

**From:** Theresa Peterson [<mailto:theresa@akmarine.org>]

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**To:** Rep. Steve Thompson

**Subject:** Board of Fish appt.

Hi,

My name is Theresa Peterson and I am a long time commercial fisher in Kodiak and a member of a fishing family. I work part time for Alaska Marine Conservation Council (AMCC) as Kodiak Outreach coordinator as an advocate for maintaining entry level fishing opportunity in our coastal fishing communities. AMCC advances conservation solutions that address the interdependence between healthy marine ecosystems, strong local economies and coastal traditions. Our community based approach includes outreach, grassroots, advocacy, public process, research and education. In addition, I serve on the advisory panel to the North Pacific Fishery Management Council again as an advocate for maintaining working waterfront and sustainable fishing practices.

I fully support Susan Jeffery to serve on the Board of Fish. Sue has been engaged in fisheries issue within our community of Kodiak for many years and is very open minded. She has the commitment and understanding to track complex fisheries issues and the background to address comprehensive issues. I believe she would be an asset to the State vision to maintain active participation in our fisheries and keep opportunity for future fishers.

Sincerely,

Theresa Peterson  
F/V Patricia Sue