



## PRESS RELEASE

Communications Director  
E. Colleen Bryan  
ebryan@aidea.org  
(907) 771-3024

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 22, 2021

### **Dave Heimke Joins AIDEA as Chief Operating Officer**

(Anchorage) – The Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority (AIDEA) is pleased to welcome long-time Alaskan **Dave Heimke** as Chief Operating Officer.

“We’re very excited to have Dave on board,” said **AIDEA Executive Director Alan Weitzner**. “His extensive experience with infrastructure development planning and operational improvement within Alaska makes him a key addition to our leadership team as we grow our programs for Alaskans.”

Before joining AIDEA, Dave served as the Executive Vice President of Risk and Engineering at Alyeska Pipeline Services Company and was with the company for more than 10 years. He first came to Alaska in 1985 after working at scientific research stations in Antarctica. Throughout the years, Dave has managed numerous remote Alaska infrastructure development and improvement projects and has also served various technical and operational roles in project management, engineering, and consulting. He holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

As Chief Operating Officer, Dave is responsible for leveraging AIDEA programs to foster public and private investments for Alaska projects and to ensure effective internal communications, planning, management, and operations in fulfilling AIDEA’s mission for job growth and economic opportunity for all Alaskans.

The Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority is a public corporation of the state. AIDEA’s purpose is to promote, develop and advance the general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of Alaska. Since 1967, AIDEA has been responsible for directing more than \$3 billion in economic development in Alaska and has declared \$439.7 million in dividends to Alaska since 1997.

###