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Dear Mr. Trefon:

Your uncle, Albert Wassillie Sr., did an oral history interview with Priscilla Russell on July 19, 1985. This interview has been added to the University of Alaska's Oral History Collection at the Elmer E. Rasmuson Library in Fairbanks. We make our collections available to the public for educational, research and scholarly uses. Based on the release form you signed on behalf of your uncle, it is our assumption that this recording is for the public and should be made available in a most general way. However, we wanted to tell you about an exciting new way the tape is being utilized and make sure this is agreeable to you.

For the last couple of years the Oral History Program has been creating an interactive computer program about the Lake Clark area using oral history recordings, photographs and maps. Called Project Jukebox, this has been funded by the National Park Service. The program allows someone to learn about Lake Clark, its history, and its importance by listening to what local people have to say. Albert Wassillie Sr.'s oral history interview is included in this program and is a valuable contribution to understanding the region. There is potential that this program could be put on the Internet in the future, where folks from across Alaska and perhaps the world, could access it. Although this has not happened yet, we want to make sure you are aware of and comfortable with this possibility.

If any of the above assumptions about publically using this recording in the Lake Clark Project Jukebox are incorrect, please let me know immediately in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Or you can call me or William Schneider, the Curator of Oral History, at (907) 474-6672. We hope to present the finished program to the Lake Clark region in the next few months. Thank you for participating in this project.

Sincerely,

Karen Brewster,
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