

## **Doyon, Limited names Sharon McConnell, VP of Communications**

**Fairbanks, AK (For Immediate Release) October 7, 2008** – Sharon McConnell has been selected as Doyon, Limited's Vice President of Communications. She will begin her new position October 20, 2008.

Doyon President and CEO, Norm Phillips, Jr. said, "As Doyon grows and expands, someone with Sharon McConnell's leadership and communication skills are essential for Doyon. She is respected and trusted by Doyon shareholders, employees, business partners, and the public. We are very pleased she accepted this new challenge."

A Doyon shareholder, Ms. McConnell is Inupiaq from the village of Evansville and currently serves as the Executive Director of Doyon Foundation. "I look forward to the opportunities my new position will present to provide information about Doyon as a growing company that has a major impact on the economies of our region and state."

Ms. McConnell brings over three decades of experience in the communications field. She is widely known throughout the state for her television and radio reporting and anchoring.

From 1994 to 2002, Ms. McConnell was co-owner of Blueberry Productions; one of the few Native owned multi-media production companies in Alaska. Her television work has been shown nationally on PBS and she has the distinction of being the first person to host a live national radio talk show from Alaska; the "Wellness Edition" of Native America Calling".

Since 1991 she has anchored the annual statewide television broadcast coverage of the Alaska Federation of Natives Convention.

Doyon, Limited headquartered in Fairbanks, Alaska, is one of the 13 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act regional corporations. Its mission is to continually enhance its position as a financially strong Native corporation in order to promote the economic and social wellbeing of its shareholders and future shareholders, to strengthen its Native way of life and to protect and enhance its land and resources. The corporation has more than 16,000 shareholders and is one of the largest private landowners in North America.

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