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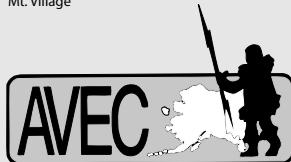
Robert L. Beans Sr.,  
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**Communities Served**

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|----------------|-----------------|
| Alakanuk       | New Stuyahok    |
| Ambler         | Nightmute       |
| Andreafsky     | Noatak          |
| Anvik          | Noorvik         |
| Brevig Mission | Nulato          |
| Chevak         | Nunapitchuk     |
| Eek            | Old Harbor      |
| Ekwok          | Pilot Station   |
| Elim           | Pitkas Point    |
| Emmonak        | Quinhagak       |
| Gambell        | Russian Mission |
| Goodnews Bay   | St. Mary's      |
| Grayling       | St. Michael     |
| Holy Cross     | Savoonga        |
| Hooper Bay     | Scammon Bay     |
| Huslia         | Selawik         |
| Kaltag         | Shageluk        |
| Kasigluk       | Shaktoolik      |
| Kiana          | Shishmaref      |
| Kivalina       | Shungnak        |
| Kobuk          | Stebbins        |
| Kotlik         | Teller          |
| Koyuk          | Togiak          |
| Lower Kalskag  | Toksook Bay     |
| Marshall       | Tununak         |
| Mekoryuk       | Upper Kalskag   |
| Minto          | Wales           |
| Mt. Village    |                 |



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## Bon Voyage, Bob Dreeszen!

Almost everyone knows Bob Dreeszen. Nobody working at AVEC today was here when he first came to work for us back in September 1975. But I would like to take you on a walk down memory lane to see what was happening when Bob joined us.

Almost 40 years ago, AVEC had served rural Alaska for five years. We were already up to 48 villages (one of which we no longer serve) with about 2,800 services. Today we serve more than 8,000 meters in 55 villages.

In 1975, we sold about 11 million kilowatt-hours, our total revenue was \$2.8 million—about \$1 million of that was for fuel—and our assets totaled \$11.5 million. Last year, we sold 76 million kWh, our total revenue was \$43 million and our total assets were \$116 million. Our fuel bill in 2013 was more than \$22 million.

And the most interesting change? The cost of fuel delivered in 1975 was 58 cents a gallon. Last year, it was \$4.08. Back then we sold only about 6 kWh for each gallon of diesel burned—we now sell 12.5 kWh per gallon

We've come a long way, and Bob was a huge part of making those changes happen. He has been a fixture for so long that most of us can't imagine AVEC without Bob. You could absolutely rely upon him to be there—wherever the need was greatest. When I travel in the villages, I hear the most compliments about Bob.

On January 16, Bob worked his last day at AVEC. If he had not had a flight out at midnight to start his Australian cruise, I'm sure he would have been there all night.

We will all miss him tremendously, but we also wish him the very best in retirement!

Until next time,

**Meera Kohler**  
President and CEO



**Above, Bob Dreeszen when he started at AVEC 40 years ago. Below, Bob now.**

