

February 28 Coalition Meeting Recap

The focus of the February 28 Southcentral Mayors' Energy Coalition Meeting was the formation of the Technical Committee. Anchorage Mayor Dave Bronson introduced the chair, Scott Jepsen, to the coalition. Scott Jepsen gave an overview of his work history, his thoughts on the current Cook Inlet natural gas situation, and he also took questions from the mayors. The discussion included the previous natural gas shortages, the economic and political factors affecting the Cook Inlet Basin and future progress towards alleviating the financial burden on consumers.

From this conversation stemmed a discussion about the mayors' and Technical Committee's role. It is agreed that the mayors' primary purpose is to keep their constituents informed on the Cook Inlet natural gas situation. The Technical Committee's purpose is to provide the Railbelt Mayors with the education and informational foundation to have accurate interactions with constituents. It is also agreed upon that the mayors will support the state government in navigating solutions for the shortage.

Review the full meeting minutes [here](#).