

**BY EMAIL**

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Re: Request for Records – JAG Marine Group

Ms. Hamann:

Your February 9, 2026, correspondence requests that I “narrow and modify [my] request by providing specific date ranges as this request is very broad.”

My public records request, filed with your office on December 12, 2025, seeks the release of four categories of records within AIDEA’s possession:

- (1) Any agreements relating to the transfer of operations from Vigor Alaska LLC to JAG Marine Group, as referenced in AIDEA Resolution No. 25-05 (enacted on August 15, 2025);
- (2) The long term use-and-occupancy agreement entered into between AIDEA and JAG, as referenced in the same AIDEA Resolution No. 25-05;
- (3) Any JAG applications for or receipt of tax credits, loans, grants or other financial inducements, in connection with its operation of the Ketchikan Shipyard; and
- (4) Any and all written communications, including e-mail communications, relating to JAG Marine Group’s operation of the shipyard.

Requests (1) and (2) seek the production of discrete agreements referenced in official resolutions of AIDEA’s Board of Directors. Request (3) seeks the production of records relating to the application for or receipt of financial inducements by JAG Marine Group in connection with its operation of the Ketchikan Shipyard, which again only took effect late last year. I do not believe these requests can be tailored any more narrowly. And while I am aware of and sensitive to the burdens of document production, the records sought in Requests (1), (2) and (3) should be

easily producible. **Please confirm whether AIDEA will provide records responsive to Requests (1), (2) and (3), and when.**

We agree to modify Request (4) to state: “Any and all written communications, including e-mail communications, relating to the transition of operations at the Ketchikan Shipyard from Vigor Alaska to JAG Marine Group, as referenced in AIDEA Resolution No. 25-05.” Responsive communications likely occurred between March 4, 2025, when AIDEA announced it would not be extending its agreement with Vigor, and November 25, 2025, when AIDEA announced its partnership with JAG Marine Group.

Regarding costs and fees, I am requesting a reduction and/or waiver under Alaska Statute §40.25.110(d), on the grounds that my request is in the public interest. **It is in the public interest to know how AIDEA effected the transition of operations at the Ketchikan Shipyard to JAG Marine Group.** The Shipyard is a vital economic resource owned by the State of Alaska. Consider the following facts:

- On March 4, 2025, AIDEA [announced](#) that it was looking for a new private operator to take over the Ketchikan Shipyard, and that it would “soon issue a Request for Information (RFI) to identify new opportunities and potential operators for the Shipyard to ensure a seamless transition once Vigor’s operations under its present contract conclude.”
- On May 7, 2025, the Ketchikan Daily News [reported](#) that at a public meeting at the Ted Ferry Civic Center, AIDEA Executive Director Randy Ruaro backed off of the prior commitment to issue an RFI, stating that AIDEA would instead proceed directly to a Request for Proposals (RFP).
- On July 13, 2025, the Chilkat Valley News reported that AIDEA still “has not released information about its process for, or progress in, securing a new operator for the Ketchikan Shipyard.”
- On July 23, 2025, Tim Jagielski registered the formation of the entity JAG Ketchikan, LLC, with the Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, a full 23 calendar days before AIDEA Resolution No. 25-05 was passed by the AIDEA Board of Directors. JAG Ketchikan is the JAG Marine Group subsidiary now responsible for operation of the Ketchikan Shipyard.
- On August 15, 2025, AIDEA’s Board of Directors enacted AIDEA Resolution No. 25-05, authorizing the transfer of operations from Vigor Alaska to JAG Marine Group.

Resolution No. 25-05 states, in part: “AIDEA regulations [3 AAC 100.050(b)(1)] and Alaska statutes, AS 36.30.85(5) and (6), and other state laws exempt an agreement to operate or lease the shipyard from the procurement code.” My attorneys are currently reviewing the accuracy of this claim. But accurate or not, AIDEA’s reliance upon an exception to Alaska’s competitive procurement laws, in order to award the operation of the Ketchikan Shipyard to JAG Marine Group, only deepens the public’s interest in the requested records, as they may be the only evidence of what actually transpired.

Sincerely,

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