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FIRST TO UNALAKLEET

KING EARNS WELLS FARGO BANK ALASKA GOLD COAST AWARD!!!

NOME, ALASKA -March 12, 2006 - Three time Iditarod Champion Jeff King is the first to arrive at the Gold Coast community of Unalakleet. King (Bib # 30) arrived in Unalakleet this afternoon at 12:26 (March 12, 2006) with 13 dogs.

The distinction of being the first to make it to the Norton Sound netted King the Wells Fargo Gold Coast Award. King made the 90-mile stretch of trail from Kaltag in 12 hours and 5 minutes.

Jennifer Imus, Wells Fargo Community Banking President for Nome and Kotzebue, was on hand to present King with \$2,500 in gold as well as the "Gold Coast" trophy.

Unalakleet is strategically located on the coast of Norton Sound, just north of the Unalakleet River. Only 261 miles of trail lie between King and the Burled Arch of Nome.

The award will be re-presented to King in Nome on Sunday, March 19th, during the Iditarod Awards Banquet.