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**ACPE Approves VTRC Distance Education Courses
and CDL Class A Training Expansion**

On Thursday, July 25, 2013 the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE) approved the Vocational Training & Resource Center's (VTRC) 39 distance education courses and the expansion of its Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Class A training in Ketchikan and Prince of Wales Island (POW). All distance education and CDL Class A courses are open to the public.

The VTRC is a State of Alaska authorized post-secondary institution, owned by the Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, that provides training and career advancement opportunities through high quality academic, computer, and vocational education.

Providing CDL Class A training in Ketchikan and POW is made possible through the VTRC's partnership with the Ketchikan Indian Community (KIC) and Shaan Seet, Inc. The six-week (148 hours) CDL training course provides an intensive one-on-one approach designed for inexperienced drivers interested in learning how to drive a tractor trailer, obtain a Commercial Instruction Permit, and maximize their successful attainment of a Class A Commercial Driver's License.

In cooperation with Penn Foster, a national distance education company, the VTRC's distance education courses provide an opportunity for students to earn real credentials (certificates, high school diplomas, and national certifications).

For more information on how to enroll in a course through the Vocational Training & Resource Center, visit their website at www.vtrc.org or call 907.463.7375.

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