



## **Yukon Quest Receives Major Sponsorship Support from the Alaska Pipeline Project**

**February 16, 2010 (Fairbanks, Alaska // Whitehorse, Yukon)** - Yukon Quest is proud to announce that the Alaska Pipeline Project is a major sponsor of the Yukon Quest International Sled Dog Race; an internationally renowned event that connects historic and traditional travel routes between several communities in Alaska and the Yukon to create a 1,000-mile adventure for participating mushers and attracts fans from around the world.

“The Alaska Pipeline Project is a great partner and sponsor,” says Wendy Morrison, Executive Director of the Yukon Quest International Association (Canada). “They have been investing in the North for quite some time. Their support as a major sponsor shows their dedication to this race, which is an integral part of communities in Alaska and Yukon.”

“The Alaska Pipeline Project believes in investing in the communities where we live and work,” shared Tony Palmer, vice-president of Alaska Development for the Alaska Pipeline Project. “As the only international marathon sled dog race in the world, the Yukon Quest is a unique event that highlights the cooperation, friendship and shared values of residents in the Yukon and Alaska. We are extremely proud to sponsor this event and showcase northern culture, tradition and character across North America.”

Twenty-four dog teams started the 2010 Yukon Quest on February 6, 2010 in Fairbanks, Alaska, and will travel 10-14 days and cover 1,000 miles of wilderness trail to Whitehorse, Yukon.

The Alaska Pipeline Project, a joint effort between TransCanada Corporation (TransCanada) and Exxon Mobil Corporation, is proposing to build and operate a pipeline system that will make possible the development of Alaska’s vast North Slope natural gas resources, helping sustain Alaska’s, Canada’s and the U.S. economies and providing a reliable, clean supply of domestic energy for the State of Alaska and North America.

For more information on the Yukon Quest, visit: [www.yukonquest.com](http://www.yukonquest.com)

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