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A move to provide better governmental services to Alaska Natives by the Bureau of Indian Affairs begins on September 24, 1979. Assistant Secretary of Interior for Indian Affairs Forrest Gerard today announced that Price, Waterhouse and Company, a well-known consulting and accounting/firm with Alaska experience, will review the BIA area office in Juneau.

The study is part of Gerard's management improvement program to streamline and restructure the Bureau offices to serve Indian people in an effective and efficient manner.

The Price, Waterhouse team will study the organization of the office, staffing patterns and check the location of the offices with the goal of improvement of the organization.

The study is expected to be completed for review by Alaska Natives in January, 1980. After a 30-day review period, comments will be incorporated into the final report.

The contract for the study was awarded to Price, Waterhouse and Company through a competitive bidding process. The Company was one of nine firms to respond to the BIA's request for a proposal.