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CIRI/Nabors subsidiary provides services for new oil, development fields on the Slope

Peak Oilfield Services Co. recently won a multi-season crane support contract on Alaska’s North Slope from Italian oil company Eni. Eni is developing a new oil field on the Slope, Nikaitchuq, which it says will produce an estimated 180 million barrels of oil. The field is located at Oliktok Point, north of the Kuparuk field.

Eni had announced the postponement of development at Nikaitchuq in February due to a number of economic and logistical factors. The company submitted a new development plan to Alaska’s Division of Oil and Gas in August, however, which resumed the project’s aggressive timeline.

Peak will primarily support the development of Nikaitchuq with its fleet of heavy cranes, Alaska’s largest. Peak will supply multiple cranes to assemble the facility modules Eni is currently having built in Alaska and the Lower 48.

“Our fleet ranges in size from a 50-ton rough terrain crane to a 350-ton Manitowac crane,” said Patrick Walsh, Peak vice president. “The modules will either be trucked or barged up to the Slope. We’ll come in with our heavy cranes and put together the facilities as the modules arrive.”

Peak has also been supporting ExxonMobil Production Co.’s development of its Point Thomson field this season. Point Thomson is a natural gas and condensate field located 60 miles east of Prudhoe Bay that holds approximately 8 trillion cubic feet of natural gas, about 25 percent of the Slope’s proven gas reserves, and 200 million barrels of condensate.

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Save the date
Fall Friendship Potlatches

Anchorage Friendship Potlatch
Sunday, Oct. 18
Romig Middle School, Anchorage
11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Please RSVP before 5 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 12, by calling (907) 263-5191 and selecting option 5.

Northwest Friendship Potlatch
Saturday, Nov. 7 (corrected)
Chief Leschi School, Puyallup, Wash.
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Please RSVP before 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30, by calling (800) 764-2474 and selecting option 5.

CIRI shareholders interested in displaying or selling arts and crafts at the potlatches should contact Justina Meyer at info@ciri.com or (907) 263-5113.

Don’t miss the special business presentation on CIRI energy from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
I am frequently asked, in my role as CIRI president and CEO, about CIRI’s success in partnering with other companies. I have learned firsthand during my more than 30 years at CIRI the value that good partnerships can add to any business venture, including Alaska Native corporations (ANC).

CIRI and the other ANCs were created by legislative mandate in 1971 to settle Alaska Natives’ aboriginal land claims. The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act gave the ANCs some seed money, land entitlements and a mandate to benefit current and future generations of Alaska Native shareholders. It was an unusual way for companies to start business. In most cases the nascent companies did not have any product, idea or invention that they could develop or sell. Consequently, the early Alaska Native leaders were forced to develop their business acumen quickly.

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Successful partnerships also require clearly-defined decision-making processes that enable all parties to influence decisions in proportion to their investment stakes. The process should be kept as simple as possible to streamline decision making while also respecting the partners’ respective corporate cultures and decision-making structures. CIRI works with many strong, innovative partners that are privately held and organized to enable a few key executives to make quick changes in corporate direction. CIRI has a more deliberate corporate decision process that requires Board of Directors approval for major decisions. Strong partnership agreements account for these differences in decision-making structures without hamstring a project’s operational efficiencies.

Finally, strong partnerships require continuity in partner relations. Continuity does not necessarily mean that the same people must be involved with a project throughout its lifecycle. Instead, it means that corporate relationships and interests remain stable.

I have often heard from potential partners that they worry that ANCs are highly political entities and that their management positions cannot be counted on to be consistent over time. I agree that CIRI and other ANCs experience some interesting board politics, but good business transcends politics and we have stable management teams needed to maintain strong partnerships.

Years ago CIRI was negotiating an exploration agreement with Atlantic Richfield Co., also known as ARCO. During the negotiations, an ARCO official said he feared entering into an agreement because he was uncertain about CIRI’s corporate stability. We overcame this concern and entered into our ARCO 1 agreement, which led to a corporate relationship that lasted many years, during which time ARCO went through at least four top-management changes while CIRI management remained unchanged. ARCO no longer exists, but CIRI does.

CIRI has a reputation for building successful business ventures that are based upon strong, mutually-beneficial partnerships. These strategic relationships help our company leverage its assets while also spreading risk and opening new opportunities. I expect that partnering will remain a key CIRI business strategy for generations to come.
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Peak crane contract continued from page 1

ExxonMobil is in the process of drilling two wells at Point Thomson. Peak provided drilling support services for both wells, included hauling the Nabors 27E drilling rig to the location over an ice road. Peak also hauled numerous barge loads of equipment and material to the Point Thomson location.

Peak provides a wide range of equipment, maintenance, support and construction services to oil, gas and chemical projects on Alaska's North Slope and in Anchorage, the Kenai Peninsula and Valdez. Peak is jointly owned by CIRI and Nabors Industries Ltd. The company has become an industry leader in oil and gas exploration support, heavy hauling, logistics and workplace safety. For more information about Peak, please go online to www.peakalaska.com.

CIRI Spotlight: Ron Simpson

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Simpson published the 800-page historical novel "Legacy of the Chief" himself in 2001 using some of the large dividend CIRI issued to its shareholders that year. He published 1000 copies in hardcover, and another 1000 copies in soft cover a year later. A few copies are still available at the online retailer amazon.com.

Simpson's father had been raised in the Jesse Lee Home in Seward, Alaska, which made it difficult for the family to trace its Alaska Native roots. While researching his book, Simpson found and was able to talk with an uncle, Harry Nicolai, who taught him about his family. Simpson's family was descended from Chief Nicolai, an Athna chief who was credited with making the deal that allowed the Kennecott Mines Company of Alaska to come into the region and build the mines. This discovery of his own heritage had a profound effect on Simpson.

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Theodore wins August Stock Will prize

Vincent Theodore won the August 2009 Stock Will participation prize. To be eligible for the monthly $200 prize drawings, shareholders must have a Will disposing of their CIRI shares on file in CIRI Shareholder Relations. The CIRI Stock Will form and instructions are located on the CIRI Web site at www.ciri.com. To verify whether you have a Will on file, contact CIRI’s probate staff at (997) 263-5191 or toll-free at (800) 764-2474.

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Nonprofit News

UAF offers ANCSA classes
Courses include guest speakers, focus on overview, analysis of Act

The University of Alaska Fairbanks is offering distance-delivered courses on the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) for the fall 2009 semester. UAF is holding the two classes through the Alaska Native & Rural Development Department of their College of Rural & Community Development.

The first class, “Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act: Land Claims in the 21st Century,” is a one-credit Web-based general overview course that is intended to be an introduction to the history and development of ANCSA. This class runs from Oct. 5 through Dec. 18. Interested persons can call (888) 574-6528 to learn how to register and for more information.

The second class, “Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act: Pre-1971 to present,” is a full-semester three-credit upper division/graduate course that provides an advanced overview and analysis of ANCSA. The course features guest speakers such as Willie Hensley, John Borbridge, former U.S. Senator Fred Harris and others who were involved in ANCSA's creation. The course will be conducted online and by audio conference. The class started on Sept. 9 and will conclude on Dec. 18.

Heritage Center seeks applicants for playwriting program
Alaska Native Playwrights Project to mentor indigenous writers, artists in writing Alaska Native plays

The Alaska Native Heritage Center (ANHC) is seeking applicants for the Alaska Native Playwrights Project (ANPP), a new program that identifies and trains Alaska Native writers and other artists who wish to tell their stories and the stories of their people in theatrical form.

ANPP is a ten-month playwriting project that will begin with a five-day intensive writing workshop on Jan. 25-29, 2010. The project seeks to establish a repertoire of uniquely Alaska Native plays derived from the rich oral tradition of Alaska’s Native cultures and the artists' personal narratives.

Ten Alaska Native artists from across the state will be selected for mentorships with recognized professional indigenous playwrights from Alaska and the Lower 48. The mentors will coach the artists in the five-day workshop and assist them through the seven-month process of creating an initial draft of a play.

The time commitment for the project includes the five-day workshop in Anchorage, seven months to write the play in the applicants’ home communities, three teleconferences in April, June and August 2010, and five days in November 2010 for the final staged readings in Anchorage.

All Alaska Native artists are encouraged to apply. Candidates may be emerging or experienced playwrights or artists working in any medium or discipline, including storytellers, poets, dancers, musicians and carvers. Applicants do not have to know how to write a play, only be willing to learn the process.

Applications must be submitted by Monday, Oct. 5. The Heritage Center will notify candidates who are accepted into the program on Monday, Nov. 23. The application and more information about the program can be found online at the Heritage Center's Web site, www.alaskanative.net. Click on the “Calendar of Events” box on the lower left side of the screen, then click on the “Alaska Native Playwrights Project” link under the Calendar of Events.

In addition to the application, candidates must submit a resume, a writing sample up to 10 pages long, a 150-word bio and a 300-word statement of purpose. For more information about the project and the application process, contact Ed Bourgeois, ANHC's director of public programs, at ebourgeois@alaskanative.net or (907) 330-8057.

AFN to hold Convention at Dena’ina Center
Statewide Native gathering to feature documentary, keynote speakers, arts and crafts

The Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) will hold its 2009 Annual Convention on Oct. 22-24 in Anchorage at the Dena’ina Civic & Convention Center. The convention is AFN’s signature event and a gathering point for Alaska Natives and Alaska Native organizations from around the state.

The theme for this year’s convention is “Northern Dreams – Our Historic Journey Continues.” Highlights of the convention will include keynote speakers Willie Hensley and Elizabeth Hensley and a screening of “For the Rights of All: Ending Jim Crow in Alaska,” a one-hour documentary film airing this November on PBS. The documentary traces the history of Alaska’s civil rights movement, including the passage of the Anti-Discrimination Act in 1945 and Tlingit activists Elizabeth and Roy Peratrovich.

Quyana Alaska I and II, the popular Alaska Native dance performance events, will be held on Oct. 22 and 23 from 7 to 10:30 p.m. at the Dena’ina Center. For more information on tickets, call (907) 677-1708. The Native Arts & Crafts Show and the Exhibit Fair/Trade Show will be held at the Dena’ina Center from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Oct. 22 and 23, and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 24. The AFN Banquet will be held on Oct. 24 at 6 p.m. at the Dena’ina Center; e-mail jasowskia@nativefederation.org for more information on tickets.

The AFN convention will be preceded by the First Alaskans Institute/AFN Elders & Youth Conference, which will take place at the Dena’ina Center earlier in the week on Oct. 19-20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

For more information on the convention, please go online to AFN’s Web site, www.nativefederation.org or call (907) 274-3611. More information about the Elders & Youth Conference can be found online at www.firstalaskans.org.

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located at their weir site on CIRI land at Brody Bridge on the Ninilchik River. The purpose of the June workshop was to provide technical education about fish habitat and restoration techniques. During the seminar, approximately 50 feet of impacted fish habitat was restored using bio-engineered techniques, including brush techniques similar to the North Fork of Deep Creek project discussed above. In addition, two 24-foot by 8-foot elevated gratewalks were installed as stairways to the riverbed to help protect the willow regrowth.

Unnamed stream in former timber tract 3
A pinched culvert over a spawning stream was replaced by the Kenai Watershed Forum with a larger diameter culvert. As part of the project, the road members were strengthened for the road into the Cook Inlet Tribal Youth Camp.

CIRI contractor and shareholder Dean Kvasnikoff of Alaska Native Resource Consultants oversaw and provided logistical support and technical knowledge to the projects. Dean enjoys the field work and says, “it’s peace of mind knowing that we are leaving the area in better shape for our future CIRI shareholders.”

Unfortunately, the North Fork of Deep Creek project did experience some damage due to trespass ATV (all terrain vehicle) use. Hopefully, getting the word out about these efforts to protect our resources will discourage trespassing and the actions that undo the hard work of those who have participated in these restoration activities.

Although these particular projects are in the Kenai Peninsula area, CIRI also evaluates and manages CIRI land elsewhere for future CIRI shareholder generations. For further information, please contact Cindi Bettin, CIRI’s land administrator, at (907) 263-5140 or by e-mail at cbettin@ciri.com.
Help CIRI update shareholder addresses

CIRI strives to ensure correspondence, reports, newsletters and dividends reach shareholders in a timely manner. It is important for shareholders to notify CIRI Shareholder Relations and the U.S. Postal Service of all address changes. The following CIRI shareholders do not have a current mailing address on record with the shareholder relations department, and should fill out the change of address form in this newsletter, at CIRI’s offices, or download it at www.ciri.com/content/shareholders/change.aspx for address change information and forms.

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Elliott, Sarah Lynn

Shavings, Jacob Anderson

Askay, Egan Hugh

Beach, Alton Lee III

Belardi, Leticia S

Borman, Franklin Don

Boyle, Kenneth Lawrence

Bright, Steven Patrick

Brown, Tanya Te Attarose

Carroll, Florence

Carroll, Theresa Claire

Chapman, Oliver Wendell

Cleveland-Baker, Ruth Lorraine

Cook, Tiftord Don

Davis, Anita Jewell

Donaldson, Jason Columbus

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Allen, Thor Amos

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Anasogak, Wayne Bert

Almon, Kristy Ann

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Alexander, Darren Bradley

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Anchorage high school graduate

CIRI shareholder Jennifer Alyssa Morgan Mitchell graduated from Bartlett High School in Anchorage on May 12. She graduated in the top ten percent of her class. Jennifer will be attending the University of Alaska Anchorage and is the recipient of a UAA Scholars Award. She plans to pursue an associate of applied science degree in medical assisting, with the long-term goal of acceptance into the nursing program. Jennifer is the daughter of CIRI shareholder Karen Melinda Morgan and the grand-daughter of CIRI shareholder Patricia Bunyan.

Alaska university graduate

CIRI shareholder Karen Melinda Morgan graduated magna cum laude from Alaska Pacific University on April 25 with a bachelor’s degree in health services administration. Her senior project, an instructor manual for a children’s grief camp (Camp Coho, targeting children who have had a loved one die from cancer), was selected as an APU Senior Projects of Distinction and will be housed in the UAA/APU Consortium Library. Karen is the mother of Jennifer Morgan Mitchell, and the daughter of CIRI shareholder, Patricia Bunyan.

In Touch with shareholders

Baby Lexi

CIRI descendant Rita E.S. Dixon and Drussila L. Underwood-Dixon are proud to announce the arrival of Lexi Drussila Lynn Dixon. Lexi was born Feb. 17 in Warrenton, Va., weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces and 19 1/2 inches long. She is the granddaughter of CIRI shareholder Laura and Vinceuben of Anchorage.

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Baby Sabrina

CIRI shareholder Amanda and Jeremiah Throckmorton are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Sabrina Lee Throckmorton. Sabrina was born April 27 at 12:30 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 inches long. She joins her sister Alexandria Jade. Baby Sabrina’s proud grandparents are CIRI shareholder Terry and Lisa Simon of Palmer and great-grandmother Arlene Kurtti of Anchorage.

Babies Kylie and Gage

CIRI shareholder Dale and Brenda Woodhead are proud to announce the arrival of their grandchildren, Kylie Renee and Gage Wyatt Woodhead. Kylie and Gage were born Sept. 5 at Alaska Regional Hospital in Anchorage. Kylie weighed 3 pounds, 5 ounces and was 15 3/4 inches long. Gage was 3 pounds, 13 ounces and was 17 inches long. Their parents are Shawn Woodhead and Sarah Haller.

E-mail info@ciri.com or call (907) 263-5146 to submit your shareholder-owned business information.
Condolences

Peter Allowan, 78
Peter Allowan died July 29 at St. Elias Specialty Hospital in Anchorage. Mr. Allowan was born Sept. 12, 1930, in Susitna Station, Alaska. He was a member and starista of the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church in Tyonek. His family remembered, “When Peter was younger, he always helped his family with hunting, fishing or just if you needed a ride somewhere. He loved going for walks on the beach. He loved working at the church in Tyonek, cleaning, painting, receiving payment of candles and putting up candles. He was devoted to his family and church.” He is survived by his sisters, Tania Bismark, Sophia Chuit and Nora McCord and numerous nieces and nephews.

Kenneth Clayton Bahr, 70
Kenneth Clayton “Kenny” Bahr died April 27 in Anchorage. Mr. Bahr was born Sept. 2, 1938, in Unalakleet, Alaska to Ole Bahr and Betty (Bahr) Taylor. He was raised in Unalakleet, Anchorage and Seward. He was in the Air National Guard and retired as an electrician and a member of IBEW 1547. He is survived by his brothers, George and Harold Bahr; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Tania Tatiana Green, 78
Tania Tatiana (Dolchok) Green died recently in Anchorage. Ms. Green was born Jan. 1, 1931, in the small village of Kenai, Alaska, to Andrew and Polly Dolchok. Those formative years of living on the beach in summer while the family maintained subsistence fishing, and winters in the woods during hunting season, influenced her strong beliefs in God, in nature and in goodness found in everything. Tania was a member of the Kenaitze Indian Tribe. She is survived by her daughter, Cynthia Green; daughter and son-in-law, Janet and Steven Mehring; son, William G. Green and his partner, Heriberto Garcia; daughter-in-law, Susan Green; brother and sister-in-law, Maxim and Elizabeth Dolchok, eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Beverly Mae Kuckens, 74
Beverly Mae Kuckens died July 18 at home in Anchorage. Ms. Kuckens was born in Wainwright, Alaska. She is survived by her daughters, Darlene Aveoganna and Marlene Gabrielsen; son, Roy Harding Katairoak; sisters, Marylyn Driggs, Lillian Kimbell and Millie Newmeyer; and brothers, Abraham, Charles, Jacob, and John Peter Kagak.

Robert Alexander Lee Jr., 66
Robert Alexander Lee Jr. died June 4 at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Mr. Lee was born April 1, 1943, in Noatak, Alaska. He is survived by his daughters, Donna Marie Lee, Karla Mae Lee and Roberta Mae Lee; and son, Robert Stacey Lee III.

John Oohie Okie Jr., 68
John Oohie Okie Jr. died July 18 in Nome, Alaska. Mr. Okie was born in Shishmaref, Alaska. He is survived by his sister, Kassie Driggs.

Robert Victor Standifer-Bernhardt, 33
Robert Victor Standifer-Bernhardt died Jan. 1 in Seattle, Wash. Mr. Standifer-Bernhardt was born Nov. 17, 1975, in Anchorage. His family remembered, “Robert had a kind heart and was always willing to be there for anyone. To his childhood friends and to his aunts he was known affectionately as “Pickle,” and will be missed by all those who knew him.” He is survived by his parents, John Standifer, Jennie (Beck) McCammon and Ernie Bernhardt Jr.; sisters, Natasha Bernhardt, Nicole Bernhardt, Crystal Jackson, Treasa Keith and Ann Marie Stephon; brothers, J. R. Anderson and Mark Friday II; grandmother, Laurne Jones; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Alvin L. Tague Jr., 44
Alvin L. Tague Jr. died Aug. 3 in San Francisco, Calif. Mr. Tague was born May 4, 1965, in Kodiak, Alaska. He is survived by his mother, Clara L. Kosbruk; sisters, Leora A. Shangin and Leona A. Tague; brothers, Frank and John Tague; aunt Ronnie and uncle Bruce; uncle “Jr.” and aunt Alva; and cousins.

Nathaniel P. Williams, 47
Nathaniel P. Williams died May 5 at Mat-Su Regional Hospital in Wasilla. Mr. Williams was born in Tanana, Alaska. He enjoyed camping, setnet fishing, biking, sightseeing and walking his dogs. He is survived by his sister, Larina A. Newhall; nieces, Jessica Andrews and Jennifer L. Newhall; and nephew, Alec J. Newhall.

Condolesences
Richard Iyle Baldwin, 78
Mary Bruns, 59
Laura Ann Hahn, 48
Rita Agnes Kamerooff, 90