is with our shareholders and we are pleased she is returning to the Ahtna family.”

Originally from Gulkana, Anderson’s parents are Larry Nutter and the late Louise Nutter (Ewan). Her grandparents are the late Markle Sr. and Eileen Ewan of Gulkana. Anderson has a Bachelor’s degree in Political Science from the University of Alaska, Anchorage and a Master’s degree in Rural Development from the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

Ahtna, Incorporated is one of 13 regional corporations formed under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971. With 1,667 shareholders, Ahtna is the Alaska Native regional corporation serving the Cantwell and Copper River Valley areas.

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