ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. Presents Blood Bank of Alaska with Second Million Dollar Donation

Anchorage, AK – ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. ("ConocoPhillips") has furthered their commitment to support the new Blood Bank of Alaska facility project currently under construction with a second $1 million donation. This brings the current total contribution of ConocoPhillips to $2 million.

“Blood Bank of Alaska is deeply honored to have the support of an organization such as ConocoPhillips. Their dedication to our community and to the state of Alaska is helping to provide a better blood bank facility for patients in need,” noted Bob Scanlon, CEO of Blood Bank of Alaska.

It is estimated that one out of every three Alaskans, or one of their close family members, will require the services of Blood Bank of Alaska at one point in their lives. This new facility will ensure that all of the services are available at any time, under any circumstance, to all Alaskans statewide. ConocoPhillips also supports Blood Bank of Alaska by hosting numerous blood drives at its workplace, and employees have provided more than 1,200 units of life-saving blood with the potential to help as many as 3,500 Alaska patients in need.

“We are pleased to be able to provide this second million dollar donation to the Blood Bank,” said Joe Marushack, president of ConocoPhillips Alaska. “The services provided by the BBA from this new building will help people throughout our state and save lives. We are proud to support this organization.”

The blood collected at Blood Bank of Alaska helps patients impacted by trauma, heart surgery, cancer treatment, child birth and more. There is no substitute for blood. A car accident victim can need 50 units of blood to recover from their injuries and some cancer patients need eight units a week during treatment. The facility will bring new opportunities to diversify services and expand care for Alaska patients. The building will include an expanded 12,400 square foot laboratory space, which is positioned to serve as a reference lab and will increase the capacity for the cellular therapy division of Blood Bank of Alaska. The project construction is scheduled to be completed in October 2015 and open for service in January 2016. Blood Bank of Alaska is currently seeking additional funding through private funds to complete the project. Individual
About the Blood Bank Building
The new building project first became an initiative for Blood Bank of Alaska in 2008 when an infrastructure analysis of the current headquarters located at 4000 Laurel Street in Anchorage found that it was operating beyond capacity and not sustainable. As a vital part of the health care system for the state, Blood Bank of Alaska is a strategic part of Alaska’s emergency response infrastructure. It works actively with other Alaska emergency preparedness entities to ensure a safe blood supply in the event of a natural disaster or a man-made emergency. For more than fifty years we have provided blood to Alaskans during earthquakes, volcanic eruptions and normal daily incidents that may require blood, even during air transportation interruptions. The Blood Bank of Alaska relies on the generosity of volunteer blood donors and community members to provide life-saving blood for patients in their time of need. The Blood Bank of Alaska is currently in the midst of a $6.4 million capital campaign to provide the philanthropic support needed for the project while the State of Alaska has already provided tremendous support in funding this critical facility for the people of Alaska.

About Blood Bank of Alaska, Inc.
Since 1962, Blood Bank of Alaska has provided blood and blood products to hospitals across the state of Alaska. Blood Bank of Alaska’s 100 staff operate out of three centers located in Fairbanks and Anchorage and host hundreds of mobile drives around the state. Blood Bank of Alaska and its donors are dedicated to providing high quality blood products and related laboratory services while meeting changing healthcare needs. Blood Bank of Alaska currently services 21 hospitals across the state, including all military hospitals and Alaska Native hospitals.

About ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.
ConocoPhillips has been leading the search for energy in Alaska for more than 50 years. We are committed to responsibly developing Alaska’s resources, providing economic opportunity for Alaskans, operating at the highest safety standards and being good stewards of our community. For more information, visit www.conocophillipsalaska.com.

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