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MEMORANDUM FOR: MAJOR GENERAL FRANK A. ALLEN, JR., ARMY MEMBER  
PERMANENT JOINT BOARD ON DEFENSE, CANADA - UNITED STATES

SUBJECT: Haines-Fairbanks Pipeline Project

In compliance with your memorandum dated 16 March 1954, subject as above, the requested data on the status of construction of the Haines-Fairbanks pipeline is inclosed. Similar reports will be furnished monthly for your information.

FOR THE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS:

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1 Incl (trip)  
Status of Alaska  
Pipeline Project

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MCD reading files (3) ✓  
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RECORD: Data from NPAVH-G 1635 dated 24 March. Col Graling X53607 says this letter satisfies his requirements too.

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STATUS OF ALASKA PIPELINE PROJECT

1. Considerable procurement has been initiated and some prefabrication accomplished to date.

2. Clearing crews are operating from bases at Fairbanks, Birch Lake, Halfway House, and Cathedral Bluffs in Alaska and have completed clearing of approximately 94 miles of right-of-way.

3. Three clearing crews are operating in Canada, one at White River and two are working north and south from Burwash Landing at Klunane Lake. To date 28 miles of right-of-way have been cleared in Canada.

4. At Pump Station No. 1 clearing has made 50% progress. It has been delayed because of snow and frozen ground. Tank construction at this station is scheduled to start early in May.

5. At Pump Station Nos. 2, 2A, 2B and 3 no progress has been made to date.

6. The pipe delivery status follows:

a. British production: The first shipment containing 5931 tons of British pipe will complete unloading at Valdez on 18 April 1954. The second shipment (tonnage not available) is scheduled to sail from Glasgow 1 April for discharge at Haines, Alaska. Total British procurement 20,428 tons.

b. 44 trucks are currently hauling pipe from Valdez to Tok Junction with 1440 tons hauled to date.

c. U. S. Production: One ship is now unloading U. S. produced pipe in the amount of 2670 tons at Valdez, one ship carrying 3400 tons U. S. pipe left New Orleans 25 March 1954 for Valdez discharge. Total U. S. procurement of pipe to date 32,432 tons.

7. The ship now unloading pipe at Valdez is also unloading pipe laying equipment. The itemized listing of ditching and pipe laying equipment is not available but understood to include requirement for one spread at Fairbanks and one in Canada. More accurate data on laying spreads will be included in subsequent reports.

8. It can be expected that during 30 to 40 days beginning 1 April drastic curtailment of Highway travel because of spring breakup will slow the delivery rate of pipe and pipe equipment from ports of entry to work sites.

9. The contractor is currently working on camp construction in the vicinity of Station No. 3.

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10. It is anticipated that progress as of 1 June 1954 will show the following:

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| a. Clearing                   | 100%                        |
| b. Ditching                   | 0%                          |
| c. Line pipe laying & welding | 12%                         |
| d. Tanks at all stations      | 8%                          |
| e. Wharf at Haines            | 20%                         |
| f. Pipe delivery              | 60% - of total requirement. |